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<b>Community Testing</b>						
<b>Community testing</b>	<p>People without symptoms (asymptomatic).</p> <p>Local authorities determine priority cohorts.</p> <p>National ask to offer testing to those who must leave home for work.</p>	Lateral Flow Device (LFD)	To be decided by the local authority - likely to be twice weekly where possible	<p>Testing generally available through community testing sites within the local authority.</p> <p>Models will differ between authorities.</p>	<p>Community testing is aimed at people without symptoms (asymptomatic); those with symptoms should continue to access testing via existing pillar 2 routes.</p> <p>Local authorities have control over who to target, where testing is offered, hours of operation etc. so programmes will differ from area to area.</p> <p>Confirmatory Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) test is required.</p>	All (SE LAs) South East Local Authorities live
<b>Community Collect points</b>	<p>People without symptoms (asymptomatic).</p> <p>National ask to offer Lateral Flow Device testing through Regional Testing Site/Local Testing Site, Asymptomatic Testing Site or online to allow households with pupils to be self-tested</p>	Lateral Flow Device (LFD)	Twice weekly	Digital portal for individuals to order a home kit or collect by a testing site.	<p>Households with nursery age children, primary school children, secondary school and college age children, including childcare and support bubbles, can test themselves twice every week at home as schools return. Households, childcare and support bubbles of primary, secondary and collect Twice Weekly. Staff can also be tested.</p> <p>Updated with universal offer. Guidance at <a href="https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing/regularrapid-coronavirus-tests-if-you-do-not-have-symptoms/">https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing/regularrapid-coronavirus-tests-if-you-do-not-have-symptoms/</a></p> <p>Residents will be able to find their nearest site by visiting, <a href="https://maps.test-and-trace.nhs.uk/">https://maps.test-and-trace.nhs.uk/</a></p> <p>Confirmatory Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) test is required.</p>	

Universal Offer	Asymptomatic testing	Lateral Flow Device (LFD)	Twice Weekly	Collect through any route currently available or order a home kit / collect kits at Local Testing Sites / Regional Testing Sites through community collect.	<p>The following routes are available, depending on individual situations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Employee &amp; University testing</li> <li>• School, college &amp; nursery testing</li> <li>• Community Collect</li> <li>• Pharmacy Collect</li> </ul> <p>These channels should be used before collecting from Local Testing Site / Regional Testing Site or home channel. Find where to get tested &amp; where to pick up rapid lateral flow test kits, <a href="https://maps.test-and-trace.nhs.uk/">https://maps.test-and-trace.nhs.uk/</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Lateral Flow Device Direct: For people who can't access tests through the other routes, you can order a box of tests online or through 119, which will be delivered to your home. <a href="https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirusrapid-lateral-flow-tests">https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirusrapid-lateral-flow-tests</a></li> </ul> <p>Confirmatory Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) is required</p>	
Education						
Universities	Students & Staff	Lateral Flow Device (LFD)	Twice weekly	<p>The university is responsible for providing testing locations and workforce.</p> <p>Supervised testing on site</p> <p>Regular testing regime for people without symptoms (asymptomatic individuals)</p>	Confirmatory Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) is required.	Live

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Secondary schools	All school staff, including ancillary staff (catering, estates etc)	Lateral Flow Device (LFD)	Twice weekly with tests 3 to 4 days apart.	Supervised testing is performed on site - i.e. the individual tests themselves under trained supervision.	Schools are responsible for providing workforce and locations for testing. Tests and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) are provided by Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC)  Confirmatory Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) is required.  Department for Education (DfE) phone number.	Live
	Secondary school pupils	Lateral Flow Device (LFD)	Twice weekly Self-administered home test before travelling into school.	All secondary school pupils will take three tests as they return to the classroom from the 8 March at existing school testing facilities. Schools will have discretion on how to test students over that week to enable their return to the classroom.		
Primary schools	All school staff, including ancillary staff (catering, estates etc)	Lateral Flow Device (LFD)	Twice weekly.	Tests are provided to staff via the school.  Self-administered home test before travelling into school	No testing is currently offered to primary school pupils.  Confirmatory Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) is required.	Live
Early years private nurseries	Staff	Lateral Flow Device (LFD)	Twice weekly.	Tests are provided to staff via the school. Self-administered home test before travelling into school.	Childminders can still access asymptomatic testing through local community testing programmes, and we are continuing to work closely with colleagues across government and local authorities to secure the most effective approach to asymptomatic testing for childminders.	Live
Children's care homes	Staff & residents	Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)	When symptomatic.	Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) guidance only allows for 10 PCR test kits to be bulk ordered every 21 days.	<a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-test-kits-forchildrens-homes">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-test-kits-forchildrens-homes</a>	Live

