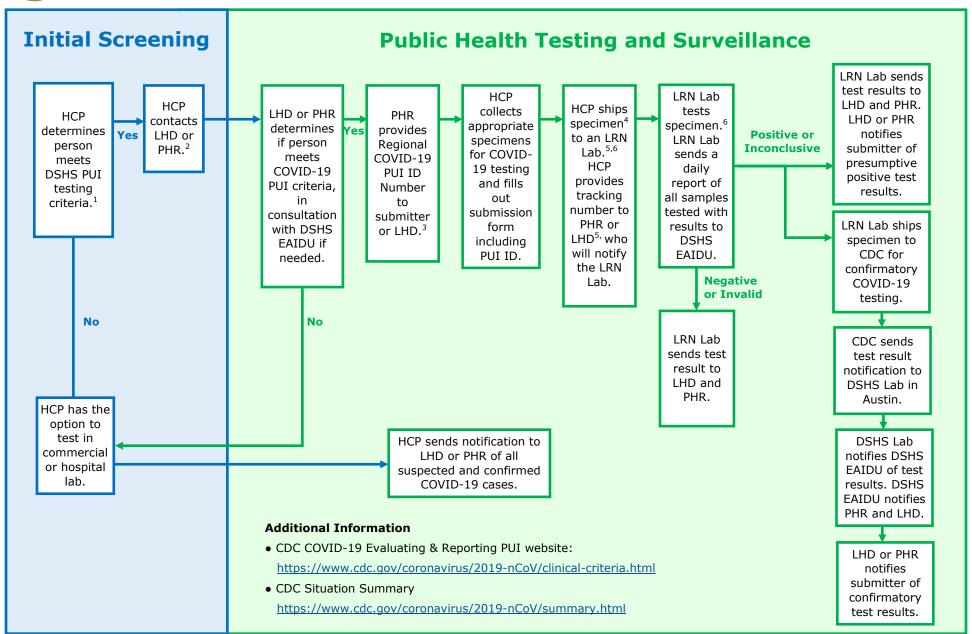
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**Acronyms:** CDC - Centers for Disease Control & Prevention; DSHS - Texas Department of State Health Services; HCP - Healthcare Provider; LHD - Local Health Department; LRN - Laboratory Response Network; PHR - Public Health Region; PUI - Person Under Investigation

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- <sup>1</sup> PUI Testing Criteria at <a href="https://www.dshs.state.tx.us/coronavirus/docs/DSHSCriteriatoGuideTestingofPUI.pdf">https://www.dshs.state.tx.us/coronavirus/docs/DSHSCriteriatoGuideTestingofPUI.pdf</a>
- <sup>2</sup> Find your Local Health Department and Public Health Region: <a href="https://www.dshs.texas.gov/regions/2019-nCoV-Local-Health-Entities/">https://www.dshs.texas.gov/regions/2019-nCoV-Local-Health-Entities/</a>.
- <sup>3</sup> Submitter may include health care facilities and providers, among others.
- <sup>4</sup> PHR/LHD approval is needed before specimens are shipped to the appropriate Texas Laboratory Response Network (LRN) Lab.
- <sup>5</sup> Specimens submitted to the DSHS State Lab in Austin from another LRN jurisdiction must be approved by DSHS EAIDU before the specimens are shipped to the DSHS Lab in Austin. Tracking number shall be provided by email or phone to DSHS EAIDU.

<sup>6</sup> Find your LRN Lab at <a href="https://www.dshs.state.tx.us/lab/eprLRNcontact.shtm">https://www.dshs.state.tx.us/lab/eprLRNcontact.shtm</a>.

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