**Instructions for patients and information on testing in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (centre name)**

Hello and welcome.

We are healthcare staff from the HSE Covid 19 testing centre. As a precaution in this Covid-19 crisis we are testing all residents in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ centre name.

This is what happens during a test:

**Stage 1**

We will take a swab from your throat and nose-this will not hurt you.

I will give you a pack with an information leaflet, paper tissue and a mask.

Please stand to the side as directed and blow your nose using the tissue provided.

Place the used tissue in the bin as directed.

Please put the mask on and do not remove it until instructed to do so.

**Stage 2**

You will be asked to proceed to one of the testing stations.

The staff will instruct you to take down your mask.

You will be asked to tilt your head backwards- Open your mouth for the swab to be taken

Then a nose swab will be taken.

Put your face mask back on.

Leave the Testing Centre as directed and return to your room.

Thank you for your co-operation