Adult Social Care						
Adult care homes	All care home staff	Lateral Flow Device (LFD) and Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)	Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) test and Lateral Flow Device (LFD) test on day 1, followed by a mid-week Lateral Flow Device (LFD)	Care homes submit regular orders for Lateral Flow Devices (LFD). Staff self-test at home	Confirmatory Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) is required <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19testing-in-adult-care-homes">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19testing-in-adult-care-homes</a>	Live
	Care home residents	Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)	Every 4 weeks	Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) testing offered to people without symptoms (asymptomatic) residents.  Supervised/assisted tests.		
	Care home visitors and visiting professionals	Lateral Flow Device (LFD)	On arrival prior to entry	Care home to provide tests on site for testing. Or home testing of visitors.	Each resident can nominate 2 visitors. Home tests can be taken at home by visitors. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>At an Asymptomatic Testing Site</li> <li>Through kits provided by the home once care homes have access to packs of 7 Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (Medical and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) approved)</li> <li>Kits received via workplace, universal testing or pharmacy etc. Government approved establishment.</li> </ul> <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/visiting-care-homesduring-coronavirus/update-on-policies-for-visiting-arrangements-incare-homes">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/visiting-care-homesduring-coronavirus/update-on-policies-for-visiting-arrangements-incare-homes</a>  professional Visitors. NHS visitors can provide proof of Lateral Flow Device (LFD) already taken on that day. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>an email or text from NHS Test and Trace</li> <li>a screenshot of where the professional has to upload their test result</li> </ul>	

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Hospices	Staff	Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) and Lateral Flow Device (LFD)	Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) test and Lateral Flow Device (LFD) test on day 1, followed by a mid-week Lateral Flow Device (LFD)	Hospices submit regular orders for Lateral Flow Devices (LFD). Staff self-test at home.	<p>Confirmatory Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) testing</p> <p>No guidance specific for Hospices yet, but this site is useful.</p> <p><a href="https://www.hospiceuk.org/what-we-offer/clinical-and-caresupport/care-homes-and-hospices/coronavirus-guidance">https://www.hospiceuk.org/what-we-offer/clinical-and-caresupport/care-homes-and-hospices/coronavirus-guidance</a></p>	Live
	Residents	Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)	Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) on entry and every 4 weeks	<p>Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) testing offered to asymptomatic residents</p> <p>Supervised/assisted tests</p>		

	Visitors and visiting professionals	Lateral Flow Device (LFD)	Prior to entry	Hospice to provide tests on site or test at home.	<p>Home tests can be taken at home by visitors .</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• At an Asymptomatic Testing Site</li> <li>• Through kits provided by the home once care homes have access to packs of 7 (Medical and Healthcare product Regulatory Agency (MHRA) approved)</li> <li>• Kits received via workplace, universal testing or pharmacy etc. Government approved establishment.</li> </ul> <p><a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/visiting-care-homesduring-coronavirus/update-on-policies-for-visiting-arrangements-incare-homes">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/visiting-care-homesduring-coronavirus/update-on-policies-for-visiting-arrangements-incare-homes</a></p> <p>professional Visitors. NHS visitors can provide proof of Lateral Flow Device (LFD) already taken on that day. an email or text from NHS Test and Trace</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• a screenshot of where the professional has to upload their test result</li> <li>• a date-stamped photo of the test cartridge itself</li> <li>• signed confirmation from their manager</li> <li>• the NHS signed log included with the test kits provided to NHS staff</li> <li>• Full details for all professional visitors <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronaviruscovid-19-testing-in-adult-care-homes/testing-forprofessionals-visiting-care-homes">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronaviruscovid-19-testing-in-adult-care-homes/testing-forprofessionals-visiting-care-homes</a></li> </ul>	
<b>Extra Care &amp; Supported Living (EC &amp; SL) High Risk Settings</b>	Staff without symptoms (asymptomatic) Universal Test Kit testing weekly.	Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)	1 Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) test per week & 2 Lateral Flow Device (LFD) tests every week. Lateral Flow Device (LFD) on same day as Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) and mid-week 3-4 days later.	Supported Care / Supported Living to provide tests on site for testing.		Live

Extra Care & Supported Living	Residents without symptoms (asymptomatic) Universal Test Kit testing every four weeks		1 Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) test a month.	Home Lateral Flow Device (LFD) testing for staff.  Or home testing of visitors.	<a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19testing-service-for-extra-care-and-supported-living-settings/testing-service-for-extra-care-and-supported-living-settings">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19testing-service-for-extra-care-and-supported-living-settings/testing-service-for-extra-care-and-supported-living-settings</a>	
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Wider Settings  Visitor Testing	Staff without symptoms (asymptomatic) testing weekly	Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)  Lateral Flow Device (LFD)	1 Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) test every week  On arrival prior to entry	Care home to provide tests on site for testing. As care homes and hospice visitor testing. Or home testing of visitors.	<a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-testing-service-for-extra-care-and-supported-living-settings/testing-service-for-extra-care-and-supported-living-settings">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-testing-service-for-extra-care-and-supported-living-settings/testing-service-for-extra-care-and-supported-living-settings</a>	

