

# Use of BinaxNOW COVID-19 Antigen (Ag) Test Training for Long Term Care Facilities

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# Abbott BinaxNOW™ COVID-19 Antigen (Ag) Cards

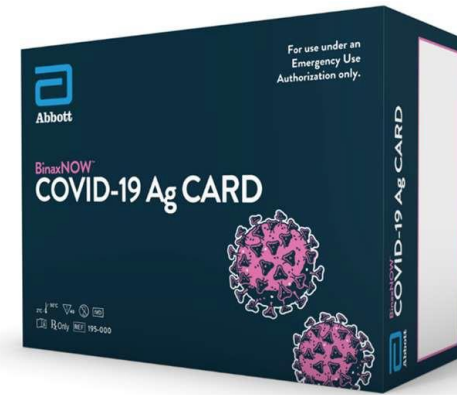
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# BinaxNOW™ COVID-19 Ag Card Overview



Emergency Use Authorization Granted by FDA

## Intended Use: Key Points

- The BinaxNOW™ COVID-19 Ag Card is intended for the qualitative detection of nucleocapsid protein antigen from SARS-CoV-2 in nasal swabs from **individuals suspected of COVID-19 by their healthcare provider within the first seven days of symptom onset.**
- Antigen is generally detectable in nasal swabs during the **acute phase of infection.**
- Negative results from patients with symptom onset beyond seven days, should be treated as presumptive and confirmation with a molecular assay if necessary, for patient management, may be performed.

## **BinaxNOW™ COVID-19 Ag Card** *Emergency Use Authorization*

The BinaxNOW™ COVID-19 Ag Card is only for use under the Food and Drug Administration's Emergency Use Authorization

### **What is Emergency Use Authorization (EUA)?**

- FDA emergency access mechanism
- Health & Human Services declare when circumstances exist to justify use of diagnostics under EUA for the diagnosis of COVID-19
- It is not full FDA clearance or approval and is temporary, until the declaration is terminated or revoked.

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## *Emergency Use Authorization*

### **Test Site Obligations:**

- Notify relevant public health authorities on intent to run test
- Report all results to healthcare providers and include the Healthcare Provider Fact Sheet. Healthcare providers to include Patient Fact Sheet with results
- Utilize product as outlined in the BinaxNOW COVID-19 Ag Card Instructions for Use
- Ensure all operators are trained to perform and interpret the test
- Have process in place for reporting test result to Healthcare Providers & relevant public health authorities
- Per Product Insert: Collect performance data and report any significant deviations from the product performance characteristics via email to FDA/HHS and to Abbott Technical Support
- Retain all records associated with EUA until otherwise directed by FDA

# **BinaxNOW™ COVID-19 Ag Card**

## **Technical Overview**



# BinaxNOW™ COVID-19 Ag Card

## Product Overview

<b>Test Summary</b>	Rapid lateral flow immunoassay for the qualitative detection of SARS-CoV-2
<b>Testing Environment</b>	Point of Care settings with a CLIA Certificate of Waiver, Compliance or Accreditation
<b>Specimen Type</b>	Direct nasal swab
<b>Time to Result</b>	Results visually read at 15 minutes *Results should not be read after 30 minutes
<b>Waste Disposal</b>	All components should be discarded as Biohazard Waste
<b>PPE for Specimen Collection &amp; Handling</b>	Refer to CDC Guidelines for collecting, handling and testing clinical specimens (link in Product Insert)



# Reagent and Materials

## Materials Provided:

- 40 Test Cards
- Extraction Reagent
- Patient Collection Nasal Swabs
- Positive Control Swab
- Blank Nasal Swab for Negative Control
- Product Insert
- Procedure Card
- Healthcare Provider & Patient COVID-19 Fact Sheets

## Materials Required but not Provided:

- Clock, timer or stopwatch

## Optional Materials:

- Plastic Transport Tube

## Storage & Stability:

- Store kit at 2-30°C
- Ensure all test components are at room temperature before use
- Stable until the expiration date marked on the outer packaging



# Quality Control

## Internal Procedural Controls:

- BinaxNOW™ COVID-19 Ag Card has built-in procedural controls
- In an untested card there will be a blue line at the Control Line position
- In a valid, tested device, the blue line washes away and a pink/purple line appears, confirming that the sample has flowed through the test strip and the reagents are working



