



## Niagara County HIICAP NEWS 2022

Health Insurance Information and Assistance Program

**Good news! Each household in the U.S. can now have four free COVID-19 at-home tests shipped directly to their home at no cost!** All you need to do is visit [COVIDtests.gov](https://COVIDtests.gov) and enter your contact information and mailing address.

The tests are rapid antigen "at-home" or "self" tests — not PCR tests which require a lab drop-off. The "at-home" or "self" tests can be taken anywhere and give results within 30 minutes.

**Guard against scammers trying to steal your personal information.** When ordering tests, use the official, secure government website: <https://COVIDtests.gov>. **Watch out for phone scammers, too. If you get a phone call requesting information so that free at-home tests can be mailed to you, hang up — it's a scam!**

**Remember:** Medicare pays for COVID-19 tests **performed by a lab**, such as PCR or antigen/rapid tests, at no cost to you **when the test is ordered by an authorized health care professional**. Those in a Medicare Advantage Plan should check with their plan to see if their plan offers coverage and payment for at-home tests.