

## Maximizing efficient, high quality COVID-19 screenings

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Identifying the most appropriate COVID-19 testing codes, testing sites and type of test to use can be confusing. The guidance below can make it easier for you to refer your patients to high-quality, lower-cost COVID-19 testing sites, find Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield (Anthem)-contracted laboratories and identify the proper CPT<sup>®</sup> codes to use. Contact your Anthem representative for additional information or visit <https://www.anthem.com/medicareprovider>.

Refer patients to <https://www.anthem.com/coronavirus> to find convenient testing locations. If an Anthem member requests a COVID-19 test, you may refer them to Anthem to find a testing location near them. Our test-site finder gives members important information about each site, including days and hours of operation, and if they offer:

- Appointment or walk-in
- Drive through service
- Rapid test results
- Antibody testing
- Testing for children

Consider Antigen testing as an option when rapid results are needed. Antigen tests can be a quicker way to detect COVID-19 than nucleic acid amplification tests (NAAT), (for example, PCR). Antigen tests offer a reasonable and lower cost alternative when screening asymptomatic or low-risk patients and may be most useful for individuals within the first five to seven days of symptoms when virus replication is at its highest.

Send swab tests to Anthem-contracted laboratories

When providing COVID-19 molecular testing services to our members, consider utilizing the following additional in-network, high-quality labs to assist in helping to ensure that our members are receiving high-value healthcare.

In-network lab	Telephone	Website
Eurofins NTD	1-888-683-5227	<a href="https://www.ntd-eurofins.com">https://www.ntd-eurofins.com</a>
Eurofins Viracor	1-800-305-5198	<a href="https://www.viracor-eurofins.com/test-menu/8300-coronavirus-covid-19-sars-cov-2-rt-pcr">https://www.viracor-eurofins.com/test-menu/8300-coronavirus-covid-19-sars-cov-2-rt-pcr</a>
Eurofins Boston Heart	1-877-425-1252	<a href="https://bostonheartdiagnostics.com">https://bostonheartdiagnostics.com</a>
Fulgent Therapeutics	626-350-0537	<a href="https://www.fulgentgenetics.com/covid19">https://www.fulgentgenetics.com/covid19</a>
Invitae Corporation	650-466-7242	<a href="https://www.invitae.com/en/partners">https://www.invitae.com/en/partners</a>
Gravity Diagnostics	855-841-7111	<a href="https://gravitydiagnostics.com/covid-19-coronavirus-testing-partners">https://gravitydiagnostics.com/covid-19-coronavirus-testing-partners</a>
Mako Medical Laboratories	1-919-351-6256	<a href="https://makomedical.com">https://makomedical.com</a>

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