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RE: Updated Routine Staff Testing Guidance for community-based care

providers

Oregon's strategy for testing of COVID-19 in staff and residents continues to be an essential part of overall care and safety of long-Term Care residents. This guidance alters the frequency by which community-based care providers must conduct **routine** COVID-19 testing.

Testing must be conducted according to frequencies contained in the following table, based on Oregon county COVID-19 risk levels:

	Lower Risk	Moderate Risk	High Risk	Extreme Risk
CBC Routine Staff Testing	Routine testing once a month.	Routine testing once a week.	Routine testing once a week.	Routine testing once a week.

You may locate the risk of your facility's county at the <u>Map of Risk Level by County</u>. As a reminder, facility testing strategies must include routine testing of facility staff and associated staff. Facilities are still required to maintain documentation of routine staff testing.

For additional information about Oregon testing standards, see the <u>COVID-19</u> <u>Testing OAR 411-060.</u>

If you have any questions, please contact your assigned Policy Analyst directly, or the CBC team at CBC.Team@dhsoha.state.or.us

The email address <u>SOQ.LTCinfo@dhsoha.state.or.us</u> is also available for questions specific to COVID, long-term care baseline testing and other related topics.