Visitor information Sheet: Rapid Antigen Testing Butterfly, Kookaburra and Rosella wards



The Royal Children's Hospital (RCH) has strict health and safety measures in place to ensure all our patients, families and staff, including our visitors, stay well and receive the highest quality care while with us.

With COVID-19 still active in the community, exposures at hospitals will happen.

How Rapid Antigen Testing works at the Royal Children's Hospital?

As part of our ongoing efforts to protect some of our most vulnerable patients from COVID-19 infections, visitors to Butterfly, Kookaburra and Rosella wards will be required to undertake a rapid antigen test on specified days before coming into the hospital.

Days visitors are required to have a rapid antigen testing are different depending on the ward you visit. Here are the days you will need a rapid antigen test:

| Butterfly ward | Tuesday, Thursday, Sunday |
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| Kookaburra ward | Monday, Wednesday, Friday |
| Rosella ward | Wednesday, Friday |

Rapid antigen testing is a quick COVID-19 screening tool, with result in 15 minutes. It works by detecting antigens or proteins on the surface of the COVID-19 virus.

The test will be provided free of charge by the Visitor Support team at the main entrance of the Royal Children's Hospital.

If you need a rapid antigen test, allow about 20 minutes for checking-in.

Other COVIDSafe measures

Please continue to do all the other things we can to keep each other safe. This includes getting vaccinated, wearing a mask (covering your chin and nose), staying home if you are unwell, maintain social distancing and getting tested immediately if you have any symptoms of COVID-19.

Further information

We will continue to refine our rapid antigen testing processes in line directions from the Department of Health.

If you have any questions, please refer them to your Nurse Unit Manager or visit <u>rch.org.au/info</u>

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