When to Re-test for COVID-19

Have you tested negative with a self-test even though you have COVID-19 symptoms?

Sometimes antigen tests can be negative even if you have COVID. So, it is important to follow isolation recommendations and test again 24 to 48 hours later.

Important Note: Persons who are over age 50 OR who have a medical condition OR who are not up-to-date on COVID vaccinations should consider PCR testing if antigen testing is negative. PCR tests are more likely to detect infection early, so you’ll know sooner that you’re positive and can get treated.

5 TIPS TO KEEP LOVED ONES SAFE:

- TEST EARLY (AS SOON AS YOU NOTICE SYMPTOMS)
- Re-test if results are negative and you have symptoms
- Stay home and isolate when sick, if possible
- Wear a high-quality, well-fitting mask around others, especially if you are sick or have been exposed to someone with COVID-19
- If you test positive, call your health care provider or urgent care center to receive treatment. If you do not have a provider, call 833-686-5051 (6:00 AM – 5:00 PM, 7 days a week) or make an online appointment at sesamecare.com/covidca

For more information about COVID-19, call the Community Support Line at 510-268-2101