

## Program Requirements

- **All daycares and early childhood education centers must be licensed with the State of Michigan at the time of request for test kits.**
  - The test kits will be sent to the address on the license.
  - License number will be required at time of request.
    - [Statewide Search for Licensed Childcare Centers and Homes](#)
- **Types of COVID-19 tests available**
  - Point of Care
    - Must be administered on-site by a trained professional for aged 5 years and older
    - Reporting of results are required
      - State, Local, and Federal reporting requirements for antigen tests that are administered on-site by a trained professional are satisfied by utilizing the [Michigan Antigen Testing Results](#) portal.
        - Positive results must be reported individually within 4 hours of completion of the test.
        - Negative results may be reported as an aggregate number within 24 hours of completion of the test.
    - Requires a CLIA Waiver to administer
      - A Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA) Certificate of Waiver (CoW) is a certification that allows a facility to legally examine a person through waived tests to assess health, diagnosis or determine treatment. The antigen tests provided by MDHHS require any facility that is administering these tests to obtain a CLIA waiver to legally preform the test. No specific credentials are required to obtain a CLIA Waiver. The testing site administering the test must follow the guidelines specified under the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).
      - CLIA waiver certificate cost is \$180 for two years.
      - To apply for a CLIA Waiver: For MDHHS testing program complete all sections of the [CMS 116 CLIA Application](#). Completed application can be submitted to [BCHS-CLIA@michigan.gov](mailto:BCHS-CLIA@michigan.gov).
      - [CLIA Waiver FAQ](#)

- Consent Forms are required for POC testing for those aged 5-17
  - All children receiving point of care COVID-19 testing at a daycare or early childhood education center must have a consent form signed by a parent/guardian.
    - It is the responsibility of the daycare to create a consent form for their location.
    - Consent forms should be kept on-site for up to a year.
  - Over the Counter
    - At-home test kit
    - COVID-19 test that can be sent home with staff, participants, and their families
    - Does not require reporting or CLIA Waiver
    - Limit of 2 OTC test kits per household – each box contains 2 test kits, totaling 4 test kits per household
    - MDHHS recommends that daycare/ECE programs should utilize permission slips when sending OTC test kits home.
- **Students/participants must be attending the designated licensed site to receive OTC test kits.**
  - POC test kits will only be provided for staff and participants over age 5.
  - Only staff working for the designated licensed site should receive test kits.
- **Daycare/Early Childhood Education center must be open and operational at time of request to receive COVID-19 test kits.**