

Dear CECAD members,

Please be informed about a change of the University Hospital for the employee testing procedures, which which concerns the measures/procedure when you received a red corona-app alert. The changes are highlighted in the table.

Employee testing (according to UKK regulations, as at 10.1.2022)

Occasion-related testing of employees	With symptoms	→	PCR test before starting work (regardless of vaccination status)*
	Without symptoms WITH exposure (contact) to a positive tested person (unprotected or only partially protected with med. mouth-nose protection, contact > 10 min. in closed rooms)	→	Vaccinated: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Single exposure (contact): every 2 days PCR-test for 10 Days** › Continuous exposure (e.g., household contact): for each working day a PCR test for a duration of 10 days** Not vaccinated: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Quarantine for 10 days › if attendance at work is inevitable AND only one-time exposure, work attendance is possible: everyday PCR testing for 14 days**;
	Red Alert-App	→	Regardless of vaccination status: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › In case of potential unprotected contact (e.g. restaurant visit): regular PCR testing (see above) and report to KPM team** › Unprotected contact not remembered: NO PCR test, NO report to KPM team but daily symptom monitoring for 10 days - PCR test if symptoms (see above).
Testing of UKK employees ONLY according to Infection Protection Law	Vaccinated	→	2 tests/week rapid-test (self-test, can be done at home)***
	Unvaccinated	→	Daily rapid test (with certificate) before starting work, must be checked in the lab, without test no admission to work

* if there is no fever and work is absolutely necessary, then work in presence is possible as an exception, provided that in addition to the PCR test, a rapid test is carried out before work and this test is negative. While working, wear an FFP2 mask until the PCR test result is available avoid unprotected contacts during working hours.

** plus daily symptom monitoring, FFP-2 mask requirement, no unprotected break contacts for monitoring period.

*** Antigen rapid tests are handed out in the labs, antigen test result with date of test performance must be sent to schnelltestmeldung@uk-koeln.de, if rapid test is positive, please perform a PCR test and wait for result at home - DO NOT start work, inform KPM team at University Hospital via email (kpm-covid19@uk-koeln.de).

Very best wishes,
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