



GeneXpert COVID rapid test approval process

There is a limited global supply of COVID-19 cartridges to operate the GeneXpert platforms. Therefore, POC testing should be used for cases where this will provide clinical or public health advantage, compared with usual laboratory based testing. The criteria for decision making are detailed in Attachment 1 *COVID-19 Primary Care Response, Guidance for the rational use of Point-of-Care Testing in primary care.*

Location	Health Service	Day/time rapid test available	Approver	Contact number
Metropolitan				
Perth	PathWest Nedlands Fiona Stanley Hospital	0800-2200 Mon-Fri 1000-2000 Sat, Sun public holidays 24/7	Statewide on call public health physician in consultation with PathWest	93280553
Tertiary hospital inpatients and ED admissions	COVID-19 rapid testing is coordinated internally. Contact the on call infectious disease physician or clinical microbiologist			
Goldfields				
Esperance	Esperance Hospital	0800-1600	Regional Medical Director or Dr Louise Pearn	9080 5888
Kalgoorlie	Kalgoorlie Health Campus	0700-2200 daily	Regional Medical Director or the Regional Public Health Physician	9080 5888
Kalgoorlie	Bega Garnbirringu Health Service	Internal use only	Senior Medical Officer Bega Garnbirringu Health Service	Internal use only
Blackstone, Kiwirrkurra, Warakuna and Warburton	Ngaanyatjarra Health Service	Internal use only	Senior Medical Officer Ngaanyatjarra Health Service	Internal use only

Laverton	Laverton Hospital	0900-1700	Regional Medical Director or the Regional Public Health Physician	9080 5888
Tjuntjunjara	Spinifex Health Service	Internal use only	Senior Medical Officer Spinifex Health Service	Internal use only
Wiluna	Ngangganawili Aboriginal Health Service	Internal use only	Senior Medical Officer Ngangganawili Aboriginal Health Service	Internal use only
Great Southern				
Albany	Albany Health Campus	0830-1630 daily	Regional Medical Director or Hospital Medical Director	98922222
Kimberley				
Broome	Broome Hospital	0800-1600	Regional Physician, Regional Paediatrician or Regional Public Health Physician	9194 2222 9194 1630 (office hours only)
Balgo	Balgo Health Centre	Internal use only	Senior Medical Officer Balgo Health Centre	Internal use only
Beagle Bay	Beagle Bay Health Centre	Internal use only	Senior Medical Officer Balgo Health Centre	Internal use only
Bidyadanga	Bidyadanga Health Centre	Internal use only	Senior Medical Officer Bidyadanga Health Centre	Internal use only
Bililuna	Bililuna Health Centre	Internal use only	Senior Medical Officer Bililuna Health Centre	Internal use only
Derby	Derby Aboriginal Health Service	Internal use only	Senior Medical Officer Derby Aboriginal Health Service	Internal use only
Derby	Derby Hospital	0800-2200 daily	Regional Physician, Regional Paediatrician or Regional Public Health Physician	(08) 9193 3333 9194 1630 (office hours only)
Fitzroy Crossing	Fitzroy Crossing Hospital	Internal use only	Regional Physician, Regional Paediatrician or Regional Public Health Physician	(08) 9193 3333 9194 1630 (office hours only)

Halls Creek	Yuri Yungi Medical Service	Internal use only	Senior Medical Officer Yuri Yungi Medical Service	Internal use only
Kalumburu	Kalumburu Clinic	Internal use only	Regional Physician, Regional Paediatrician or Regional Public Health Physician	(08) 9193 3333 9194 1630 (office hours only)
Kununurra	Kununurra Hospital	0800-1600	Regional Physician, Regional Paediatrician or Regional Public Health Physician	9194 2222 9194 1630 (office hours only)
Kununurra	Ord Valley Aboriginal Health Service	Internal use only	Senior Medical Officer Ord Valley Aboriginal Health Service	Internal use only
Midwest				
Geraldton	Geraldton Regional Hospital	0800-1700 daily	Hospital Medical Director, Regional Medical Director or Regional Public Health Physician	9956 2222
Carnarvon	Carnarvon Hospital	0800-1700 daily	Hospital Medical Director, Regional Medical Director or Regional Public Health Physician	9956 2222
Carnarvon	Carnarvon Medical Service Aboriginal Corporation	Internal use only	Senior Medical Officer Carnarvon Medical Service Aboriginal Corporation	Internal use only
Meekatharra	Meekatharra Hospital	Internal use only	Hospital Medical Director, Regional Medical Director or Regional Public Health Physician	9956 2222
Mt Magnet	Geraldton Regional Aboriginal Medical Service, Mt Magnet clinic	Internal use only	Senior Medical Officer Geraldton Regional Aboriginal Medical Service, Mt Magnet clinic	Internal use only
Wiluna	Ngangganawili Aboriginal Health Service	Internal use only	Senior Medical Officer Ngangganawili	Internal use only

			Aboriginal Health Service	
Pilbara				
Port Hedland	Hedland Health Campus	0830-1630 Mon-Fri	Regional Medical Director	9174 1000
Jigalong	Puntuturnu Aboriginal Medical Service	Internal use only	Senior Medical Officer Puntuturnu Aboriginal Medical Service	Internal use only
Karratha	Karratha Hospital	0830-1630 Mon-Fri	Regional Medical Director	9174 1000
South West				
Bunbury	Bunbury Hospital	0800-1800 Mon-Fri; 1000-1700 Sat-Sun	Regional Medical Director	9791 2244
Wheatbelt				
Narrogin	Narrogin Hospital	0800-1700 Mon-Fri; 0800-1100 Sat-Sun	Regional Medical Director	9690 1300
Northam	Northam Hospital	0800-1700 Mon-Fri; 0800-1100 Sat-Sun	Regional Medical Director	9690 1300

Attachment 1. *COVID-19 Primary Care Response, Guidance for the rational use of Point-of-Care Testing in primary care*

Insert POCT Clinical guidance for cartridges - endorsed 2 July 2020.pdf

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