

TYPES OF TESTS FOR COVID-19 AVAILABLE IN NUNAVIK

Site	Tests	Platforms in Nunavik	Sensitivity	Specificity	Use in Nunavik	Advantages	Limits	
Lab	PCR - NAAT lab	GeneXpert BD Max	Very high	Very high	Health network	Reliability Volumes	Shipping	
Outsourced	Rapid tests	Molecular test	ID NOW	High	Very high	Health network	Rapidity Outsourced	HR
		Rapid AG test (TDAR) ¹²	Panbio ^{MD} BD Veritor ^{MD} BTNX ^{MD}	Average	High	Self test	Accessibility Rapidity	Limited sensitivity Test performed without quality control
		Rapid PCR	Lucira ^{MD}	Very high	High	Self test	Reliability Rapidity	Price Test performed without quality control

MANAGEMENT OF RESULTS⁵

Results	Invalid	Negative	Weak positive	Positive
PCR - NAAT lab	Repeat test if still indicated	Individual not considered infectious		Repeat in 24-48 hours if new infection is suspected or in situation of vulnerability
ID NOW ^{MD}	Repeat test if still indicated	Health-care setting	ID NOW ^{MD} AND negative lab result for PCR-NAAT both necessary to conclude that individual is not infectious	Individual considered infectious ⁶
		Community setting	Individual not considered infectious	

¹ Different recommendations apply to health workers and to hospitalized patients. Refer to your PCI and the following links: [SRAS-CoV-2 : Gestion des travailleurs de la santé en milieux de soins \(inspq.qc.ca\)](#), [SRAS-CoV-2 : Mesures de prévention et contrôle des infections pour les milieux de soins de courte durée \(inspq.qc.ca\)](#).

² An individual who is not Immunodepressed and who had C-19 during the past two months is considered protected and does not need to repeat the test.

³ TDAR is not recommended for an asymptomatic individual. TDAR must be repeated after 48 hours if the first test was negative.

⁴ A negative result to ID NOW must always be accompanied by PCR in these situations. A positive result to ID NOW does not require a test for confirmation.

⁵ Regardless of whether the result is positive or negative, if an unusual cough persists \geq three weeks, consider tuberculosis.

⁶ Refer an infectious individual to <https://www.quebec.ca/sante/> or 811. The health worker must contact the health bureau. The institution's PCI must be contacted for a hospitalized patient.