

**OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL 139**  
**HEALTH BENEFIT FUND**

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Effective January 15, 2022, the Biden Administration mandated all health funds cover the cost of Over The Counter (OTC) COVID-19 test kits that are approved by the FDA. This benefit will be allowed until the end of the mandate or earlier if allowed by any other federal, state, or plan authority.

Q: What type of test kits are covered?

A: FDA approved COVID-19 test kits purchased from a pharmacy, in-person retailer, or on-line retailer.

Q: How many will be covered?

A: The maximum reimbursement is up to 8 tests per eligible family member per month. Many of the test kits include two tests per kit. The reimbursement is based on the number of tests, not the number of kits.

Q: Can the tests be used for employment purposes?

A: No, the health fund will not reimburse the cost of COVID-19 tests that are used for the purpose of employment.

Q: How do I know if a test kit is FDA approved?

A: Refer to the back of this document for a list of the FDA approved test kits as of January 14, 2022.

Q: How do I submit a claim to get reimbursed for the test kits I purchased for me and/or my eligible dependents?

A: You will need to pay the cost of the test kits and submit a claim to the health fund office. The process includes completing a claim form, and signing a statement that you certify the tests are being used for you and/or your dependents eligible for coverage under the health fund, the tests are not being used for employment purposes, and the tests will not be resold to anyone. You will need to include a detailed receipt that shows the brand name of the test and the cost. If the receipt is not detailed with the brand name of the tests (for FDA approval verification), you will also need to include the UPC code (barcode) from each box.

Q: How will I get reimbursed?

A: If your claim is approved, a check will be mailed to you in approximately three or four weeks after the claim is received and processed.

If you have any questions, please call the Health Fund Office at 262.549.9190. You can obtain a claim form from the website at [www.iuoe139healthfund.org](http://www.iuoe139healthfund.org) and go to the “Documents” tab for a COVID-19 Test Claim Form. All claims are subject to the rules of the Fund as detailed in the Summary Plan Description book.

The following tests have emergency use authorization from the FDA to test for COVID-19.

Abbott Diagnostics Scarborough, Inc. BinaxNOW tests

- BinaxNOW COVID-19 Antigen Self Test
- BinaxNOW COVID-19 Ag Card Home Test
- BinaxNOW COVID-19 Ag Card 2 Home Test

Access Bio, Inc. - CareStart COVID-19 Antigen Home Test

ACON Laboratories, Inc - Flowflex COVID-19 Antigen Home Test

Becton, Dickinson and Company (BD) - BD Veritor At-Home COVID-19 Test

Celltrion USA, Inc. - Celltrion DiaTrust COVID-19 Ag Home Test

Cue Health Inc. - Cue COVID-19 Test for Home and Over The Counter (OTC) Use

Detect, Inc. - Detect Covid-19 Test

Ellume Limited – Ellume COVID-19 Home Test

iHealth Labs, Inc. - iHealth COVID-19 Antigen Rapid

InBios International Inc.

Lucira Health, Inc.

- Lucira CHECK-IT COVID-19 Test Kit
- Lucira COVID-19 All-In-One Test Kit (Prescription)

OraSure Technologies, Inc.

- IntelliSwab COVID-19 Rapid Test
- IntelliSwab COVID-19 Rapid Test Rx

Quidel Corporation

- QuickVue At-Home OTC COVID-19 Test
- QuickVue At-Home COVID-19 Test