

Risk Assessment

Why is this document needed: Public Health England and the Health and Safety Executive require this documentation to ensure end to end health, safety and infection control risks for mass lateral flow testing are identified, pre-assessed, managed and monitored regularly by the site owners and testing operators

Assessment Date	19/01/2021	Lead Assessor	Louise Allbury	Contract		Assessment Number	
Activity / Task							
Description of task / process / environment being assessed	General and clinical activities on the asymptomatic testing site at The Bromfords School and Sixth Form College						
Activities Involved	Traversing the site on foot Testing school staff and students					Location	Library at The Bromfords School and Sixth Form College
Who Might be affected	Employee ✓	Client ✓	Contractor ✓	Visitor ✓	Service User ✓		

Hazard Identification and evaluation							
No	Hazards	Associated risks	Current Control/ Mitigation Measures	Risk Evaluation (post measures)			Additional control needed?
				Probability	Severity	Risk	Action No
1	Contact between subjects increasing the risk of transmission of COVID19	Transmission of the virus leading to ill health or potential death	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asymptomatic: All subjects are to be advised in advance not to attend if they have any symptoms of COVID 19, or live with someone who is showing symptoms of COVID 19 (including a fever and/or new persistent cough) or if they have returned within 14 days from a part of the world affected by the virus or have been in close contact with someone who is displaying symptoms. • Face masks: Prominent signage reminding attending subjects of the above to be displayed at the entrance to the building. • Face coverings/masks to be worn by subjects at all times whilst on the premises except for brief lowering at time of swabbing. • Requirement to wear face covering/mask to be reminded to all subjects in advance at time of test booking. • Compliance with wearing of face covering/mask of all subjects to be visually checked on arrival by reception / security staff. • Compliance with wearing of face covering/mask of all subjects to be visually checked through building by queue managers and all other staff. • Hand hygiene: All subjects to use hand sanitiser provided on arrival & adherence to this enforced by reception staff. • Social distancing: Two metre social distancing to be maintained between subjects with measured floor markings in place to ensure compliance in addition to verbal reminders if necessary from reception, queue management & sampling staff. • A one-way flow of subjects through the building is to be initiated and maintained at all times. Compliance with this is to be ensured by queue management staff. • Cleaning: Regular cleaning of the site including wipe down of all potential touchpoints in accordance with PHE guidance. • Limited clutter-chairs only on request; no physical handing of documents to subjects except barcodes and PCR test kits for first 200 subjects 	1	4	4	
2	Contact between subjects and staff increasing the risk of transmission of COVID19 : <u>Welcome & registration</u>	Transmission of the virus leading to ill health or potential death	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Face masks: Prominent signage reminding attending subjects of the above to be displayed at the entrance to the building. • Face coverings/masks to be worn by subjects at all times whilst on the premises except for brief lowering at time of swabbing. • Requirement to wear face covering/mask to be reminded to all subjects in advance at time of test booking. • Compliance with wearing of face covering/mask of all subjects to be visually checked on arrival by reception / security staff. • Compliance with wearing of face covering/mask of all subjects to be visually checked through building by queue managers and all other staff. 				

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3	Contact between subject and sampler increasing the transmission of COVID19: Sample taking	Transmission of the virus leading to ill health or potential death	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Face masks: Prominent signage reminding attending subjects of the above to be displayed at the entrance to the building. • Face coverings/masks to be worn by subjects at all times whilst on the premises except for brief lowering at time of swabbing. • Requirement to wear face covering/mask to be reminded to all subjects in advance at time of test booking. • Compliance with wearing of face covering/mask of all subjects to be visually checked on arrival by reception / security staff. • Compliance with wearing of face covering/mask of all subjects to be visually checked through building by queue managers and all other staff. • Hand hygiene: All subjects to use hand sanitiser provided on arrival & adherence to this enforced by reception staff. • Social distancing: Two metre social distancing to be maintained between subjects with measured floor markings in place to ensure compliance in addition to verbal reminders if necessary from reception, queue management & sampling staff. • A one-way flow of subjects through the building is to be initiated and maintained at all times. Compliance with this is to be ensured by queue management staff. • Cleaning: Regular cleaning of the site including wipe down of all potential touchpoints in accordance with PHE guidance. <p>Limited clutter-chairs only on request; no physical handing of documents to subjects except barcodes and PCR test kits for first 200 subjects</p>				
4	Contact between sample and test centre runner increasing the transmission of COVID19: Sample transport	Transmission of the virus leading to ill health or potential death	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Face masks: Prominent signage reminding attending subjects of the above to be displayed at the entrance to the building. • Face coverings/masks to be worn by subjects at all times whilst on the premises except for brief lowering at time of swabbing. • Requirement to wear face covering/mask to be reminded to all subjects in advance at time of test booking. • Compliance with wearing of face covering/mask of all subjects to be visually checked on arrival by reception / security staff. 				

