

PUBLIC NOTICE

COVID-19 Testing at section 1905(a)(4)(F) of the Social Security Act

During the period starting March 11, 2021 and ending on the last day of the first calendar quarter that begins one year after the last day of the emergency period described in section 1135(g)(1)(B) of the Social Security Act, the state assures the following:

Coverage:

1. The state assures coverage of COVID-19 testing consistent with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) definitions of diagnostic and screening testing for COVID-19 and its recommendations for who should receive diagnostic and screening tests for COVID-19.
2. The state assures that such coverage:
 - a. Includes all types of FDA authorized COVID-19 tests;
 - b. Is provided to all categorically needy eligibility groups covered by the state that receive full Medicaid benefits; and
 - c. Is provided to beneficiaries without cost sharing pursuant to section 1916(a)(2)(I) and 1916A(b)(3)(B)(xiii) of the Act; reimbursement to qualified providers for such coverage is not reduced by any cost sharing that would otherwise be applicable under the state plan.
3. The state assures compliance with the HHS COVID-19 PREP Act declarations and authorizations, including all of the amendments to the declaration.

Reimbursement:

4. The state's rates for COVID-19 testing pursuant to sections 1905(a)(4)(F) and 1902(a)(30)(A) of the Act are as follows:
 - a. Test: \$12.00
 - b. Kit: \$24.00
 - c. A banner message dated March 1, 2022, which outlines the state's COVID-19 testing reimbursement rates, is posted on the Georgia Medicaid Management Information System (GAMMIS).
5. Limitations on amount duration and scope of COVID-19 testing are as follows:
 - a. Four (4) tests per month, with a maximum of 2 tests every 7 days. Quantity limits may be exceeded based on medical necessity.

This public notice is available for review at each county Division of Family and Children Services office. An opportunity for public comment will be held on **June 15, 2023 at 11:00 a.m., via Zoom WebEx audio**. There will be **no in-person** attendance at the Department of Community Health (DCH).

Individuals who are disabled and need assistance to participate during this meeting should call (404) 656-4479 at least three (3) business days prior to the scheduled public hearing to ensure any necessary accommodations can be provided.

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Individuals wishing to comment in writing on any of the proposed changes should do so on or before **June 22, 2023** to the Board of Community Health, Post Office Box 1966, Atlanta, Georgia 30301-1966. You may also email comments to Danisha Williams, danwilliams@dch.ga.gov or fax to 404-651-6880.

Comments submitted will be available for review by submitting a request via email to Danisha Williams, danwilliams@dch.ga.gov.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THIS 9th DAY OF JUNE 2023
Caylee Noggle, Commissioner