

COVID-19 Coverage Expanded to Include Over-the-Counter Kits for Diagnostic Tests



An earlier announcement from the federal government has increased access to COVID-19 testing. As of January 15, 2022, you can get reimbursed by your health plan for the costs of over-the-counter COVID-19 diagnostic tests until the end of the Coronavirus Public Health Emergency. Diagnostic tests are performed if you are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms or have been recently exposed.

You can also request COVID-19 at-home tests through the [federal government](#).

Who should take a test and when?

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) provides guidelines for who should get a diagnostic test and when based on your current health, your vaccination status, and your history of infection. Visit the CDC website for the most [up-to-date testing guidance](#).

How do I know if I'm eligible to receive an over-the-counter COVID-19 diagnostic test through my medication plan?

Please call the Pharmacy Member Services number on the back of your ID card to verify your coverage details. If you are eligible, you can purchase an over-the-counter COVID-19 diagnostic test from a local retail pharmacy in your plan's network, based on availability. Your medication plan will cover the cost.

Which over-the-counter COVID-19 diagnostic tests are covered by my medication plan?

In order to receive benefits under your medication plan, you must purchase tests from the following list of options.

Manufacturer	Label name	Number of tests per package	NDC / UPC
ACON	FLOWFLEX COVID-19 AG HOMETEST	1	82607-0660-26
ACCESS BIO	ON/GO COVID-19 ANTIGEN SELF-TEST	2	60006-0191-66
ABBOTT	BINAXNOW COVID-19 AG CARD HOME TEST	2	11877-0011-40
ORASURE	INTELISWAB COVID-19 RAPID TEST	2	08337-0001-58
QUIDEL	QUICKVUE AT-HOME COVID-19 TEST	2	14613-0339-72
QUIDEL	QUICKVUE AT-HOME COVID-19 TEST	5	14613-0339-68
ACON	Flowflex COVID-19 Ag Home Test In Vitro Kit	2	82607-0660-27
ACON	Flowflex COVID-19 Ag Home Test In Vitro Kit	5	82607-0660-28

What will my out-of-pocket costs be when purchasing a covered COVID-19 diagnostic test through my medication plan?

When you buy a covered over-the-counter COVID-19 diagnostic test at a pharmacy in your plan's network, your out-of-pocket cost will be \$0. Simply show the pharmacist your member ID card and ask them to submit a claim.

Each individual on your plan can get up to eight over-the-counter tests each month.

CVS Pharmacy offers an option which allows you to order your tests online and pick them up at the store. [Follow these instructions.](#)

Can I be reimbursed for my out-of-pocket costs for COVID-19 diagnostic tests that are not covered by my medication plan?

If you purchase a COVID-19 test that is not covered by your plan, you will need to pay for it at the pharmacy. Then, you can submit a prescription claim reimbursement form to us, along with a copy of your receipt(s). You will be reimbursed up to \$12 per test.

Can my pharmacy deliver the COVID-19 diagnostic test to my home?

Check with your local pharmacy to see if they have any home delivery or shipping options that might work for you. You will need to pay for any delivery and shipping costs not currently covered under your medication plan.

Can I be reimbursed for my out-of-pocket costs for COVID-19 diagnostic tests I have already purchased?

Yes, you can be reimbursed for tests purchased on or after January 15, 2022. You will need to submit a prescription claim reimbursement form, along with a copy of your receipt(s). You will be reimbursed up to \$12 per COVID-19 diagnostic test.

Where can I find a prescription claim reimbursement form?

If you are a member of Blue Cross of Idaho, please use [this form](#).

If you live in the state of New York, please use [this form](#).

If you live anywhere else, please use [this form](#).

Where should I send the prescription claim reimbursement form?

You can return the form and your receipts to the address on the form.

Besides pharmacies, where else can I order an over-the-counter COVID-19 diagnostic test?

You can still request a test through the [federal government](#). You will be allowed to order two sets of four at-home tests per household during the Coronavirus Public Health Emergency.

Additionally, COVID-19 diagnostic tests can be purchased online or from a big-box store, and you can file a prescription claim reimbursement form to us.

You can still use in-person diagnostic COVID-19 testing sites. These may include your doctor's office, a pharmacy or health clinic, or an urgent care center.