

COVID-19 over-the-counter (OTC) at-home testing



Effective January 15, the federal government is requiring that health insurers and group health plans cover the cost of FDA-authorized or approved over-the-counter (OTC) at-home COVID-19 tests.

HealthSelectSM Medicare Rx (PDP) has extended coverage for U.S. Food & Drug Administration (FDA) authorized or approved OTC at-home COVID-19 test kits (“COVID-19 test kits”) purchased on or after January 15, 2022 to participants enrolled in HealthSelectSM Medicare Rx (PDP) plan.

Who is covered for at-home COVID-19 test kits?

Participants enrolled in HealthSelectSM Medicare Rx (PDP) will be eligible to get up to eight (8) individual COVID-19 test kits per covered participant each calendar month without a prescription.

Which COVID-19 test kits are covered?

Coverage includes OTC at-home COVID-19 test kits authorized or approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). Look for an FDA Emergency Use Authorization label on the package. The most common tests are BinaxNOWTM, i-Health, InteliSwabTM, On/GoTM, COVID-19 at-home test kits (Roche) and QuickVue.

Where can I get a test kit?

You can get COVID-19 test kits at no cost to you using your HealthSelectSM Medicare Rx member ID card:

- To buy a test kit without submitting a reimbursement form, go to the pharmacy counter at any Rite Aid (including Bartell Drugs), Sam’s Club, Walgreens (including Duane Reade) or Walmart and present your HealthSelectSM Medicare Rx (PDP) member ID card. The list of pharmacies is subject to change. Ask to have your OTC at-home COVID-19 test kit(s) submitted to your plan for coverage. To get the latest list of preferred in-network pharmacies, please call UnitedHealthcare Customer Service toll-free at **(866) 868-0609**, (TTY: **711**), 7 a.m.–7 p.m. CT, Monday–Friday; 7 a.m.–3 p.m. CT, Saturday.
- If you buy a COVID-19 test kit at other stores or online retailers, submit your purchase receipt(s) for reimbursement of up to \$12 per test kit, for a total of 8 kits each calendar month

Please note that some pharmacies and other stores are experiencing supply shortages for COVID-19 test kits.





Your plan will reimburse you for up to eight (8) individual COVID-19 test kits per covered member per calendar month without a prescription. Your plan will reimburse you up to \$12 per COVID-19 test kit when you submit a claim. The amount you pay for COVID-19 test kits does not apply to your Medicare Part D out-of-pocket costs. Payments made for COVID-19 test kits are treated differently from payments made for drugs in your plan's drug list (formulary).

Is there a limit to how many COVID-19 test kits will be covered?

Yes. Covered members can get up to eight (8) individual test kits per calendar month.

How do I submit a claim?

If you paid out-of-pocket for a COVID-19 test kit that you bought on or after January 15, 2022, [click here to submit a claim](#).

When can I submit my claim?

You can submit your claim now for COVID-19 test kits purchased on or after January 15, 2022. Please submit your claim within one year of your purchase date.

Where can I get a COVID-19 test kit at no cost without submitting a reimbursement form?

You can purchase COVID-19 test kits at any Rite Aid (including Bartell Drugs), Sam's Club, Walgreens (including Duane Reade) or Walmart. The list of pharmacies is subject to change. There will be no upfront cost and no requirement to submit a claim for reimbursement. Simply go to the pharmacy counter, present your HealthSelectSM Medicare Rx (PDP) member ID card, and ask to have your COVID-19 test kit submitted to your plan for coverage. To get the latest list of preferred in-network pharmacies, please call UnitedHealthcare Customer Service toll-free at **(866) 868-0609**, (TTY: **711**), 7 a.m.–7 p.m. CT, Monday–Friday; 7 a.m.–3 p.m. CT, Saturday.

Where can I learn more about COVID-19 test kits?

- For more information, visit [CMS.gov](https://www.cms.gov)
- You can also order four (4) free COVID-19 test kits from [covidtests.gov](https://www.covidtests.gov)

How long will HealthSelectSM Medicare Rx cover COVID-19 test kits?

Coverage for COVID-19 test kits for members enrolled in HealthSelectSM Medicare Rx (PDP) continues to evolve. [Sign in to your online account](#) and check the COVID-19 Resources page to find updated information as it becomes available.

If there are other questions, please call the number on the back of your HealthSelectSM Medicare Rx (PDP) member ID card.