



## DHS Health Alert Network

### COVID-19: Health Alert #6

**New website enables health care providers to request COVID-19 lab testing supplies**

**Providers encouraged to visit [covid19supplies.wi.gov/Testing](https://covid19supplies.wi.gov/Testing)**

On Monday, April 20, the State of Wisconsin launched a new website for health care providers to request COVID-19 testing supplies. The website URL is [covid19supplies.wi.gov/Testing](https://covid19supplies.wi.gov/Testing).

The State of Wisconsin is making supplies available to facilitate laboratory COVID-19 testing at no charge for qualifying Wisconsin clinicians, local and tribal health centers, clinical laboratories and others collecting specimens in response to COVID-19. The supplies provided through the site are intended to help Wisconsin achieve the goal of providing testing for all who have influenza like illness symptoms.

Testing supplies available through [covid19supplies.wi.gov/Testing](https://covid19supplies.wi.gov/Testing) include:

- **TM/Swab Only – Room Temperature Stable:** specimen collection materials including commercial M4 room temperature stable viral transport media (VTM) and a nasopharyngeal (NP) swab. *NOTE:* these are currently in very limited supply.
- **VTM/Swab Only – Refrigerated:** specimen collection materials including FDA approved CDC protocol VTM and a NP swab. *NOTE:* materials require refrigerated storage.
- **VTM/Swab/Diagnostic Testing – Exact Sciences:** specimen collection materials including room temperature stable saline VTM and a NP swab including specimen analysis at Exact Sciences. *NOTE:* media specifically validated for testing to be performed solely at Exact Sciences. For more information go to: [Exact Sciences](#)

The supplies and laboratory services available through the site are intended to expand Wisconsin's existing COVID-19 testing capacity. Please do not use these supplies and services as a substitution for using your own existing testing resources.

Health care providers can find other HAN alerts and information on COVID-19 at [dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/providers.htm](https://dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/providers.htm).

**[Order testing materials](#)**

### **About the COVID-19 Health Alert Network**

The HAN will be the primary method for sharing time-sensitive public health information with clinical partners during the COVID-19 response. Health care providers and other officials can subscribe and unsubscribe using their preferred email address at the [DHS COVID-19 website](#).