

OCEAN BEACH HOSPITAL & MEDICAL CLINICS: COVID-19 COMMUNITY UPDATE—11/24/2020

LEARN MORE ABOUT HOW WE ARE WORKING TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 IN OUR COMMUNITY:

- We test patients who are symptomatic or are close contacts of known positive patients.
- We do not process COVID-19 specimens in-house. We contract with LabCorp to run all of our tests.
- LabCorp has taken on average 3 days to process, with some tests taking up to 11 days to process.
- Currently we offer the following testing options for our patients:
 - ⇒ Patients who present to the emergency department and meet criteria for testing.
 - ⇒ Patients who are admitted to the hospital and are symptomatic.
 - ⇒ We offer drive-up testing for symptomatic patients with an order from one of our providers.
- Anticipating the need for in-house testing, we decided on the Cepheid analyzer (PCR test) which would provide OBHMC with the ability to process samples in-house. The benefits are greater accuracy, no need for a second test, and fewer false negatives. We have had delays in implementation due to supply chain issues with cartridges. We will be on allotment and will need to prioritize same day tests.
- We fully supported the Pacific County Emergency Operations Center (PCEOC) drive-through testing by utilizing our contract with LabCorp to obtain supplies and processes all PCEOC drive through samples and sending them out to LabCorp.
- We also help with overflow and test patients who are referred by the Pacific County Public Health Department.
- We are collaborating with PCEOC and Peninsula Pharmacies to expand testing in South Pacific County.
- We requested supplies from the state for rapid testing supplies. We are currently working on a plan for use.

Thank you for your support. We are here to serve you!



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