*Note: If the blue line is not present at the Control Line position prior to running the test, do not use and discard*

## When is Quality Control Required?

- External Positive & Negative Controls:
- Good laboratory practice suggests the use of positive and negative controls to ensure that test reagents are working properly and that the test is correctly performed
- **BinaxNOW™** COVID-19 Ag Card kits contain a positive control swab and sterile swabs that can be used as a negative control

- **Required Frequency:**

- New shipments received
- Untrained operators
- Conforming with local, state, and/or federal regulations, accrediting groups, or lab's standard QC procedures.

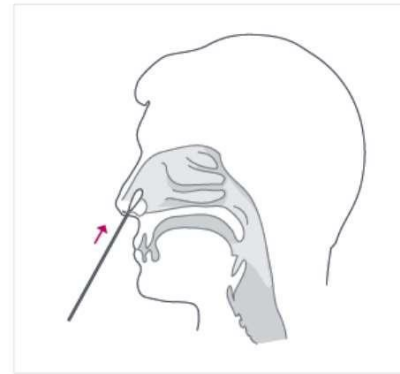


**Note:** If correct results are not obtained, contact the Abbott Technical Services Team at 1-800-257-9525 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. EST Monday-Friday before testing patient specimens

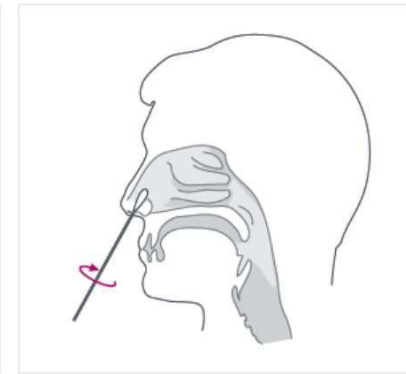
# Nasal Swab Sample Collection

**Only the swab provided in the kit is to be used for nasal swab collection**

- Insert the nasal swab into the nostril exhibiting the most drainage or congestion
- Using gentle rotation, push the swab until resistance is met
  - At the level of the nasal turbinates
  - Less than one inch into nostril
- Rotate the swab 5 times or more against the nasal wall
- Slowly remove the swab
- Using the same swab, repeat sample collection in the other nostril




1 To collect a nasal swab sample, carefully insert the swab into the nostril exhibiting the most visible drainage, or the nostril that is most congested if drainage is not visible.





2 Using gentle rotation, push the swab until resistance is met at the level of the turbinates (less than one inch into the nostril). Rotate the swab 5 times or more against the nasal wall and then slowly remove from the nostril.

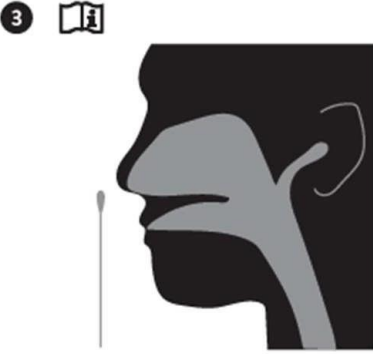
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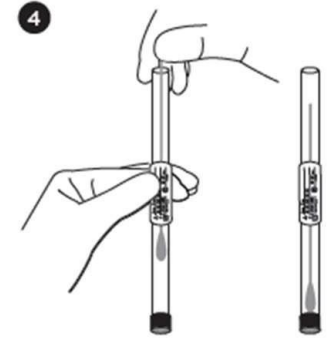
# Specimen Transport & Storage


**Abbott** Swab Transport Tube Accessory Pack 


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## Specimen Transport & Storage

For best performance, direct nasal swabs should be tested as soon as possible after collection.

