



# SARS-CoV-2 (Covid-19) IgG Antibody Test

*A simple blood test to identify previously exposed patients to Covid-19.*

## What is the SARS-CoV-2 IgG Antibody Test?

The SARS-CoV-2 (Covid-19) IgG Antibody test is a qualitative test to detect IgG antibodies to the Covid-19 virus in a patient's blood. The test is for the antibody only, and can provide insight into whether a patient has been previously exposed to the Covid-19 virus. It may also indicate prior infection which may be resolved and/or protection against re-infection.

## What Do I Need to Know About the Covid-19 Antibody Test?

- IgG antibodies develop approximately 8-11 days post-symptomatic for most people.
- A positive result indicates prior exposure to the virus; and suggests the patient is less likely to get infected or re-infected compared to those with a negative result.
- This test should not be used to diagnose a recent or active infection. Molecular PCR testing is available for patients with symptoms.
- A letter issued on 4/17/20 by the FDA suggested that patients with the IgG antibodies may be able to resume work and daily activities. And they may also be eligible to serve as potential donors of convalescent plasma.
- The specimen requirement is one gold SST, which can be drawn in your office, or drawn at a MACL PCC draw site.

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Specimen Requirements: One 4-10ml Gold Top SST Tube