

Standing Order for Distribution of Covid-19 At-Home Antigen Test Kits.

I. Purpose

To prevent the spread of infectious diseases through identification of SARS-CoV-2 leading to appropriate treatment and public health disease control actions and recommendations. This Standing Order is intended to ensure that residents of the State of Vermont are able to obtain Covid-19 At-Home Antigen Test Kits. This Order is not intended to be used by organizations who employ or contract with medical staff who are authorized to write prescriptions and have individual NPI numbers. Such organizations should utilize the medical professionals with whom they have a relationship to write prescriptions for Covid-19 At-Home Antigen Test Kits.

II. Authorization

This standing order may be used by Vermont residents as a prescription or third-party prescription to obtain Covid-19 At-Home Antigen Test Kits. This order is authorization for pharmacists to dispense Covid-19 At-Home Antigen Test Kits.

Vermont residents should be provided with any at-home COVID-19 tests and collection kits authorized by the FDA.

III. Review

This standing order shall remain in effect until December 31, 2022, unless earlier revoked. This standing order will be reviewed and updated as needed, or if the current Commissioner of Health ceases being Commissioner.

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