

# IHCP *bulletin*

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## IHCP to reimburse pharmacy providers for select COVID-19 tests

Effective Feb. 1, 2022, the Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) will reimburse IHCP-enrolled pharmacy providers for select coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) home test kits. Fee-for-service (FFS) and managed care pharmacy claim reimbursement is limited to specified COVID-19 home tests that have been cleared by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and authorized by the FDA under an emergency use authorization (EUA). These COVID-19 home test kits are listed in Table 1.



*Table 1 – COVID-19 home test kits reimbursable through the IHCP pharmacy benefits, effective for dates of service on or after Feb. 1, 2022*

Product name	Product NDC	Manufacturer	Number of tests/pack	Number of tests covered*
BinaxNOW COVID-19 Ag [Antigen] Card Home Test	11877-0011-40	Abbott	2	2 tests/week (7 days)
Ellume COVID-19 Home Test	50021-0860-01	Ellume	1	2 tests/week (7 days)
Ellume COVID-19 Home Test	56964-0000-00	Ellume	1	2 tests/week (7 days)
Flowflex COVID-19 Antigen Home Test	82607-0660-26	ACON Laboratories	1	2 tests/week (7 days)
Flowflex COVID-19 Antigen Home Test	82607-0660-27	ACON Laboratories	2	2 tests/week (7 days)
InteliSwab COVID-19 Rapid Test	08337-0001-58	OraSure	2	2 tests/week (7 days)
QuickVue At-Home COVID-19 Test	14613-0339-72	Quidel	2	2 tests/week (7 days)

\* Only two total tests will be covered per member per week (seven days). Purchase of a multi-test pack will take into account the number of tests in each pack and will count toward the member's weekly allotment.

IHCP pharmacy claims are limited to two tests per seven days per member.

FFS pharmacy claims will be reimbursed at the lower of the provider's usual and customary charge or the state's current maximum allowable cost (MAC), which is \$12.47500 per test.

### Pharmacy claim processing

Pharmacy claim submissions should include the National Provider Identifier (NPI) of the enrolled prescribing provider, including those responsible for collaborative practice agreements.

Pharmacy claims may also be submitted under the [Indiana Statewide Standing Order for COVID-19 Home Testing Kits](#), using the Indiana State Health Commissioner, Dr. Kristina M Box (NPI 1730161647), as prescriber.

Under provisions of the Health and Human Services (HHS) [Guidance for Licensed Pharmacists, COVID-19 Testing and Immunity under the Public Readiness and Emergency Preparedness \(PREP\) Act](#), pharmacists may also prescribe COVID-19 home test kits during the public health emergency. Pharmacy providers should use either the pharmacy's NPI or the pharmacist's NPI as the prescriber and enter National Council for Prescription Drug Programs (NCPDP) Submission Clarification Code (SCC) 42 for test kits ordered by pharmacists.

### Reminder

Prescriptions or prescriber orders are required to submit pharmacy claims. Claims for COVID-19 home tests must have a completed prescription or prescriber order, including the name of the prescriber, on file at the pharmacy from which the claim was submitted.

### For more information

Up-to-date listings of covered COVID-19 home test kits and FFS home test MAC rates can be found on the OptumRx Indiana Medicaid website, accessible from the [Pharmacy Services](#) page at [in.gov/medicaid/providers](https://in.gov/medicaid/providers).

Please direct questions about the FFS COVID-19 home test kit coverage or this bulletin to the OptumRx Clinical and Technical Help Desk by calling toll-free 855-577-6317. Questions regarding COVID-19 home test kit coverage for members in the Healthy Indiana Plan (HIP), Hoosier Care Connect and Hoosier Healthwise should be referred to the managed care entity (MCE) with which the member is enrolled.



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