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COVID-19 Testing Protocol

Off-Campus COVID-19 Testing

Because individuals may obtain required PCR tests at no charge on-campus, if a student, faculty or staff member chooses to comply with DU's testing requirements through testing off campus either with a PCR or home test, the individual is responsible for any co-pay or other out-of-pocket expense associated with such testing.

The individual must upload results from a laboratory-based PCR test to their MyHealth account according to their required testing schedule. To keep campus access current, please allow time to obtain results from external PCR tests and for uploaded records to be reviewed.

At-home Tests

DU will accept COVID-19 home tests as proof of a positive test if the individual (1) uploads an image of the positive result to their MyHealth account within 48 hours of the positive test; and (2) takes a PCR test at the DU Care Pod within three days of testing positive with the home test. If an individual complies with these requirements, their isolation period will begin on the date of the positive home test.

DU's contact tracing team will identify and inform DU community members of their required testing dates via a secure message to the individual's MyHealth account.

DU community members who test positive for COVID-19 through an off-campus test should report this immediately to reportCOVID@du.edu or via phone or text at 303-871-COVD (2683) and begin isolation immediately. For specific information regarding the requirements for isolation, please refer to the COVID-19 Isolation protocol.

Contact Tracing

During periods in which DU determines that, based on the positivity rate on campus, the most effective strategy for containment requires that the contact tracers devote more resources to increased testing and notification and isolation of DU community members who have positive test results, the team may temporarily suspend various aspects of contact tracing in favor of more frequent testing of DU community members.