### **If immediate testing is not possible:**

- **Do not return the nasal swab to the original paper packaging**
- To avoid contamination and preserve sample integrity, place the nasal swab in a clean, unused, tightly capped plastic tube & label with the patient information
- The sample is stable in the plastic tube at room temperature (15-30°C) for up to one (1) hour prior to testing
- If greater than one (1) hour delay occurs, dispose of sample & collect new sample



# BinaxNOW™ COVID-19 Ag Card Procedure

## Key Points

### **Prior to Beginning a Test Remember to:**

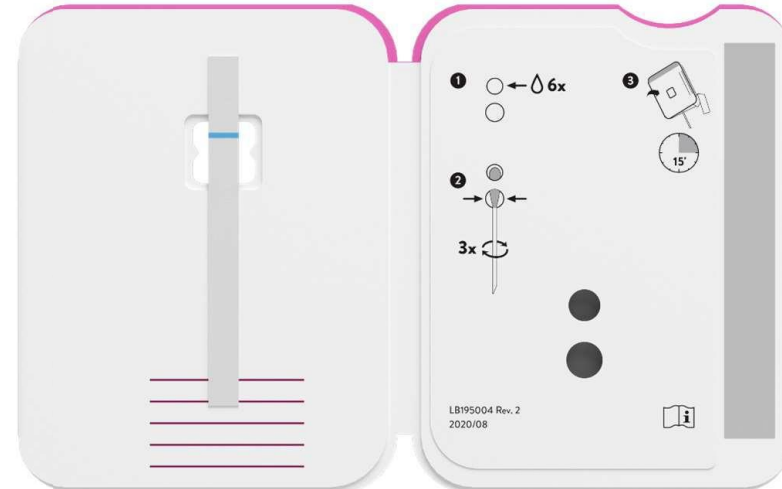
- Ensure all components are at room temperature
- Open test card just prior to use
- Lay test card flat for use
- Ensure Blue Control Line is present



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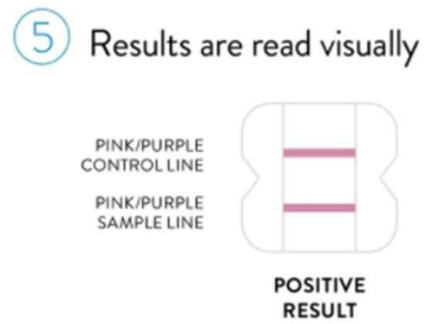
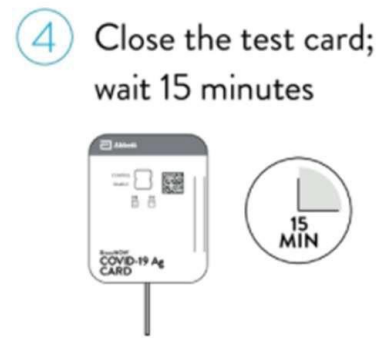
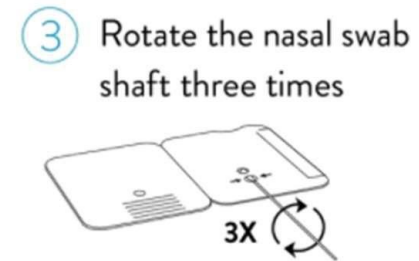
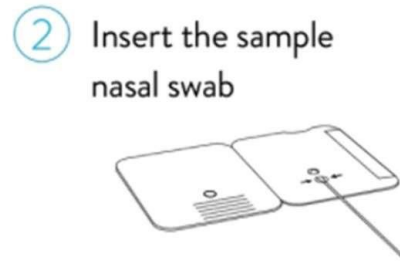
Exterior View



Interior View



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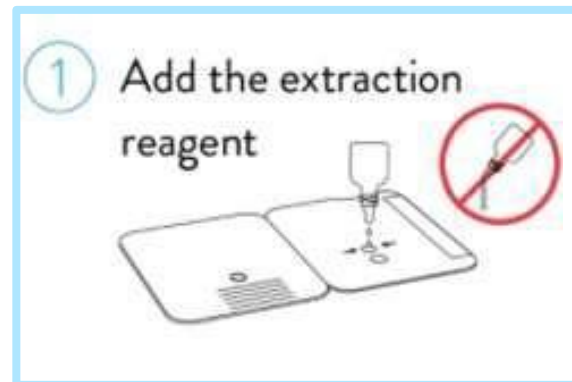


