

# Candida auris Testing

*Candida auris* (*C. auris* for short) is a drug-resistant germ (fungus) that can spread in healthcare facilities.



## Why is *C. auris* a special concern?

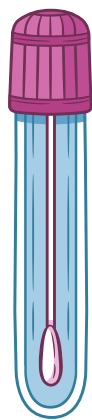
*C. auris* can cause life threatening infections and only a few medicines may be able to treat the infection. There has been an increase in *C. auris* in our community.

### How to know if you have *C. auris*

- You need a lab test to confirm if you have *C. auris*
- *C. auris* can make you very sick or you can have it without any symptoms, that is called colonization.
- You can spread *C. auris* even without symptoms.

### Why are we testing for *C. auris*?

1. If you have *C. auris* you may need different medicines to treat an infection\*.



2. If you have *C. auris* it can spread to others, and they might become sick.

Scan the QR code for more information on *C. auris* colonization



## TESTING FOR *C. AURIS*



Staff will use soft swabs to test areas of your body like your armpits or groin.



Staff may wear a gown and gloves when caring for you.

## HAVE YOU HAD *C.AURIS*?

Tell all healthcare workers if you have ever tested positive for *C. auris*, even if you aren't sick now.



## What will the *C.auris* results mean?



- If your *C. auris* test is positive it means you are carrying the *C. auris* fungus.
- Healthcare workers may need to take extra precautions when giving you care.

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