

Informed Consent for In-Person Testing Services During COVID-19 Pandemic

This document contains important information about our decision (yours and mine) to meet in-person in light of the COVID-19 public health crisis. Please read this carefully and let me know if you have any questions. When you sign this document, it will be an official agreement between us.

Decision to Meet Face-to-Face

We have agreed to meet in person for your/your child's testing session(s). If there is a resurgence of the pandemic or if other health concerns arise, however, you or I may request to postpone the testing process.

Risk of Opting for In-Person Services

You understand that by coming to the FamilyFirst office, you/your child is assuming the risk of exposure to the coronavirus (or other public health risk).

Your Responsibility to Minimize Your Exposure

To obtain services in person, you/your child agree to take certain precautions which will help keep everyone (you, me, and our families, other staff and other patients) safer from exposure, sickness and possible death. If you do not adhere to these safeguards, it may result in our postponing testing services.

Initial each item below to indicate that you understand and agree to these actions:

- You/your child will only keep your in-person appointment if you/your child are symptom-free. ____
- Clinicians and clients will wear masks in all common areas of the office even if vaccinated. ____
- You/your child will adhere to the safety precautions we have set up in the office and therapy room. ____
- You/your child will take steps between appointments to minimize exposure to COVID-19. ____
- If you/your child have been in close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19, you will immediately let me know and we will decide together what precautions to take. ____

FamilyFirst may change the above precautions if additional local, state or federal orders or guidelines are published. If that happens, we will talk about any necessary changes.

Our Commitment to Minimize Exposure

FamilyFirst has taken steps to reduce the risk of spreading the coronavirus within the office and we have posted our efforts on the following page and in the office. Please let me know if you have questions about these efforts.

If You or I Are Sick

You understand that I am committed to keeping you, me, and all of our families safe from the spread of this virus. If you show up for an appointment and I believe that you have a fever or other symptoms, or believe you have been exposed, I will ask you to leave the office. We can reschedule when appropriate.

If I or anyone close to me test positive for the coronavirus, I will notify you so that you can take appropriate precautions.

Your Confidentiality in the Case of Infection

If you/your child have tested positive for the coronavirus, I may be required to notify local health authorities that you have been in the office. If I have to report this, I will only provide the minimum information necessary for their data collection and will not go into any details about the reason(s) for our visits. By signing this form, you are agreeing that I may do so without an additional signed release.

Informed Consent

This agreement supplements the general informed consent/business agreement that we agreed to at the start of our work together.

Your signature below shows that you agree to these terms and conditions.

Client Name

Date

Client Signature (if over 18 years old) or Parent/Guardian Signature

Clinician Name

Date

Clinician Signature

Office Safety Precautions in Effect During the COVID-19 Pandemic

FamilyFirst is taking the following precautions to protect our clients and help slow the spread of the coronavirus.

- To minimize exposure to other clients/clinicians, we ask that clients come to our waiting room no more than 5 minutes prior to your scheduled start time.
- We schedule appointments at specific intervals to minimize the number of people in the office each day.
- Please maintain social distancing guidelines while in our waiting room.
- Clinicians and clients will wear masks at all times in common areas (even if vaccinated). The decision to wear masks in your individual therapy/testing room will be made jointly between your clinician and you/your child.
- A medical-grade air purifier will be in each therapy office.
- Hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol is available in the therapy room, the waiting room, and at the reception counter. Clinicians and clients are encouraged to sanitize hands regularly.
- Restroom soap dispensers are maintained and everyone is encouraged to wash their hands regularly.
- Office items that are commonly touched will be thoroughly sanitized after each use and common areas will be thoroughly disinfected at the end of each day.