

## SIERRA LEONE GOVERNMENT NATIONAL COVID-19 EMERGENCY RESPONSE CENTRE (NACOVERC) FREETOWN

Saturday, February 27, 2021

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Further to the public notice issued on the 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2021, advising the general public of the COVID-19 testing sites across the country, NaCOVERC wishes to remind the public that <u>COVID-19 tests for people in Sierra Leone are free of charge</u> as the cost will be entirely borne by the Government of Sierra Leone. You are encouraged to make full use of this free service. Being tested is the only way to know for sure whether you have the COVID-19 virus. By knowing your status you can make informed decisions to protect your family and those around you.

<u>COVID-19 tests for international travellers are not free.</u> The cost of COVID-19 tests for international travellers must be borne by the traveller. Those planning to travel internationally by air must:

- Register on the Government of Sierra Leone's travel portal at <a href="www.travel.gov.sl">www.travel.gov.sl</a> to receive a unique I.D. number;
- Pay for their COVID-19 test SLL500,000 for standard service or SLL700,000 for premium service;
- Be tested for COVID-19 at an approved location;
- Hold a negative COVID-19 test certificate issued within 72 hours of their flight.

Only international travellers with these certificates will be permitted to board the plane. This applies to all international travellers who are 5 years old and above.

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