



I Feel Sick

I feel sick so _____ called my doctor.
(who)

My doctor told _____ I need a coronavirus test.
(who)

I will have a coronavirus test to help my doctor take care of me.

I am getting a coronavirus test _____.
(when)

I will be getting a coronavirus test at a medical clinic at

(where)

_____ will go with me.
(who)



Getting a Coronavirus Test

First, I go to _____ for my coronavirus test.
(where)

Then, I tell them “I am here for a coronavirus test.”

Then, they give me a mask and tell me to put it on over my nose and mouth.

The other people at the clinic will be wearing masks too.

The mask keeps me and the other people from sharing germs.



Then, they tell me where to sit to wait.

I wait until it is my turn.

It is my turn when a nurse calls my name.

I Meet the Nurse

First, a nurse calls my name.

The nurse will have on a special mask, gown and gloves.

The special mask, gown and gloves will keep us from sharing germs.



First, I walk with the nurse into the test room.

Then, the nurse will tell me where to sit down.

Then, the nurse will:

1. Wrap a cuff around my arm to measure my blood pressure.



2. Put a thermometer on my forehead to take my temperature.



3. Put a clip on my finger to measure my oxygen level.



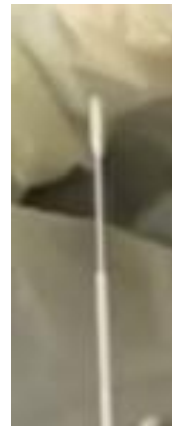
4. Use a stethoscope on my chest and back to listen to my breathing.



Things Used for the Coronavirus Test

The nurse will show me the things she will use to do the coronavirus test.

These things are a cotton swab that is longer than a Q-tip and a tube.



A Coronavirus Nose Test

The nurse will do a coronavirus test by putting the cotton swab into my nose.

The swab will get mucus from the back of my nose.

I will help the nurse by keeping my head very still and my arms to my sides.



First, in one side.



Then, in the other side.



It will feel weird. I might feel like I need to sneeze. This feeling will go away in a few seconds.

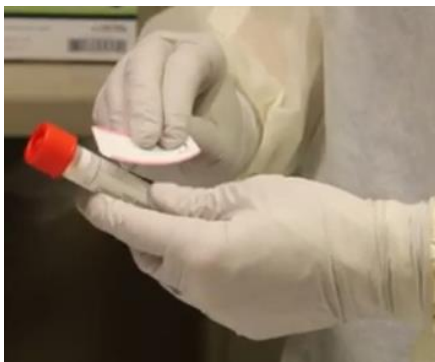
Then, the nurse takes the swab out of my nose.



Then, the nurse puts the swab into the tube and puts the cap on the tube.



Then, the nurse puts a sticker with my name on the tube.



I am finished with my coronavirus nose test.

Getting a Coronavirus Throat Test

The nurse might also need to do a second coronavirus test using a swab to get mucus from the back of my throat.



First, I open my mouth wide and stick out my tongue.



Then, the nurse rubs the tip of the swab on the back of my throat for a few seconds.

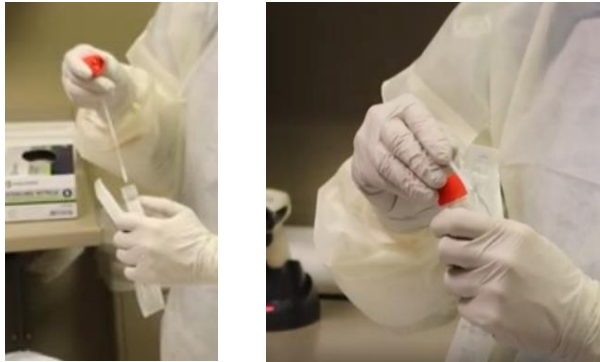


It might feel like I am going to cough or gag, but this feeling will go away in a few seconds.

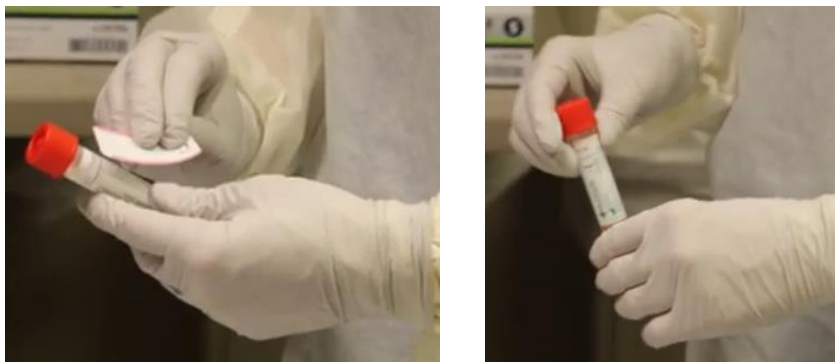
Then, the nurse takes the swab out of my mouth.



Then, the nurse puts the swab into the tube and puts the cap on the tube.



Then, the nurse puts a sticker with my name on the tube.



I am finished with my coronavirus throat test.



Getting My Coronavirus Test Results

After I leave, the nurse will send the tubes to a lab.

The lab will test the swabs for coronavirus and will tell the results to my doctor.

My doctor will call me to tell me the results of the test.

I will learn the test results _____.
(when)

I am finished with my coronavirus test.

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