

GETTING A TEST FOR CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19):

(26TH MARCH)

1. YOU NEED TO HAVE TWO COVID-19 SYMPTOMS: A FEVER/CHILLS AND A COUGH/BREATHING PROBLEMS
2. CALL YOUR GP TO DISCUSS YOUR SYMPTOMS AND MEDICAL HISTORY (DO NOT GO DIRECTLY TO TESTING CENTRE, GP OR HOSPITAL)
3. IF POSSIBLE, ISOLATE YOURSELF IN ONE ROOM AND KEEP AWAY FROM OTHER PEOPLE- IF YOU CAN'T ISOLATE YOURSELF, PLEASE CALL TVG HEALTH WORKERS FOR HELP WITH THIS ISSUE!
4. IF YOUR CONDITION GETS WORSE WHILE YOU WAIT AT HOME FOR TEST, CALL YOUR GP AGAIN OR 112 OR 999.
5. WAIT FOR SMS/TEXT MESSAGE WITH YOUR TEST APPOINTMENT (CAN TAKE UP TO 7 DAYS)
6. WHEN YOU HAVE GOT YOUR TEST DETAILS BY SMS, GO TO THE TESTING CENTRE AND BRING YOUR TEST REFERENCE NUMBER. IF YOU CAN'T DRIVE YOURSELF TO THE TESTING CENTRE, PLEASE CALL YOUR TVG HEALTH WORKERS FOR HELP WITH THIS.
7. FOLLOW ALL INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN TO YOU BY MEDICAL STAFF AT TESTING CENTRE. YOUR TEST RESULTS WILL BE SENT TO YOU BY TEXT OR PHONE CALL WITHIN ABOUT 7 DAYS.
8. MOST PEOPLE WITH CORONAVIRUS ARE TREATED FOR IT AT HOME. ONLY VERY SICK PEOPLE, OLDER PEOPLE, PREGNANT WOMEN AND PEOPLE WITH A SERIOUS HEART OR RESPIRATORY CONDITION WILL BE GOING TO HOSPITAL.
9. STAY SAFE! CONTACT TVG WORKERS IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS OR NEED MORE INFORMATION.

The HSE Covid-19 website gets new information everyday, check it out! <https://www2.hse.ie/coronavirus/>