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5	Contact between samples and sample testers increasing the transmission of COVID19: Sample processing & analysis.	Transmission of the virus leading to ill health or potential death	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Face masks: Prominent signage reminding attending subjects of the above to be displayed at the entrance to the building. Face coverings/masks to be worn by subjects at all times whilst on the premises except for brief lowering at time of swabbing. Requirement to wear face covering/mask to be reminded to all subjects in advance at time of test booking. Compliance with wearing of face covering/mask of all subjects to be visually checked on arrival by reception / security staff. Compliance with wearing of face covering/mask of all subjects to be visually checked through building by queue managers and all other staff. Hand hygiene: All subjects to use hand sanitiser provided on arrival & adherence to this enforced by reception staff. Social distancing: Two metre social distancing to be maintained between subjects with measured floor markings in place to ensure compliance in addition to verbal reminders if necessary from reception, queue management & sampling staff. A one-way flow of subjects through the building is to be initiated and maintained at all times. Compliance with this is to be ensured by queue management staff. Cleaning: Regular cleaning of the site including wipe down of all potential touchpoints in accordance with PHE guidance. <p>Limited clutter-chairs only on request; no physical handing of documents to subjects except barcodes and PCR test kits for first 200 subjects</p>				
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	<u>disposal and waste disposal</u>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compliance with wearing of face covering/mask of all subjects to be visually checked through building by queue managers and all other staff. Hand hygiene: All subjects to use hand sanitiser provided on arrival & adherence to this enforced by reception staff. Social distancing: Two metre social distancing to be maintained between subjects with measured floor markings in place to ensure compliance in addition to verbal reminders if necessary from reception, queue management & sampling staff. A one-way flow of subjects through the building is to be initiated and maintained at all times. Compliance with this is to be ensured by queue management staff. Cleaning: Regular cleaning of the site including wipe down of all potential touchpoints in accordance with PHE guidance. <p>Limited clutter-chairs only on request; no physical handing of documents to subjects except barcodes and PCR test kits for first 200 subjects</p>				
7	Incorrect result communication	Wrong samples or miscoding of results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 identical barcodes are provided to subject at check in The subject registers their details to a unique ID barcode before conducting the test Barcodes are attached by trained staff at the sample collection bay Barcodes are checked for congruence at the analysis station 1 and applied to Lateral Flow Device at this station 				
8	Damaged barcode, lost LFD, failed scan of barcode	Orphaned record on registration portal & No result communicated to individual	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rule based recall of subjects who have not received a result within x hrs of registration Subjects are called for a retest 				
9	Extraction solution which comes with the lab test kit contains the following components: Na ₂ HPO ₄ (disodium hydrogen phosphate), NaH ₂ PO ₄ (sodium phosphate monobasic), NaCl (Sodium Chloride)	These components do not have any hazard labels associated with them, and the manufacturer states that there are no hazards anticipated under conditions of use as described in other product literature. This is the case for exposure to: eye, skin, inhalation, ingestion, chronic toxicity, reproductive and developmental toxicity, carcinogenicity, and medical conditions aggravated by exposure.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PPE: nitrile gloves which meet the Regulation (EU) 2016/425 to be used at all times when handling the extraction solution. Safety glasses with side shields which are tested and approved under appropriate government standards to be worn at all times when handling the extraction solution. Impervious clothing to be worn to protect the body from splashes or spillages. Environmental: do not let product enter drains Spillages: wipe surfaces which the solution has been spilt on and dispose of cleaning material in line with the lab's waste disposal procedures Do not use if the solution has expired Training to be provided in handling potentially biohazardous samples, chemicals and good lab practice. Adhere to guidelines in these training procedures to prevent improper handling. Follow procedures on the MSDS form provided by Innova to mitigate against inhalation, skin contact or ingestion of these chemicals. 				

