

York Teaching Hospitals FT – How to access an antibody test

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What is the antibody test?

- Antibody tests are now being provided free of charge by the NHS to anyone in paid adult social care employment, whether they have had symptoms or not.
- The antibody test is a voluntary blood test which involves taking blood from the arm and determines whether you have had Coronavirus.
- Antibody test results will help to understand the prevalence of the virus across the country and may be helpful in the future if scientific research is released with conclusive findings about immunity.
- It is important to note there is currently no evidence to show that someone cannot be re-infected with the virus, or pass it on to others, or have protective immunity. This means anyone with a positive antibody test will need to continue following government guidelines, such as social distancing and using PPE.

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Site locations and opening times

Initial testing is being delivered through Seacroft Hospital:

- **Peppermill Court**
Ramsay Close, Clifton, York, YO31 8SS

Testing is open:

- Mon – Fri
- 08:00 - 17:00

There will be up to 100 slots available daily. These **must be booked** using the dedicated line.

Please **read, complete, and print** the attached consent form if you have access to a printer. This will reduce chance of delay.

If you don't have access to a printer, paper copies will be available at Peppermill upon arrival.

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How to book

- To request an antibody test, please call the below number between 8am and 5pm Mon-Fri:
 - **01904 725817**
- You will need to provide your name, DOB and either your NHS number or address.

If you encounter any challenges to booking antibody tests, including any suggestions for improving access, please contact the DHSC regional coordinators for the North East & Yorkshire by contacting the below email:

David Smith / Anish Patel
antibodytesting@dhsc.gov.uk

