

IMPORTANT THINGS TO NOTE

If you are asymptomatic

- In order to ensure that symptomatic patients receive adequate care, please DO NOT contact or visit hospitals directly.
- Antigen test kits are for symptomatic individuals. The kit may yield negative results for asymptomatic people even if they have been infected with the virus.

If you are symptomatic

- In order to prevent an outbreak from occurring in a hospital, please contact the hospital by telephone to receive specific instructions before visiting the facility.
- When making your way to the hospital, wear a mask and avoid taking public transportation.
- If the doctor determines that you require testing, you will not be charged a fee for the test. However, you must bear the expenses for all other examinations.

If you use an antigen test kit

- There are two types of test kit: those for "research use" and those categorized as "extracorporeal diagnostic medicines."
- Kits that are for "research use" are not authorized by the national government and therefore cannot be used to determine whether an individual is infected with COVID-19. Please ensure that you purchase kits that are categorized as "extracorporeal diagnostic medicines."
- If you test positive using an antigen test kit, you **must** consult with your primary physician, an outpatient fever clinic or the Okinawa Prefectural Call Centre. When you receive a medical examination, **make sure** that you tell the hospital about your test result.
- If you test negative but continue to experience symptoms, please consult with a physician.

While you wait for your test results

- Stay home and refrain from any unnecessary outings until you receive your test results. Additionally, limit contact with others including your family.
- If you must go out, wear a mask, wash and disinfect your hands, and avoid taking public transportation.