

COVID-19 Uninsured Testing Coverage FOR APPLICANTS/INDIVIDUALS



Utah Medicaid covers COVID-19-related diagnostic testing and services for uninsured individuals. This program will be effective through the duration of the public health emergency. Covered services include COVID-19 testing, as well as serological tests to determine the presence of the virus antibodies. Related services covered include the administration of the test and evaluations related to testing, such as x-rays.

Uninsured individuals are eligible for the new "COVID-19 Uninsured Testing Coverage" without regard to income or assets. To qualify, an individual must be uninsured, and meet citizenship and Utah residency requirements. Individuals are considered uninsured if they are not enrolled in another federal health care program, such as Medicare or Veterans Health Administration coverage, or a commercial group or individual health plan.

Individuals may apply online at <https://medicaid.utah.gov/covid-19-uninsured-testing-coverage/>. A representative from the Utah Department of Health (UDOH) will determine eligibility. A decision will be made within two to three business days and the individual will receive notification of the decision. If approved, coverage begins on the first day of the application month. The individual will receive a Medicaid card within a few days of the approval.

The application also serves as a full Medicaid and/or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) application, unless the person opts-out. It may take up to 30 days for a decision to be made. If the individual does not qualify for Medicaid or CHIP, the COVID-19 Uninsured Testing Coverage will continue until the last day of the month in which the public health emergency ends. If the individual qualifies for Medicaid or CHIP, the COVID-19 Uninsured Testing Coverage will end but the individual will receive enhanced medical coverage through a regular Medicaid or CHIP program, which includes COVID-19 testing and treatment.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: How long does it take for my application to be approved?

A: UDOH is working quickly to make decisions on applications. A decision will be made within two to three days after you submit an application. You will be notified when you are approved or denied. If you are approved, you will receive a Medicaid card within a few days of the approval.

Q: Can UDOH verify if my application has been approved?

A: Yes, a representative at UDOH can determine if your application has been approved, or if it is still in pending status.

Q: What if I need to get tested before my application is approved?

A: Get tested! The application asks for a testing date. Enter the appropriate date there. Coverage may be granted retroactive to the beginning of the

month in order to cover the test. After you are approved, you can give your Medicaid ID to the testing site for billing. Medicaid will pay for tests/services after June 1, 2020 through the end of the public health emergency.

Q: If I'm approved, does it cover my family as well?

A: COVID-19 Uninsured Testing Coverage will be determined for anyone in the household that requested this coverage on the application. If other family members need coverage, they should submit an application for COVID-19 Uninsured Testing Coverage. Unless you opt-out, DWS will make a decision on Medicaid or CHIP coverage for all household members who requested this coverage on the application.

Q: Exactly what services are covered?

A: Covered services include COVID-19 testing, as well as serological tests to determine the presence of the virus antibodies. Related services covered include the administration of the test and evaluations related to testing, such as doctor appointments, telehealth evaluations, and chest x-rays.

Q: What do I do if I have questions?

A: If you have additional questions, please call UDOH at 1-866-608-9422 or visit <https://medicaid.utah.gov/covid-19-uninsured-testing-coverage/>.