

Community Testing Centers

Recommendations related to infection prevention and PPE sparing practices

Traffic Flow for individuals requiring COVID-19 specimen collection

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Traffic Controller

PHI Gathering

Specimen
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Levels of Protection

Cold

- No PPE is necessary
- Hand Hygiene Supplies Readily Available
- PPE Pack should be available as a precaution if exposure to an ill person is anticipated.
- Suggested persons, law enforcement, EMS, Administrative staff, Epi's.

Warm

- Limited PPE is needed. This individual will conduct themselves in such a way as to prevent exposure.
- Equipment required: hand hygiene supplies readily available, gloves.
- PPE pack should be available as a precaution if exposure to an ill person is anticipated.

Hot

- Highest precautions are necessary for this position
- The person performing this role should have hand hygiene supplies readily available. This individual wears a closed-front liquid resistant gown with full sleeves and thumbhole, eye protection (safety glasses, goggles, or full face shield), respirator and two pairs of gloves.

Traffic/site controller

- Level of precautions “Cold”
- Role
- Direct cars to the appropriate line within the testing site
- Explaining the process (e.g. holding up signage, verbalizing from 6 feet away, electronic message boards etc.)
- Traffic Control
- Site safety

Consider: law enforcement, EMS, LPHA's, HCC partners

PHI gathering

- Level of precautions “Warm”
- Role
- Gather PHI needed for specimen collection, entering in lab online or paper form that another team member enters, create a handwritten label including name, date of birth, sample type (e.g. NP, OP), collection time, collection date, collection site (e.g. Boulder, Yuma)

Specimen Collection

- Level of precautions “Hot”
- Role
- Collect necessary specimens from persons being tested
- Verify that PHI matches the person being tested by reading scripted language (e.g. Please confirm your name and date of birth)
- Verify collection date, collection time and sample type
- Explain to the person the collection procedure
- Collect specimen, place labeled specimen in a biohazard sample bag
- Consider: Nurses, Physicians, Medical Assistants, EMS,

Specimen packaging

- Level of Precautions “Warm”
 - Role
 - Package specimens to transport safely to the receiving lab
 - Oversee packaging for transport to the laboratory.
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- Consider-lab personnel, IP’s, LPHA

Resources needed

- Tents/Fans-although not required could be utilized to place fan behind worker and blow air towards cars to create a negative air flow.
- Consider electronic signage etc. to assist with directing the flow of traffic.
- Sites should create job aids for each position
- A paper handout provided to individuals being tested, how they will receive results, who to contact if they have questions etc.
- Paper form to create a back-up to online lab submission.
- Avery labels for specimen identification

Each PPE Kit Should Include at Minimum

- Eye protection (e.g. safety glasses, goggles, face shield).
- Closed-front liquid resistant gown, with full sleeves and thumbhole.
- Respirator (re-usable or N-95 or higher resp protection)
- wears a closed-front liquid resistant gown, safety glasses, goggles, or face shield, respirator and two pairs of gloves.