



# COVID-19 Testing for First Responders

To support our partners on the front lines of the COVID-19 pandemic, Premier Health, in collaboration with CompuNet Clinical Laboratories and Premier Health Urgent Care, is offering prioritized COVID-19 testing for first responders.

## Who is eligible?

Testing is available for the following groups:

- EMS
- Fire
- Police and Law Enforcement

First responders who are currently experiencing COVID-19 symptoms:

- Fever above 100.4° F
- Cough
- Shortness of breath
- Diarrhea

## Verification

A **department ID is required** (driver's license not accepted). Without a department ID, badges are accepted, but may require verification.

## Collection and Testing Process

**You must have a physician order for a COVID-19 test to be performed.** This can typically be obtained either from your department's occupational health/employee health physician or from a primary care physician (PCP).

In the event you do not have access to occupational health or a PCP, Premier Health offers the ability to schedule a virtual visit with a physician. This can be done by calling **855-Premier** and a virtual visit with a physician will be set up within 24 hours to discuss exposure risk/symptoms and order a test, if appropriate.

**The collection site is located at the University of Dayton Arena parking lot. Collection site hours of operation are Monday through Friday, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** (subject to change – please check our website for details).

Those who visit the collection site will be screened for fever and other symptoms consistent with COVID-19.

Priority testing will be conducted according to the Governor's order and current ODH rules.

Specimens will be routed to the Premier Health/CompuNet in-house laboratory if possible, with an anticipated turnaround time of less than 24 hours. If, for any reason, the Priority 1 case volume has exhausted the capacity of available testing materials, the Priority 2 collections (first responders) will be routed to Quest laboratories for processing.

**Test results will be communicated via the ordering physician.**

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For more information  
please contact one of our  
EMS coordinators

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