# BinaxNOW™ COVID-19 Ag Card Procedure

## Key Points

### Step 1:

- Hold extraction reagent bottle **vertically** to ensure adequate volume
- Add 6 drops for a Patient test
- Add 8 drops for a Quality Control test

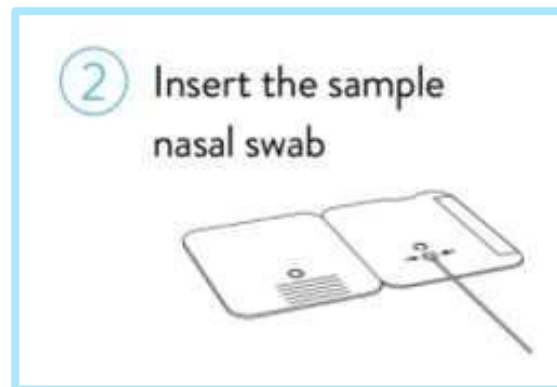


# BinaxNOW™ COVID-19 Ag Card Procedure

## Key Points

### **Step 2:**

- Insert swab into the bottom hole of the test card
- Firmly push swab upwards until the swab tip is visible in the top hole

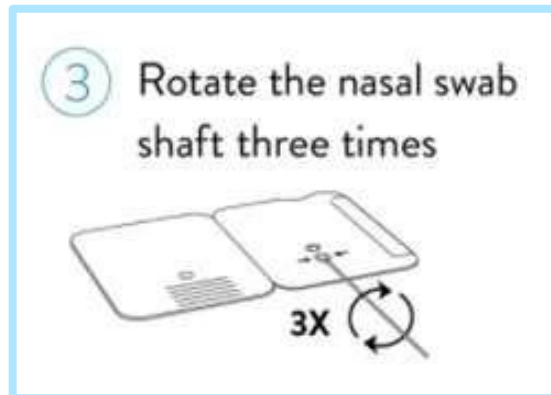


# BinaxNOW™ COVID-19 Ag Card Procedure

## Key Points

### Step 3:

- Rotate swab shaft **3 times** CLOCKWISE (to the right).
- False negative results can occur if the sample swab is not rotated (twirled) prior to closing the card

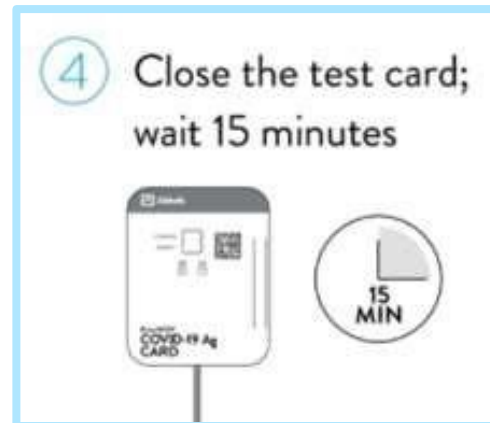


# BinaxNOW™ COVID-19 Ag Card Procedure

## Key Points

### Step 4:

- Peel off adhesive liner from the right edge of the test card
- Close and securely seal the card
- To ensure proper test performance read results at **15 minutes** and not before
- Results should not be read after 30 minutes



## Result Interpretation

### Negative

- **One pink/purple colored line** in the top half of the window, in the Control Line position
- Indicates a negative result & no antigen detected



### Positive

- **Two pink/purple colored lines** in both the Control & Sample Line position
- Indicates COVID-19 antigen was detected
- Any visible pink/purple line is positive



## Result Interpretation

### Invalid

**The assay is invalid & should be repeated if:**

- Only the Sample Line is present
- No lines are present
- Blue Control Line remains blue



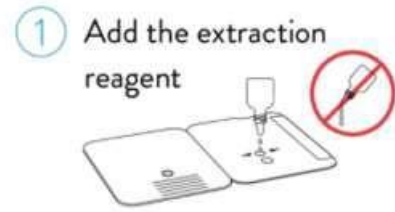
**Test should be discarded as Biohazard waste**

# Near-Patient Workflow: No Swab Transport\*

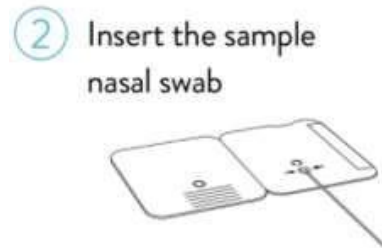
*Option A (Collect Patient Swab First, Prior to Test Procedure)*

