Community HealthCare System
NE Kansas

COVID-19 TESTING

CHCS has several options for COVID-19 testing. The option chosen by providers depends on location, available supplies, patient situation, and other circumstances.

TEST NAME	WHAT IT TESTS FOR	TEST TYPE *	WHERE IT'S RUN	TURNAROUND TIME	CONFIRMATORY NEEDED?
Sofia 1	COVID-19	Antigen	Clinics	15 minutes	Maybe
Sofia 2	COVID-19 & Influenza A/B	Antigen	Clinics	15 minutes	Maybe
Cepheid	COVID-19 & Influenza A/B	PCR	Onaga & St. Marys hospitals **	45 minutes	No
COVID-19 Reference	COVID-19	PCR	Available at all locations	Send-out to Stormont Vail	No

Notes

*PCR = polymerase chain reaction. This test detects the virus's genetic material. Antigen tests detect specific proteins from the virus.

** Prioritized for inpatients/ER/OB/surgery. Will be implementing in Holton Clinic in ~2 weeks.

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