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PROVIDER HEALTH ADVISORY

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COVID-19 Update for Skilled Nursing and Long-Term Care Facilities: How to Order No-Cost Antigen Tests this Winter

Antigen tests now available at no cost from California Dept. of Public Health

The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) is now providing antigen tests at no cost directly to Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNFs), Elder Care, and Long-Term Care Facilities (LTCFs). Representatives of these facilities may now request at-home tests directly through CDPH until **December 31, 2024**. We encourage facilities to stock up on free COVID-19 antigen tests for the winter ahead.

To place your facility's order, go to: https://labsupport.powerappsportals.us/ordercovidotc

Instructions coming soon for ordering additional free tests in 2025

After this opportunity to order free tests directly from CDPH closes (when supplies run out), CDPH recommends that organizations transition to the federal Health and Human Services (HHS) Health Partner Ordering Portal (HPOP), where tests are available for order through 2025. We will send more information about this resource, including registration and ordering information, when it is available later this year.

For support with outbreak response

The Public Health Department remains available to support facilities in navigating outbreak response and other challenges related to COVID-19.

To report an outbreak of COVID-19 or another respiratory illness at your facility, please use this online form: www.slocounty.ca.gov/congregatelinelist.

To request antigen tests or PPE from the County of SLO PHD during an outbreak, please complete this online form: https://bit.ly/outbreak-supply-request.