



## **COVERAGE OF OVER-THE-COUNTER (“OTC”) COVID-19 TESTS**

January 2022

Effective for tests purchased on and after January 15, 2022, and through the end of the COVID-19 public health emergency period, the Plan will provide for coverage of FDA authorized OTC tests for COVID-19 with no cost share. Such coverage will be limited to 8 tests per covered individual per month. Please note that this limit does not include tests which are administered by a provider, but only those tests that are administered and read at home without provider involvement. You also should note that coverage for tests where specimen collection is done at home and then mailed to a laboratory for results will still only be covered when ordered by a physician. A list of the covered OTC COVID-19 test kits is available at [atlanta.ufcwempfund.org](http://atlanta.ufcwempfund.org).

### **RECEIVE FREE TESTS WITHOUT HAVING TO FILE FOR REIMBURSEMENT:**

The federal government is providing up to four free at-home test kits per household which can be ordered online at [COVIDTests.gov](http://COVIDTests.gov). These tests will ship for free. Additionally, some local governments are distributing OTC COVID-19 tests free of charge at public locations such as libraries and fire stations. We encourage you to contact your local government to find out if this option is available in your area.

### **RECEIVE REIMBURSEMENT FROM THE MEDICAL PLAN FOR TESTS YOU PURCHASE:**

Currently OTC test kits will only be **covered through your Anthem medical benefits** and not through your OptumRx pharmacy benefits. There are a number of reasons for this, including the limited pharmacies where OptumRx is able to process claims. Therefore, if you purchase an OTC test kit, you will have to pay for the test at point-of-sale and then submit a claim to Anthem for reimbursement. To file a claim, you will log-in to your member portal at [www.anthem.com](http://www.anthem.com) to submit your claim online. When you click on “Submit a Claim” the system will walk you through a series of questions about your COVID-19 At-Home Test Reimbursement Request. You will need to upload a copy of your receipt as proof of purchase. You will also be able to choose whether you want your reimbursement to be direct deposited into a bank account or mailed as a paper check. If you would prefer to mail in a paper claim, please contact the Fund Office at 800.241.3473 for information on how to obtain and complete the required form.

### **PLEASE NOTE THAT OTC COVID-19 TESTS WILL ONLY BE COVERED BY THIS PLAN IF:**

- **The test was purchased on or after January 15, 2022, and prior to the end of the public health emergency period;**
- **The test is being used by an employee or dependent that is eligible for benefits under this Plan;**
- **The test has not been (and will not be) reimbursed by any other source;**
- **The test is for personal use and will not be resold; and**
- **The test is not being used for employment purposes.**

At this time we do not have a point-of-sale solution with either OptumRx or Anthem, where OTC test kits can be obtained through the Plan with no upfront out-of-pocket expense. If this becomes available in the future, updated information will be made available.

**Access more information on your benefits by logging in to [www.anthem.com](http://www.anthem.com) or through the Sydney mobile app!**

This notice is a Summary of Material Modifications (“SMM”) providing you with information regarding changes to your Plan benefits effective January 15, 2022. This SMM should be kept with your copy of the Summary Plan Description. If you have any questions, contact the Plan Administrator. If there is any discrepancy between the terms of the Plan, as modified, and this SMM, the provisions of the Plan will control.

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