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## **MDHHS alerts Michiganders about available COVID-19 testing options**

LANSING, Mich. - As fall season begins, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) encourages Michiganders to get free COVID-19 at-home tests through the federal government's COVID-19 tests website and provides additional information about state-specific testing resources.

As of Monday, Sept. 25, all U.S. residents are able to go to [COVIDTests.gov](https://www.covidtests.gov) to sign up to receive up to four free at-home tests per household delivered via the U.S. Postal Service.

For Michiganders who are thinking about plans for on-site testing, [Michigan.gov/COVIDTest](https://www.michigan.gov/COVIDTest) remains in place to assist in locating a testing location.

MDHHS also continues to partner with libraries across the state to provide free at-home COVID-19 tests to Michiganders. [Click here for a list of participating libraries.](#)

Private health insurers are no longer required to cover at-home COVID-19 tests, however [information is available regarding eligibility and options for individuals with private insurance and Medicare.](#) Under federal law, Medicaid and MICHild participants can obtain free at-home and laboratory COVID-19 tests through Sept. 30, 2024. Check with your insurer for the most up-to-date information for your specific plan.

"Testing continues to be a critical tool in managing the spread of COVID-19 and we encourage Michigan families to take advantage of the available free COVID tests to reduce the risk of spreading the virus to our loved ones and neighbors," said Dr. Natasha Bagdasarian, chief medical executive. "It is important to test for COVID but to also consider other respiratory diseases, like RSV and influenza, as we head into fall and winter when these respiratory diseases spread most easily. Please stay home if you are sick, even if you have a negative COVID test."

MDHHS encourages Michigan families to have a COVID plan that works for them. This may include keeping a supply of COVID-19 over-the-counter tests and well-fitting masks at home; getting the updated COVID-19 vaccine; and speaking to a health care provider about eligibility for therapeutics that reduce the risk of severe COVID-19 disease for those who test positive.

More information about MDHHS-sponsored testing is available at [Michigan.gov/Coronavirus](https://www.michigan.gov/Coronavirus).

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