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Subject: Further COVID-19 testing available on-site as part of research study - Updated

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Updated: Employee testing centre will open pending final regulatory approval. Please check torontopearson.com/testing for information on opening date.

Today, the GTAA announced participation in a robust COVID-19 testing research study to be conducted at Toronto Pearson. The continued effort to prevent the spread of COVID-19 to workers, passengers and our surrounding communities, means we will be able to offer free, voluntary rapid PCR and antigen COVID-19 testing on-site for airport workers and departing passengers.

The research study, supported in part by funding from the National Research Council of Canada Industrial Research Assistance Program (NRC IRAP), is designed to explore the effectiveness of rapid testing in a live environment. Airport workers will be able to participate, regardless of their role, employer or work location.

Voluntary participation in testing provides additional reassurance by supporting the rapid detection and identification of airport workers with the virus who are not experiencing symptoms and ensuring they leave the workplace and immediately follow public health guidance for self-isolation and contact tracing.

Information about testing for airport workers

- Airport workers will be able to participate on a voluntary basis, regardless of their role, employer or work location.
- Workers who have [symptoms of COVID-19](#) will not be eligible for this study, and should contact their local public health unit for direction.
- There will be no charge for COVID-19 testing.
- The Airport Worker Testing Site will be located in Terminal 1 on Level 2 on the South platform
- Testing centre hours will be available to airport workers starting Monday, March 8. Registration is required. Check torontopearson.com/testing for current appointment and hours information.

Thank you for your cooperation as we continue to evolve COVID-19 safety protocols and protect the Toronto Pearson workforce.

For more information on airport worker COVID-19 testing, please contact: Jeffrey Barrow, Associate Director, Regulatory Compliance and Infrastructure, GTAA at jeffrey.barrow@gtaa.com