

# SPRING 2021 COVID TESTING PROGRAM: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

## TYPES OF TESTING

### GATEWAY:

All students living on campus or in Chestertown will be tested for COVID upon arrival, also known as Gateway Testing. Gateway testing includes 2 tests. The first test will be administered as the first stop (Kirby Stadium) on move-in day for any student moving into campus housing. Health Services is scheduling tests directly with off-campus students. The second Gateway test will be scheduled for 12-14 days later.

### SURVEILLANCE:

Throughout the semester, students will be tested on a bi-weekly basis, which is known as surveillance testing. This testing is not related to any symptoms and participation in this program is required for all students living on campus, living in Chestertown, and those students who will be on campus with any regularity (more than 1 time in a two-week period). All surveillance testing will be administered out of the COVID testing site in Kirby Stadium.

### SYMPTOMATIC:

Any student who is experiencing COVID-like symptoms should contact Health Services for a COVID test. This is outside of the surveillance testing and should be scheduled directly with the Health Services team. They will administer symptomatic tests in the Health Services building.

## GATEWAY: KEY TESTING INFORMATION

Follow this checklist to be sure you are ready for your gateway test upon arrival:

- Check your email for your intro from Maryland Genomics and follow the prompts to download the MG Scanner testing app and register - **be sure to complete this before your arrival.**
- **Head first to Kirby Stadium** for your COVID test - this happens BEFORE check-in
- **Bring your phone with you for testing** - you will need it to scan your testing tube/kit
- When you arrive for your first gateway test, you will also schedule your 12-14 day follow-up test.
- Make sure you **know your spring schedule** so that you schedule around your classes.
- In order to get your key packet, the ResLife team managing check-in will ask to see your testing app and the confirmation of your completed test.



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## SCHEDULING PROCESS

**Gateway Testing:** Your first test is already scheduled, as it is the same as your selected move-in appointment time (or for off-campus students, Health Services has worked to schedule with you). As a reminder to students living on campus, please proceed directly to the testing site upon arrival. Getting this test is the first step to move-in. Your **second gateway test** (to take place 12-14 days after the first one) will be scheduled during the first gateway test. The testing team will advise you as to the date of your second test and work with you to select a time. Make sure you know or have your spring schedule with you so that you don't schedule your test during class time.

**Surveillance Testing:** All students in the surveillance testing pool will be placed into either the A Group or the B Group, which then dictates what week your bi-weekly surveillance testing begins. During the second gateway test, students will be informed about when this will begin. The COVID testing team will also work directly with you during that second gateway test to schedule a convenient time for surveillance testing, which will take place every other week for the remainder of the semester. The timeslot that you select during that second gateway test will remain the same for all surveillance tests.

**Symptomatic Testing:** Any student who is experiencing COVID-like symptoms should contact Health Services directly to schedule an appointment for COVID testing. Please do not go to the local Health Department or a retail location if you are feeling sick - please call 410-778-7261 to schedule a test with Health Services.

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## APPT REMINDERS:

- Students will receive an email reminder the night prior to a scheduled test.
- The test appointment information will also be visible in the student's Health Portal

## RESULTS:

- If a student's surveillance test is NEGATIVE, they will receive an email from Washington College Health Services communicating the result.
- If a student's surveillance test is POSITIVE, they will receive a phone call from the Health Services Team.
- Health Services will communicate directly with a student who has come in for symptomatic testing.

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## DON'T FORGET!

- Download MD Genomics/MG Scanner testing app!
- Know your schedule - the testing team will be working with you to schedule your next test(s)
- Make sure you have uploaded proof of your flu vaccine before 2/1 at [washcoll.studenthealthportal.com](http://washcoll.studenthealthportal.com)
- Bring your phone to testing - you will need it to scan your testing tube/kit

