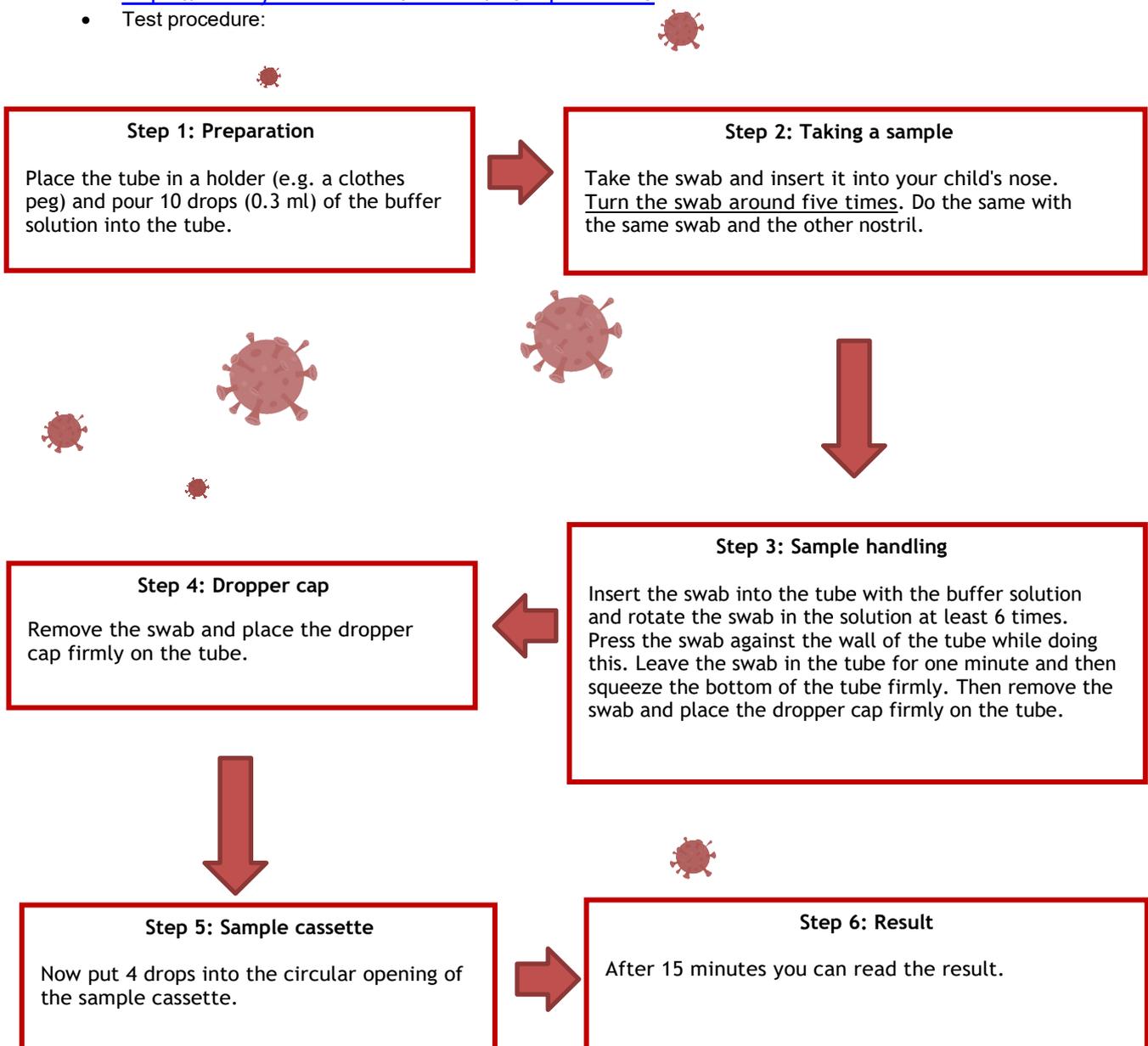


Infographic on rapid testing of children aged 3 years and older

Guidance on rapid testing of children in child day care

- Parents will have the opportunity to test their children aged three years and older for SARS-CoV-2 infection **once a week at home using a rapid swab test** from **17/05/2021**. The social authorities will provide the necessary tests free of charge and the parents will get them from their child day care centres. Testing is voluntary.
- To familiarise yourself with how to take the test, we recommend the following video: <https://www.hamburg.de/bsb/14961744/torben-erklaert-den-coronatest/> and <https://www.youtube.com/embed/A0EqaSBurX0>.
- Test procedure:



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Dealing with the test result

- Ideally, the children are tested on Mondays before attending the day care centre and additionally when signs of illness occur, which could indicate an infection with SARS-CoV-2 (see below, cause-related rapid testing).
- The parents inform the child care centre of the result. The person responsible for the test at the day care centre documents the test results anonymously (Info for the day care centres: For this, please use the Excel spreadsheet "Sozialbehörde_Monitoring Kita Eigenschnelltests für Beschäftigten und Kinder ab 3 Jahren).
- In particular, parents must inform the day care centre immediately of a positive test result so that a PCR test can be arranged for confirmation.
- The public health department does not have to be informed by the parents or the day care centre - this is done by the doctor conducting the PCR test.
- The following chart gives more information about rapid tests and how to deal with symptoms of disease:



Regular, random quick tests once a week at home before the start of care (e.g. Mondays)

Prompt self-tests for symptoms such as:

- Elevated temperature above 37.5° / fever
 - Cold, cough or any other respiratory symptom
 - Headache and/or aching limbs
 - Loss of the sense of smell and or taste
 - Nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea

or in the case of a confirmed infection in the neighbourhood, if you have not been classified as a contact person by the public health department but

NEGATIVE

At the moment, there is a **low risk** that the child has been infected with SARS-CoV-2. It may also be that the virus is not yet detectable at present. This is only a snapshot. The health of the child must continue to be monitored.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter!

POSITIVE

The child is most likely infected with the Corona virus!

- The parents report the positive test result to the day care centre.
- The child must be **quarantined!** It is strongly recommended that the entire family of the household goes into voluntary self-isolation.
- Parents must arrange a **PCR retest** with an infectious disease clinic or paediatrician. Appointments can be made online at: <https://eterminservice.de/ter-minservice> or by calling 116 117. The child is only allowed to leave the home isolation with a CPA/FFP2 mask for a short period to have the PCR test performed. The use of public transport is not permitted.
- **For further information, please contact your local health authority!**

NEGATIVE

The child must stay at home until he or she has been symptom-free for 48 hours.

If the child's symptoms worsen, PCR testing is recommended:

- after consultation with the paediatrician by telephone, or
- about an appointment by calling 116 117 to agree it.