



Interpretation of COVID-19 Test Results			
Result	Interpretation	Clinician Action Steps	Public Health Epidemiologist
Positive	Detected	Contact patient with result and confirm continuation of home isolation.	Report to local health department
Negative	Not detected	Contact patient with result and discontinue self-quarantine.	No action
Test Not Performed (TNP)	No result	Consider retest ONLY if clinically indicated. Review symptoms with patient prior to test order.	No action
Inconclusive	See test result comment. Does not mean a positive test. Inhibitor or bacterial overgrowth limited test performance.	Consider retest ONLY if clinically indicated. Review symptoms with patient prior to test order.	No action