United Healthcare

COVID-19 Testing – Over-the-Counter at Home Testing Coverage

UAW Retiree Medical Benefits Trust Members

The federal government confirmed May 11, 2023, as the end of the Public Health Emergency (PHE). UnitedHealthcare has been planning for this change and reviewing recent guidance from government agencies about how the end of the PHE affects COVID-19 vaccines, testing and treatment.

The UAW Trust is extending coverage for U.S. Food & Drug Administration (FDA) authorized or approved over-the-counter at-home COVID-19 test kits ("COVID-19 test kits"). UAW Trust members enrolled in the UAW Retiree Medical Benefits Trust (UnitedHealthcare MAPD) plan can receive two (2) tests per member, every 31 days at no cost. This coverage is available through December 31, 2023.

Who is covered for at-home COVID-19 test kits?
Members enrolled in UAW Trust UnitedHealthcare MAPD.

What is the coverage?
Members can receive two (2) tests per member, every 31 days at no cost. This can be two (2) individual tests or one (1) box including two (2) tests.

Which COVID-19 test kits are covered?
Coverage includes over-the-counter at-home COVID-19 test kits authorized or approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). Tests can be two (2) individual tests or one (1) box including two (2) tests.

Where can I get a COVID-19 test kit?
To purchase a COVID-19 test kit, you must go directly to the pharmacy counter at any Optum in-network retail pharmacy locations and present your UnitedHealthcare MAPD member ID card and ask to have your COVID- 19 test kit(s) submitted to your plan for coverage. Coverage is not available outside of in network pharmacies.

Is there a limit to how many COVID-19 test kits will be covered?
Yes. Covered members can get up to two (2) individual COVID-19 test kits every 31 days.

How long will UAW Trust cover COVID-19 test kits?
This coverage will continue through December 31, 2023. All 2024 benefit changes will be included in your Benefit Highlights mailed to you in the fall.