



Yavapai County

Our Mission: "Yavapai County will serve and protect its citizens through efficient management of all its resources to enhance the lives of those we serve."



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When to Test for COVID-19

The following testing guidelines follow CDC recommendations:

Who should get tested? People with symptoms of COVID-19 such as fever, cough, fatigue, sore throat, and loss of taste or smell should get tested. People who have come into close contact with someone with a known case of COVID-19 should get tested 5-7 days after their exposure. Getting tested before this may cause an inaccurate result. People who have been referred to get tested by their school or healthcare provider should get tested following the guidelines of the referring organization.

Who should NOT get tested? People who have tested positive once should not get tested again within 3 months unless they develop new symptoms. People can test positive for varying lengths of time after having COVID-19 and do not need a negative test result to return to work or school. People who were not exposed to someone with a known case of COVID-19 should not get tested. People who were exposed to a close contact of a known case of COVID-19 should not get tested unless the person they were exposed to tests positive.

Testing is a valuable resource! Our goal is to protect the health and well-being of the community, and this means prioritizing the testing of people with new COVID-19 symptoms, people at high-risk for COVID-19, and people with known exposures to COVID-19.

For testing locations please visit: www.azdhs.gov/covid19/index.php#everyone-get-tested

Yavapai County reports 615 COVID-19 Cases and 20 Deaths since Monday, November 8, 2021. The county has tested 98,241 residents for COVID-19 in the past 6 months, and there have been **30,102** positive cases and **735** deaths since the beginning of the pandemic. Yavapai Regional Medical Center reports **59** COVID-patients, VVMC reports **21** patients, and the VA has **4** COVID-19 patients. The County is still experiencing high transmission of COVID-19 with a **17.9%** positivity rate and **348** cases per 100,000 residents for the week ending October 31, 2021.

Appointments for the COVID-19 vaccine and boosters can be made through www.yavapaiaz.gov/chs or www.vaccines.gov. If you are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 or what seems to be a bad cold, please get tested for COVID-19 and/or Flu.

ADHS COVID-19 Hotline – (844) 542-8201 (select Option 8) – helps in English and Spanish from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. seven days a week, except for major holidays. Information on boosters also is posted at azdhs.gov/Boosters. Information on Monoclonal Antibodies in English: [ADHS - Everyone - Monoclonal Antibodies \(mAbs\) \(azdhs.gov\)](http://ADHS-Everyone-MonoclonalAntibodies(mAbs)(azdhs.gov)), and in Spanish: ADHS - Todos - Anticuerpos Monoclonales (azdhs.gov)

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