

# Nasopharyngeal Swab

## WHAT TO EXPECT DURING YOUR TEST

Follow these steps to have the most comfortable nasal swab test.

### WHAT TO EXPECT BEFORE

#### Let your tester know if...



You have ever had bad nose or sinus problems



You wear a medical alert bracelet



You take medicine that thins your blood



You have any questions

### WHAT TO EXPECT DURING

#### Information to Consider

- The test will only take 10-15 seconds.
- It is **very important** that you do not move during the test, this may cause pain.
- The swab will be put into your nostril and pushed gently to the back of your nose where you will feel a tickle or scratching.
- The tester will use his/her hand to steady your head.
- Mild discomfort or odd feelings are common, but the test should not cause pain.

### AFTER THE TEST

You may feel some mild discomfort in the back of the nose for a short time.

Bleeding from the nose is rare - If it continues, contact your doctor.

Results should be available within 24 to 48 hours.