



Free Home Covid Tests

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Starting next week, people will be able to once again request four free Covid tests from the government.

The Department of Health and Human Services is reopening its website [COVIDTests.gov](https://www.covidtests.gov) on Sept. 25. Households can order the tests to be delivered to their homes, free of charge.

The announcement comes as Covid cases rise in the United States — and as many people are realizing the tests they've long had on hand have expired. It may be prudent to check the expiration date on the newly ordered tests when they arrive, however.

People can check whether the expiration date on their tests have been extended on the Food and Drug Administration's [website](#).

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends that people get tested immediately if they have Covid symptoms, or within five days if they've been exposed to someone with Covid.

[COVIDTests.gov](https://www.covidtests.gov) will remain online through the end of the year.