

MCAS Iwakuni COVID Testing Procedures

Starting 30 Jan 2021, all mandated testing for SARS-CoV-2 will be conducted at the MCAS Iwakuni Branch Health Clinic (BHC). This testing will occur seven days a week from 8-10 a.m. at the BHC ambulance bay.

ROM Exit Testing and Close Contact Quarantine Testing

Your command/sponsor will tell you what day to report to the BHC.

Please proceed by foot or POV directly to the BHC ambulance bay, maintaining social distancing at all times. Posted signs will direct you where to queue or park your vehicle. Do not travel in a vehicle with anyone you are not presently quarantining with.

Please bring your CAC card, wear a face mask, and maintain social distancing at all times.

If it is raining and you do not have a POV, your command or sponsor will help with transportation or provide additional guidance.

Accompanied new joins in the direct to domicile program will be picked up and transported to the BHC by the MCAS Iwakuni COVID Cell.

If you have any questions or concerns about this process, please contact your command.

*****A NEGATIVE TEST DOES NOT MEAN YOUR ROM ENDS EARLIER THAN 14 DAYS. YOU MUST BE RELEASED BY YOUR CHAIN OF COMMAND.*****

Please note:

- You must travel directly to the BHC ambulance bay and directly back to your current residence (Kintai Inn / TLF / Unaccompanied Housing / Barracks Room / Family Housing Unit). Failure to comply with this direction will be met with punitive or administrative action.
- You must wear a mask and practice social distancing at all times.
- Uniformed Service Members who violate this guidance for testing will be violating previously provided ROM order and be subject to punishment under the UCMJ; civilians who violate this order may face criminal and/or administrative sanctions to include debarment.

Sentinel Testing

Report to the BHC ambulance bay between 8-10 a.m. on the designated day then proceed to your normal duties. Your command will contact you with your test results.

Pre-Travel Testing:

If proof of an upcoming flight (orders or itinerary) is presented to BHC medical staff during the 8-10 a.m. testing window, a diagnostic test will be performed on all travelers. Unlike the test methods outlined above, printed results will be provided to the traveler on-site. Those records will be available at patient records, located on the first deck of the BHC, approximately one hour after test samples are taken. Results can also be found on tri-care online. It is the traveler's responsibility to maintain these results. The Branch Health Clinic will not be providing these results to the terminal or commercial airlines.

Medical staff will review records and provide previous test results and appropriate clearance documentation for travelers who have previously contracted COVID-19, and were tested by the BHC or other medical provider.