10	Occupational illness or injury						
11	Manual handling						
12	Unauthorised access by members of the public	Safeguarding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School based safeguard procedures to be followed at all times to include non-admittance to site of individuals who have not undertaken our robust safeguard checks. 				
13	Uneven surfaces (floor protection in the Testing and Welfare areas)	Trips and falls	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School based Health and Safety Policy to be in place Daily and frequent checking of flooring to ensure it is fitted as per manufacturer's instructions 				
14	Stairs to / from sample processing / registration area and welfare space	Trips and falls	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure workforce are aware of one way system Appropriate footwear to be worn by workforce Timely cleaning of any spillages 				
15	Inclement weather	Temperature control of testing site and testing kits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure air flow is sufficient to ensure temperatures are kept low Review the use of heating system during cold weather Undertake regular checks using thermometer 				
16	Electrical safety / plant & equipment maintenance Defective electrical equipment	Harm to users	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Abide by Health and Safety policy to include Portable Appliance Testing by qualified individual on a regular basis Remove any defected equipment for repair 				
17	Use of shared equipment	Virus spreading and compromise of IT security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow cleaning regime Non sharing of passwords 				
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20	Extraction solution which comes with the lab test kit contains the following components: Na_2HPO_4 (disodium hydrogen phosphate), NaH_2PO_4 (sodium phosphate monobasic), NaCl (Sodium Chloride)	These components do not have any hazard labels associated with them, and the manufacturer states that there are no hazards anticipated under conditions of use as described in other product literature. This is the case for exposure to: eye, skin, inhalation, ingestion, chronic toxicity, reproductive and developmental toxicity, carcinogenicity, and medical conditions aggravated by exposure.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PPE: nitrile gloves which meet the Regulation (EU) 2016/425 to be used at all times when handling the extraction solution. Safety glasses with side shields which are tested and approved under appropriate government standards to be worn at all times when handling the extraction solution. Impervious clothing to be worn to protect the body from splashes or spillages. • Environmental: do not let product enter drains • Spillages: wipe surfaces which the solution has been spilt on and dispose of cleaning material in line with the lab's waste disposal procedures <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not use if the solution has expired • Training to be provided in handling potentially biohazardous samples, chemicals and good lab practice. Adhere to guidelines in these training procedures to prevent improper handling. • Follow procedures on the MSDS form provided by Innova to mitigate against inhalation, skin contact or ingestion of these chemicals. 				

Control Improvements				
Action No	Recommended additional control measures	Responsibility	Target Date	Date completed
1	Content of the risk assessment to be communicated with all workers as part of induction	Covid Coordinator	Roll out date	
2	Toolbox talks to be delivered to all workers on a regular basis including slips trips falls and complacency	Covid Coordinator	Roll out date and upon induction of new workforce member, then bi-weekly to entire workforce	

Additional Notes

Risk Evaluation

		Consequence of event occurring (Severity)				
		Negligible	Minor	Moderate	Major	Critical
Likelihood of event occurring (Probability)	Almost Certain	Tolerable 5	Substantial 10	Intolerable 15	Intolerable 20	Intolerable 25
	Likely	Tolerable 4	Substantial 8	Intolerable 12	Intolerable 16	Intolerable 20
	Possible	Trivial 3	Tolerable 6	Substantial 9	Intolerable 12	Intolerable 15
	Unlikely	Trivial 2	Tolerable 4	Tolerable 6	Substantial 8	Substantial 10
	Rare	Trivial 1	Trivial 2	Trivial 3	Tolerable 4	Tolerable 5

Likelihood

- Rare**, will probably never happen/recur
- Unlikely**, do not expect it to happen, but is possible
- Possible**, Might happen
- Likely**, will probably happen
- Almost Certain**, will undoubtedly happen

Severity

- Negligible
- Minor
- Moderate
- Major
- Critical

Risk control strategies

- Intolerable** – stop activity, take immediate action to reduce the risk
- Substantial** - Take action within an agreed period
- Tolerable** – monitor the situation
- Trivial** – No action required

Declaration - If the above control measures are implemented the risks posed by the task / process / environment assessed will be controlled to as low as is reasonably practicable.

Persons involved in assessment	
Signature of Lead Assessor	Date

Reviews – this assessment should be reviewed at intervals no greater than 12 months or when there are changes in operational procedure, personnel, the work environment or following an incident

Review date	Comments	Reviewed by	Signature	Review date	Comments	Reviewed by	Signature

Health and Safety Risk Assessment Sign off Sheet	Assessment Number	
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