

# FAQ

## Test for Active SARS-CoV-2 that causes COVID-19 from MicroGenDx

**How much is the test?** The price ranges from \$129-\$180. The price is determined by how much assistance you will need from our office, how fast we need to ship the test, or if you are taking it for your information.

**Will insurance cover it?** We will attach a medical form that you can submit for reimbursement. There is a chance that they will not cover it because we are a dental office. We are told this should not happen, but you never know with your carrier. The IC10 code is U07.1

### What kind of test is this?

- It is a PCR, Polymerase Chain Reaction test, also referred to as a molecular test. It is a salivary test that will test for the presence of Active SARS-CoV-2.
- In comparison, two types of tests use blood samples.
  - One that uses serum after a blood draw that is generally testing for antibodies. Some of these may also provide active COVID status; results take days.
  - And one that uses blood from a pinprick, Rapid Diagnostic Test, or RDT. These tests give results in minutes. We all want this type of test to work because they give results so fast, but they are NOT ready for predictable use. These are the tests talked about in the news for having such unpredictable results.

### Why do we like this particular PCR/Molecular test?

- This test uses saliva - which is proving to be better than swabs. Lots of support in research for this. <https://news.yale.edu/2020/04/24/saliva-samples-preferable-deep-nasal-swabs-testing-covid-19>
- It is highly specific- 99% accurate in picking up only the SARS-CoV-2 virus. Some other tests are mistakenly picking up another coronavirus.
- If it is inconclusive They will repeat the test at no charge, you will only pay for shipping.
- It has Emergency Use Authorization. <https://www.fda.gov/medical-devices/emergency-situations-medical-devices/emergency-use-authorizations>

**Where can I get more info on this test?** [www.MicroGenDx.com](http://www.MicroGenDx.com). Phone# 1-855-208-0019

**How do I request a test?** We will have a test shipped to your home. If you want this test for your information, send your request to office [@ChoicesInDentistry.com](mailto:@ChoicesInDentistry.com).

Here is a news story about the test when it was introduced. <https://youtu.be/gLm6Oc1HFo0>