Instructions for Facilities **Capable** of Shipping Directly to Santa Clara County Public Health Lab

This guidance is relevant for testing at a Public Health Lab, to be facilitated by Santa Cruz County Public Health’s Communicable Disease Unit. This guidance is not relevant for testing through commercial labs.

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1. **Sample Type** (*specimen collection may be different for commercial labs*):
   - Nasopharyngeal swab in vial of VTM or equivalent ie. UTM, VCM.
   - Lower respiratory sample if patient is productive.

2. **Send Samples to:**
   - **Mon-Sun 8am-5pm**
   - **ATTN:** Brandon J. Bonin MS, PHM Assistant Director
   - Santa Clara County Public Health Laboratory
   - Santa Clara County Public Health Department
   - 2220 Moorpark Ave, 2nd Floor
   - San Jose, CA 95128
   - Ph: 408-885-4272
   - Fax: 408-885-4275

   **After hours / Weekends**
   - Phones are not regularly staffed
   - Notify Santa Clara County by E-mail
   - Brandon.Bonin@PHD.SCCGOV.ORG

3. **Fill out forms:**
   - [CDC PUI Form](#)
   - [COVID-19 Public Health Laboratory Testing Form](#)

4. **E-mail both forms to the contact information below, and send hard copies of both forms with samples to Santa Clara County:**

   E-mail forms to:
   - HSACD@santacruzcounty.us
   - Gerrod.Murai@santacruzcounty.us
   - Brandon.Bonin@phd.sccgov.org