Aneurin Bevan University Health Board

Information to support care home swabbing for COVID-19

Step 1:

Check and confirm all contents are present

- **A.** List of staff to be tested & the corresponding request forms
- **B.** List of residents to be tested & the corresponding request forms
- C. Swabs
- **D**. Small rectangular sample bags
- **E.** Envelope bags
- **F.** Large pathology transport bags

Step 2:

Check the staff and residence lists (A & B) are correct.

Please note, if you need to make amendments to your staff or residents listing, please let us know as soon as possible. We only need the list of people that require updates.

Step 3:

Collect Samples using the swabs **(C)** and add it to small rectangular sample bags **(D)**. Please visit: <u>www.abuhb.nhs.wales/coronavirus/information-to-support-self-swabbing-in-care-home-settings</u> for more information.

The swabbing process MUST be completed within 48 hours of delivery. Under only exceptional circumstances are handwritten labels to be used during this process.

Handwritten labels do not link back to a specific care home and you will not be automatically informed of the results. It also delays processing causing delays to your result.

Step 4:

Record time and date of each sample on the individual's sheet/labels (A & B)

Step 5:

Place one sticker on the swab vile. DO NOT ADD STICKERS TO ANY BAGS.

Step 6:

Double-bag sample and sheet/labels (A/B & D)

Step 7:

Place all samples into the Large pathology transport bags (F)

Step 8:

Call our testing team on [insert either dispatch or main call centre] to arrange collection.

