



LHD Testing Update

Updated Test Ordering Process for Local Health Departments

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) has implemented an updated COVID-19 test ordering process to support over the counter (OTC) testing. This allows local health departments the ability to directly order OTC test kits from MDHHS.

Given supply availability and procurement, orders may be filled with any of the following types of tests. Sites should ensure that these tests are listed on their CLIA waivers to maintain compliance with federal regulations. The types of tests that may be used to fulfill orders include:

- I Health COVID-19 Antigen Rapid Test
- BinaxNOW COVID-19 Self-Test
- QuickVue At-Home OTC COVID-19 Test
- Flowflex COVID-19 Antigen Home Test

*Send CLIA waiver changes with site information and CLIA number to BCHS-CLIA@michigan.gov

*Please see this [CMS FAQ about OTC testing](#) that provides pertinent information about OTC test requirements when administered by someone else.

Distribution & Reporting:

The tests listed above are Over the Counter (OTC) antigen tests and can be distributed at the discretion of the Local Health Department EXCEPT they should **not** be provided to hospitals, colleges/universities, or physicians' offices unless they are having outbreak emergencies and need supplies until additional supplies can be procured independently. MDHHS prioritizes support of sites and populations that may have

difficulties procuring tests on their own and these types of sites have the purchasing power to obtain tests for their needs.

MDHHS also supplies tests on a regular basis to the following and asks LHDs to use discretion when supplying tests to them given that MDHHS provides them with the needed testing supplies:

- LTC (SNF, ALF, AFC, HFA, Hospice)
- Schools (K-12)
- Department of Corrections
- Jails
- Migrant Worker sites
- Psychiatric hospitals
- FQHCs
- Shelters
- Libraries
- Juvenile Justice facilities

OTC tests that are distributed and not administered by a professional individual, do not require reporting. If LHD administers an OTC test, please ensure results are reported to the [Michigan Antigen Testing Results portal](#).

Ordering Process:

Use this link to order COVID-19 OTC Test Kits at [Michigan COVID-19 Over-the-Counter Test Request Form](#).

Local Health Departments may use the [COVID Tests/Support Request Form](#) to order point of care testing supplies from MDHHS.

For questions about COVID-19 testing, please email

MDHHS-COVIDTestingSupport@michigan.gov