

## Hamilton Base Hospital drive-thru coronavirus testing

The WDHS drive-thru coronavirus (COVID19) testing station has been set up to quickly, safely and conveniently test people for the virus.

Initially it is open between 1pm and 3pm Monday to Friday, however, as the situation evolves, drive-thru clinic hours may change. For the latest clinic information, please visit [www.wdhs.net](http://www.wdhs.net)

**As directed by the Department of Health and Human Services, people must meet strict COVID19 case definition criteria before drive thru testing will be carried out**

### What to expect

- You can be referred by your local GP, but the drive-thru testing station also takes direct presentations
- You must remain in your vehicle
- A clinician will ask you the following questions:
  - Do you have COVID19 symptoms including fever, cough, sore throat, shortness of breath?
  - Have you travelled overseas in the previous 14 days?
  - Have you been in contact with a confirmed case of COVID19?
  - Are you a healthcare worker?
- If you meet the testing criteria you will be swabbed by a WDHS Nurse
- The swab will then be sent to pathology for testing
- As pathology results may take 3-5 days, those who meet the testing criteria will be asked to isolate themselves at home until they receive their results
- You will be notified of your results by a staff member from the Infection Prevention and Control Department as soon as they are available
- Due to the difficulties of obtaining swabs from younger children, drive through testing will only be available for children over the age of nine years. Parents and carers should contact their General Practice, or bring children aged nine years and under to the Hamilton Base Hospital Emergency Department for assessment
- If your condition worsens, please call 000 or attend our Emergency Department

If you would like further information about your symptoms, please call the Department of Health and Human Services Community Hotline on 1800 675 398 or visit the DHHS website: [www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/coronavirus](http://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/coronavirus)