

Airedale / Bradford – 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 two sites:

- **St Lukes Hospital** Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0NA
- **Skipton General Hospital** Keighley Rd, Skipton BD23 2RJ

The booking systems for these two sites will be the same however the methods by which you receive your results will be different.

Before booking for this test it is important that you understand the purpose and value of the test, and to help with this there are a list of frequently asked questions included in the attached consent form.

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How to book

To request an antibody test simply select one of the links below and follow the booking process

St Lukes

- <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/30962719409>

Skipton general

- <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/antibody-tests-for-community-staff-skipton-hospital-30962753647>

You will need to provide your name, DOB and either your NHS number or address and availability to attend – preferred days etc.

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:

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