## Collect Nasal Swab

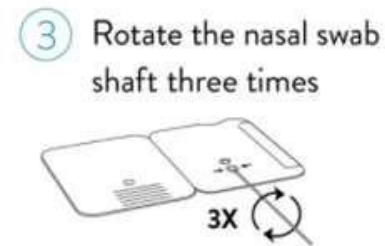
**Step 1:** Add the Extraction Reagent



**Step 2:** Insert sample into bottom hole and push firmly upwards so tip is visible in top hole



**Step 3:** Rotate (twirl) swab shaft 3 times clockwise (to the right)



**Step 4:** Peel off adhesive liner, close and securely seal card. Read results in the window 15 minutes after closing the card



\*Swab will not be moved from immediate testing area where sample collection is performed



# Near-Patient Workflow: No Swab Transport\*

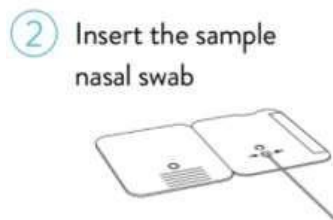
## Option B (Begin Test Procedure, Then Collect Patient Swab)

**Step 1:** Add the Extraction Reagent



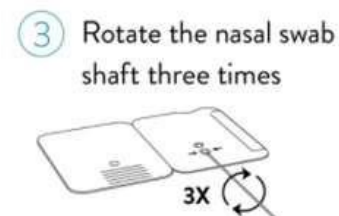
### Collect Nasal Swab

**Step 2:** Insert sample into bottom hole and push firmly upwards so tip is visible in top hole



Within 3 minutes of adding extraction reagent drops, insert swab into test card

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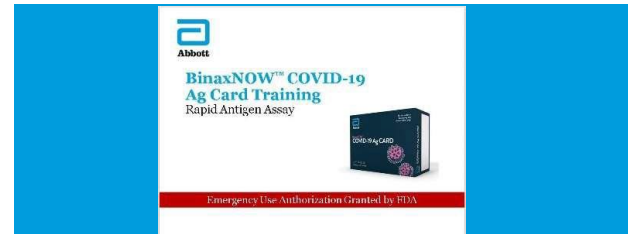
# Training Toolkit

<https://www.globalpointofcare.abbott/en/support/product-installation-training/navica-brand/navica-binaxnow-ag-training.html>

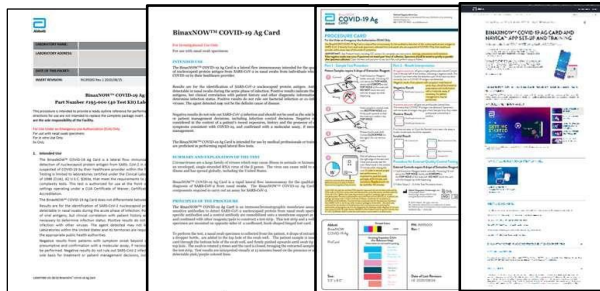
## MODULE 1: GETTING STARTED



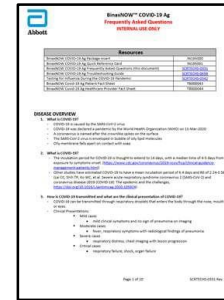
Six Detailed Training Videos



PowerPoint Training



Helpful Tools & Support Documents



FAQs and Technical Service Contacts  
Monday-Friday 8am EST – 8pm EST  
1-800-257-9525 or [ts.scr@abbott.com](mailto:ts.scr@abbott.com)

## Additional Resources

### Ordering Information

- 195-000: BinaxNOW™ COVID-19 Ag Card (40 Tests)
- 195-080: BinaxNOW™ COVID-19 Ag Control Swab Kit (10 Positive Swabs)
- 190-010: Optional COVID-19 Swab Transport Tube Accessory Pack (24 Tubes)

### Technical Support Line:

- US +1 800 257 9525, Option 2
  - 8am-8pm EST Monday-Friday
- [ts.scr@abbott.com](mailto:ts.scr@abbott.com)



