COVID-19 Testing Algorithm for Pediatric and Adult Ambulatory Clinics

Testing algorithm based current COVID-19 testing availability. Use clinical judgement.

Ask Patient

- Do you currently have any TWO of the following symptoms that began in the past 3 days:
  - documented or reported fever or chills;
  - acute onset cough;
  - sore throat;
  - runny nose or congestion;
  - headache;
  - new shortness of breath;
  - myalgia or new significant fatigue;
  - new diarrhea or vomiting

- OR -

- Do you have ONE of the above symptoms that began in the past 3 days AND exposure to a person confirmed to have COVID-19, live in a long term care facility (e.g., nursing home, skilled nursing facility, assisted living, rehabilitation unit), referred from a correctional facility or are a resident of a homeless shelter?

- OR -

- Do you currently have new, unexplained loss of taste or smell that began in the past 3 days?

If patient can safely drive or be driven, instruct them to drive to the closest JHM affiliated ED for testing. PCP is encouraged to call ED prior to patient arrival.

If the patient cannot safely drive themselves, instruct them to call 911 and to inform the operator of their symptoms.

If the patient is a Johns Hopkins health care employee, see Occupational Health COVID-19 Algorithm for Employees Calling with Concerns about COVID-19.

To access this algorithm, scan the QR Code.

PATIENTS OF ALL AGES

- COVID-19 testing is indicated. Place a COVID-19 order in Epic for a symptomatic patient (patient under investigation [PUI]).

NOTE: For healthcare employees, return to work should be coordinated with their occupational health