



Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)

Antibody Test for COVID-19

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An antibody test may tell you if you were infected at some point with the virus that causes COVID-19.

A healthcare professional will take a small sample of your blood. Your blood will be tested to see if antibodies are present.

Antibodies are proteins your body makes to fight off infections.

If you test positive for antibodies... It's likely you were infected with the virus that causes COVID-19 at some point in time.

It's not known yet if these antibodies will protect you from getting infected again. That protection is called immunity.

If you test negative for antibodies... It's likely you have not been infected or have not developed antibodies yet. You can still get infected or become sick later.

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- ✓ An antibody test may tell you if you were ever infected, but not when or how long ago.
- ✓ If you test positive, it's likely you were infected at some point before you were tested.
- ✓ If you test positive, it's possible you could get infected again or become sick later.
- ✓ The antibody test cannot tell you if you are infected now. You will need a viral test to show that.

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Whether you test positive or negative for the antibodies, always take steps to protect yourself and others.

Get Vaccinated

Vaccines are now widely available. You should get a COVID-19 vaccine, even if you have already had COVID-19.