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Why should I wear mask?

Wearing a mask protects those around you if you are asymptomatic. Mask act as a physical barrier between yourself and others to prevent spread while you talk, sing, cough, or sneeze. Masks can also protect yourself from others who are infected.

How do I know it's working?

Your cloth mask fits snugly but comfortably against the side of the face. Completely covers the nose and mouth and is secured with ties or ear loops. Includes multiple layers of fabric. Allows for breathing without restriction. Can be laundered and machine dried without damage or change to shape

Can I get re-infected with COVID?

Yes! Like the seasonal flu, studies have shown that you lose your immunity after being infected in as little as 90 days. There is minimal evidence that people who have recovered from COVID-19 have antibodies and are protected from a second infection.

What if I just tested negative?

It is possible for this test to give an incorrect negative result (false negative)
You might test negative if the sample was collected early during your infection.

