

Key Resources from Methodist Hospital

All healthcare facilities in the county, including Methodist Hospital, must provide diagnostic testing for COVID-19 to the following individuals who seek or request testing:

- All symptomatic persons, regardless of age, comorbidities, or other risk factors for COVID-19.
- All persons with or without COVID-19 symptoms, who report that they were a close contact of a laboratoryconfirmed or probable case of COVID-19, including anyone exposed in a "high-risk setting" within 2 and 14 days prior to presenting for testing.

"High-risk setting" means a setting in which workers are at a high risk for exposure to SARS-CoV-2 due to frequent faceto-face interaction with members of the public or residents of a congregate setting (e.g., nursing facility, shelter, jail) and the inability to maintain physical distancing at work, including, but not limited to, first responders, staff of congregate settings, pharmacy employees, food service workers, delivery workers, public transportation operators, and grocery clerks.

Healthcare facilities who provide COVID-19 diagnostic testing, including Methodist Hospital, may seek payment from the patient's group health plans or health insurance issuers for any fees, costs or charges incurred in ordering or completing such diagnostic testing. Healthcare facilities, including Methodist Hospital, shall comply with all state and or federal laws prohibiting patients from being billed for fees, costs or charges related to diagnostic testing for COVID-19.