

Social Media: At Home Test Kits

The social media posts here are based on the federal government's announcement to directly ship free at-home COVID-19 tests to all households and to require health insurance companies to cover the cost of at-home kits.

- HHS Press Release, "*Biden-Harris Administration Requires Insurance Companies and Group Health Plans to Cover the Cost of At-Home COVID-19 Tests, Increasing Access to Free Tests*" on January 10, 2022: [HERE](#)
- COVID Tests Ordering: <https://www.covidtests.gov/>
- Health Insurance Coverage FAQ: [HERE](#)

Main takeaways - Health Insurance At-Home Test Coverage:

- Depending on your health insurance plan:
 - People may be able to obtain tests free at the point of sale by showing their insurance card (insurance may be able to cap point of sale reimbursement at \$12/test and consumer pays the difference if more)
 - People may need to keep their receipts and submit a claim to their health insurance company afterward (insurance should cover the entire cost)
- Health insurance must reimburse for up to 8 tests / person on the plan / month. For a family of four, this is 32 tests a month.
- **Medicare Advantage** plans may offer coverage for these at-home tests, but isn't a requirement.
- **Medicare Original fee-for-service** does not cover at-home test kits.
- **Medicaid** is required to make at-home tests available for those they cover. Each state is handling this differently.

Main takeaways - Free Direct Ship at-home COVID tests from Federal Government:

- 4 per home (per address)
- Free. No credit card or financial information are obtained.
- Orders will usually ship in 7-12 days.
- For those having problems placing orders online, they can call a government hotline at 1-800-232-0233 or TTY 1-888-720-7489

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