Reentry Supplemental Testing

In order to protect our campus and community, all employees who regularly work on campus, who do not complete a surveillance/supplemental test during the winter break and who will be returning to work on or after January 4, 2021, are strongly encouraged to complete a supplemental reentry test prior to returning.

Reentry testing is an essential part of our public health strategy and important to assist us in limiting the spread of COVID-19. Your assistance is vital for this important program.

Local units are asked to consider staggering the date employees are required to return to work on campus to support the reentry testing expectation and to allow our employees to have the full benefit of the winter holiday break. In the event it is imperative to have employees working on campus on January 4, 2021, those employees will be strongly encouraged to have a test at one of our surveillance testing sites on Saturday, January 2, 2021.

Prior to arriving for reentry supplemental testing, employees are to access the Daily Check home page and make an appointment for a supplemental test. Symptomatic employees are not permitted to test at a surveillance site and instead should seek a diagnostic test at a Cayuga Health site or through their primary care physician. When registering be sure to use your netid@cornell.edu email address.

Pay Guidance

Employees required to work on campus Monday, January 4, 2021, who are not able to maintain physical distancing, are strongly encouraged to complete a test at a Cornell collection site on Saturday January 2.

- Non-exempt employees who are directed to and complete a test on Saturday will be paid 4 hours of pay at their regular rate of pay. *

All others are strongly encouraged to complete a test at a Cornell collection site their first day scheduled to be back on campus. Please have samples collected as early in the day as possible. If unable to maintain physical distancing, while carrying out their responsibilities, they are encouraged to work remotely, if possible, for the remainder of the day.

- Faculty and exempt staff who cannot maintain physical distancing while working are encouraged to complete a test 2 days prior to their scheduled return to campus.

*For employees covered by a collective bargaining agreement, the terms of the agreement will apply.