Testing Compliance versus Non-Compliance

Unpleasant ← Motivated to get tested → Pleasant

COVID-19 test

Non-compliance consequence
PCR Saline Gargle (SG)

- Sensitivity: superior to antigen and PCR NP tests
- Cost of supplies/lab personnel: less than half compared to antigen tests*
- Results delivery time: Same day or next day compared to 2 hours for antigen tests*
- Collection process: minimal supervision required for self-administered tests

* Direct PCR technology significantly reduces cost and processing time
Spring 2021 COVID-19 Test Sites

- Main Test Site
- Add-on Test Site for Testing Blitzes
- SG Test Site
Integration of Test Registration and Wildcat WellCheck
Recommendations for Reentry and Surveillance Testing

• All students who will spend time on campus will get tested before the semester begins (January 6 – 12)

• Dorm students will be required to get tested weekly (~5,000 per week)

• Off-campus students enrolled in courses with an in-person component on the main campus will be required to get tested weekly (~3-4,000 per week)

• Off-campus students spending time on-campus but not enrolled in courses with an in-person component will be expected to get tested within 7 days prior to spending time on the main campus (~3-4,000 per week)

Kiara Kimmons at North Rec Antigen Testing Site
Recommendations for Compliance and Exemptions

Compliance

• UArizona Wi-Fi access restrictions
• Registration holds (considered, but not currently planned)

Exemptions

• Medical, religious, disability, etc.
• Positive virus test (90-days)
• Positive antibody test – TBA
• Vaccine exemptions – TBA
Recommendations for Reentry and Surveillance Testing

Diverse working group convened to consider options for a faculty and staff testing program

- Chairs: Leila Barraza (Associate Professor, Public Health)  
  Steve Holland (Chief Risk Officer)

- Intended for faculty and staff who will spend time on-campus

- Opt-in or mandatory testing under consideration

In the interim, employees are strongly encouraged to take advantage of the free and convenient COVID-19 testing resources on campus.