

## **Sanitas Coverage for COVID-19 Testing, effective as of March 15, 2021**

With the aim of optimizing the timely diagnosis of symptomatic cases of the COVID-19 infection by SARS-CoV2, as of March 15, 2021, the preferred method of diagnostic testing will be the rapid antigen test, both in a family and community medicine outpatient setting as well as in emergency rooms.

The Sanitas protocol for prescribing tests for patients who present symptoms that are consistent with a suspected COVID-19 infection by SARS-CoV 2 will be:

1. Rapid antigen test (code 178340) as the first-choice test.
2. PCR testing (code 178011) in case the antigen test is not conclusive, either because the antigen test is negative but the symptoms that are consistent with infection persist, or because the symptoms started more than 5 days before. In either case, the patient will need a medical report that will be evaluated by Sanitas before Sanitas authorizes and pays for the test.

This protocol is in accordance with the Spanish Ministry of Health's latest technical recommendations on the use of diagnostic tests for COVID-19 and is subject to periodic review based on the evolution of the pandemic.

The rapid antigen test is the first-choice test when testing is indicated. Coverage is limited to symptomatic patients who are suspected of a COVID-19 infection with an evolution less than or equal to five days. The test is not covered for asymptomatic patients or contacts.

Under Sanitas coverage, the tests are performed in the laboratories belonging to Sanitas medical facilities, by appointment only. The patient can make an appointment at these centers through the Mi Sanitas APP, online, or by calling Sannitas customer service.

Patients who have obtained a prescription for the test may make an appointment to have the test done at any of the following Sanitas centers:

- **Hospital Universitario La Zarzuela**
- **Centro Médico Milenium Reina Victoria**
- **Centro Médico Milenium Conde Duque**
- **Centro Médico Valdebebas**
- **Centro Médico Milenium Las Rozas**
- **Centro Médico Milenium Alcorcón**
- **Centro Médico Milenium Núñez de Balboa**
- **Hospital Universitario La Moraleja**
- **Centro Médico Milenium Costa Rica**
- **Centro Médico Milenium Nicasio Gallego**

- **Centro Médico Milenium Alcobendas**
- **Hospital Virgen del Mar**
- **Centro de Bienestar Pozuelo**

Sanitas coverage for PCR testing (code 178011) is limited to cases in which a patient presents symptoms that are consistent with a suspected COVID-19 infection and his/her antigen test is NOT conclusive, either because the antigen test is negative but the symptoms that are consistent with infection persist, or because the symptoms started more than 5 days before. In either case, the patient will need a medical report which Sanitas will evaluate before authorizing the PCR. Unlike the antigen test, the PCR test is carried out in laboratories that have agreements with Sanitas, as well as in the laboratories belonging to Sanitas medical facilities. The patient must take the documentation showing that the test has been previously authorized by Sanitas with them to the laboratory.