Domiciliary care	Staff	Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)	Weekly	The organisation can order tests and is responsible for distributing to their workforce.	An organisation is eligible if they are a Care Quality Commission (CQC) regulated homecare organisation in England providing personal care. This is defined in the CQC data as locations with the primary inspection category 'Community based adult social care services' and providing the service type 'Domiciliary care service'. Organisations that match this criterion but have not been contacted by NHS Test & Trace with info on how to order tests should contact 119. <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19testing-for-homecare-workers/a-testing-service-for-homecareworkers-in-england">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19testing-for-homecare-workers/a-testing-service-for-homecareworkers-in-england</a> Work underway to bring personal assistants and live-in carers into this group.	Live
Day centres	Staff (all workers)	Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)	Weekly	Tests provided by the centre to be taken at home  4 kits supplied to each worker every 28 days  Tests to be taken Thursday-Sunday  All tests need to be registered online and returned on the same day via a Royal Mail priority post box.  Results arrive via email and text	To be eligible services must be for adults over 18 and provided within non-residential care settings that support the health and wellbeing of adults. This includes settings such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• purpose-built day centres</li> <li>• day centres attached to or part of a care home or supported living</li> <li>• other buildings in communities specifically used for regular adult day care</li> </ul> <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19testing-for-adult-day-care-centre-workers">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19testing-for-adult-day-care-centre-workers</a>	Live
Personal assistances	Staff	Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)	Weekly	Lateral Flow Device (LFD) kits can be ordered from 8 <sup>th</sup> April – twice weekly testing. A box of 7 Lateral Flow Devices (LDF) can be ordered every 21 days. If positive a confirmatory Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) test should be ordered.	More guidance here: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-testing-for-personal-assistants">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-testing-for-personal-assistants</a>  Kits can be ordered at – under schools, nurseries colleges <a href="https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests">https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests</a>	



Workplace settings	Staff (all workers)	Lateral Flow Device (LFD)	TBC	<p>The process for an organisation getting information (registering on a website, ringing a number)</p> <p>Companies can now register their interest online via a simple form: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/getworkplace-coronavirustests">https://www.gov.uk/getworkplace-coronavirustests</a></p>	<p>We will then invite companies to an introductory webinar (1hr) which explains in detail everything they need to know before they start setting up a testing site; and we will invite them to review a set of documents including terms and conditions, which need to be signed before they place their order. These documents are all held on an ordering platform called Egress, so they can do all of that digitally. If companies have specific queries, they can contact our team via PandPSector@dhs.gov.uk, but we try to pick up a lot of the questions during the webinar, simply because that is an effective way of dealing with lots of companies at once.</p> <p>Applications closed 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021.</p>	
			Primary Care			

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General practice	Symptomatic patients, General Practice staff and household	Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)	Opportunistic	<p>General Practices can order stocks of Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) tests to be used with symptomatic patients who present in clinic.</p> <p>These tests will also be available for symptomatic General Practices, practice staff and their symptomatic household members to support general practice settings remaining operational.</p> <p>Testing should be self-administered as far as possible</p>	<p><a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-testing-ingenera_-_practice">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-testing-ingenera_-_practice</a></p>	Live
NHS	All patient facing NHS staff	Lateral Flow Devices (LFD)	Twice weekly	Self-administered home test		Live

Community Pharmacy	Asymptomatic (without symptom) testing	Lateral Flow Device (LFD)	Twice Weekly	Collecting of Lateral Flow Device (LFD) kits through pharmacies	<a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/news/twice-weekly-rapid-testing-to-be-available-to-everyone-in-england">https://www.gov.uk/government/news/twice-weekly-rapid-testing-to-be-available-to-everyone-in-england</a>  Find where to pick up rapid Lateral Flow Device test (LFD) kits, <a href="https://maps.testand-trace.nhs.uk/">https://maps.testand-trace.nhs.uk/</a>	Live
Security & Justice						
Prisons	Frontline staff	Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)	Weekly PCR test and LFD test on day 1, followed by a mid-week LFD	Prison responsible for ordering tests and supply testing site		Live
	New prisoner intake	Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)	Day 0/1 and Day 5/6 following arrival of transfer/new reception	Testing provided on site		Live
	Asymptomatic (without symptoms) Reception and Transfer Testing	Lateral Flow Device (LFD)	Day 0/1 and Day 5/6 following arrival of transfer/new reception	Testing provided on site		
	Residents	Lateral Flow Device (LFD)	On transfer, release and to court	Testing provided on site	Several pilots underway to evaluate Lateral Flow Device (LFD) testing of residents.  Confirmatory Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) is currently suspended for prison residents.	Live

Hauliers (Department of Transport (DfT))	Staff	Lateral Flow Device (LFD) & Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)	Drivers must test negative for COVID-19 before they cross the border into certain countries. Get tested before	If the Lateral Flow Device (LFD) is positive, they isolate in hotel where they do a follow up Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) test.	Haulier advice sites are at motorway service stations and truck stops. Most haulier advice sites are open between 6am and 9.30pm, 7 days a week. <a href="https://www.gov.uk">Haulier advice site locations - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)</a>	
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			Entering Kent to avoid delays.			