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# Using the BinaxNOW™ COVID-19 Ag Cards

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# Use-Cases for BinaxNOW™ Ag Test Cards

- Three primary scenarios for effective use:
  - Outbreaks
  - Clinical settings
  - “Surveillance” testing
- Each requires different thought processes
  - How often they will be used
  - Who they will be used with
  - What kind of follow-up is needed



# Outbreak Scenarios

- Facilities may want to partner with local health department
  - To determine strategies for possible use
  - Coordinate procurement of cards
  - Assist with administration if needed
- Test symptomatic people to get early assessment
  - Speeds up isolation and quarantine decisions
- May test asymptomatic if indicated during outbreaks
  - High likelihood of exposure
  - At least two days have passed since exposure
  - May not have adequate supplies of cards to follow this strategy
  - Not highly recommended
    - Resource intensive
    - Interpretation of results questionable

# Interpretation and F/U in Outbreak Settings

- If symptomatic
  - Tests positive: Initiate isolation and contact investigation
  - Tests negative: F/U PCR test to confirm negative
    - Isolate until results received
    - If still negative, quarantine if indicated by situation, consider testing for other illnesses
- If definite exposure but asymptomatic
  - Should be quarantined to start with
  - Positive result indicates infection – Isolate/contact trace - quarantine
  - Negative result – continue with quarantine
- If no exposure identified and asymptomatic
  - Recommend confirming positive result with PCR
  - Negative result taken at face value



# Testing of Symptomatic Persons in Clinical Settings

- Can be used in healthcare settings for rapid assessment of COVID-19
  - Must have CLIA certification or waiver
  - FDA Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) approved for individuals suspected of COVID-19
  - Should be used within the first 7 days of symptom onset
- Consider Situation:
  - If NO (or very few) cases identified in community (not likely currently!)
    - Recommend F/U PCR test to confirm a positive test – Isolate until PCR results received
    - Negative result taken at face value – may want to test for Flu, other respiratory pathogens
  - If cases already prevalent in community
    - Positive result would be taken at face value
    - Negative results would be recommended for F/U PCR to confirm if there was a clear exposure UNLESS another etiology for symptoms is identified through testing
    - Negative results do not eliminate the need for quarantine if exposed

# “Surveillance Testing” of Defined Populations

## Goal is to prevent introduction into facility or patients

- Targeted testing
  - Recommended at least weekly (2X per week ideal)
  - Staff AND incoming inpatients
- If staff or incoming persons are asymptomatic
  - Positive results would recommend PCR confirmation (Isolate until results received)
  - Negative results taken at face value
- If symptomatic employee – shouldn’t be at work!
  - Get tested outside
  - Isolate until results received
  - Report results to workplace
- If symptomatic incoming inpatient
  - Positive results taken at face value – isolate and keep precautions in place
  - Negative results confirmed with PCR
- Must have strategy for follow-up PCR testing in place

# Requesting BinaxNOW™ Ag Test Cards

- For additional test cards, complete and submit a BinaxNOW® Resource Request Form for Long Term Care Facilities (available at: <https://ky.readyop.com/fs/4iY5/ac9d> through 12/30/2020)
- KDPH staff will review and process resource requests daily
- KDPH will distribute test cards from the state warehouse and/or through UPS

## KDPH Points of Contact

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# Kentucky Health Information Exchange (KHIE) Portal

<https://khie.ky.gov/COVID-19/Pages/Direct-Lab.aspx>

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# Reporting Requirements

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# Reporting Requirements

- All positive test results need to be reported
  - KHIE Portal or KHIE Electronic Lab Report feed
  - Clinical information reported separately if a clinical visit is involved
    - KDPH COVID-19 Case Investigation Form (Fillable)
    - <https://khie.ky.gov/COVID-19/Pages/Direct-Lab.aspx>
- All BinaxNOW Ag Test Cards utilized
  - Need to be reported in aggregate
    - Total tests performed each day
    - Total positive results each day
  - Online survey for this purpose
  - <https://tinyurl.com/KyLabCovidAggRpt>
- Who reports may vary depending on facility and scenario

# Q/A and Points of Contact

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