What You Should Know About:
COVID-19 Vaccines, Tests, Treatment, and You

COVID-19 Vaccines, Tests, and Treatment are Free for Medicaid Members

- NYS Medicaid covers many COVID-19 tests, vaccines, boosters, and treatment.
- They must be FDA approved or authorized.
- COVID-19 services are free for members. Providers and pharmacies cannot charge you.
- Treatments can be drugs like monoclonal antibodies and antivirals.
- Contact your healthcare provider or pharmacist if you have questions about COVID-19 vaccines, tests, or treatment.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

- For questions about Fee For Service (FFS) coverage, contact **the Office of Health Insurance Programs (OHIP) Division of Program Development and Management (DPDM)**. Call (518) 473-2160 or email FFSMedicaid-Policy@health.ny.gov.
- For questions about FFS Pharmacy coverage, contact the Medicaid Pharmacy Policy Unit. Call (518) 486-3209 or email PPNO@health.ny.gov.
- For questions about Managed Care coverage, contact your managed care health plan.

COVID-19 VACCINES

Does NYS Medicaid cover COVID-19 vaccines?
Yes. Members can get a COVID-19 vaccine or booster for free.

What vaccines are covered?
All vaccines and boosters are covered. They must be approved or authorized by the FDA.

Where can I get the vaccine?
Members can get the vaccine at providers' offices, pharmacies, and healthcare centers.

What if I have questions about the COVID-19 vaccine?
Your healthcare provider or pharmacist can answer questions about the vaccine or booster.

COVID-19 TESTS

What types of tests are covered?
Medicaid covers tests for COVID-19, including some home tests. Both antigen and Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) tests are covered. Ask your pharmacist or healthcare provider about what brands of tests are covered.

Where can I get tested?
You can get a test at many providers' offices, clinics and pharmacies. You can also test at home. Members may get home tests from a pharmacy that takes Medicaid. Ask your pharmacist. You can get free home tests at COVIDtests.gov, or through your county health department. Find your county health department: https://health.ny.gov/contact/contact_information/

When should I test?
The CDC says to test right away if you have any COVID-19 symptoms. You should also test if you are exposed to COVID-19.

What if I test positive?
Tell your healthcare provider if you test positive. They can help you get the care you need. They can also help if you continue to feel sick after having COVID-19.

COVID-19 TREATMENT

Does NYS Medicaid cover COVID-19 treatment?
Yes, members can receive free treatment for COVID-19 with therapies approved or authorized by the FDA.

What COVID-19 treatments are covered?
Medicaid covers antivirals and monoclonal antibodies. They must be approved or authorized by the FDA. Treatments can help your body fight the virus. It's important to tell your healthcare provider as soon as you test positive. They can help if you need one of these treatments.

Where can I get treated?
Your healthcare provider can tell you where to go. If you do not have a provider who can help, go to an urgent care or hospital. Test-to-Treat sites give tests and treatment in the same visit.