

**SIREN Draft- Gauging Interest in free Over the Counter (OTC) COVID-19 Rapid Antigen Tests
for Deployment to Illinois Long Term Care Facilities (LTCs) AT NO COST**

The Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) has acquired OTC rapid antigen tests for deployment to its testing partners. Currently, the State is interested in understanding the demand for testing at LTCs. A survey was developed by IDPH to better determine if your LTC facility would be interested in receiving a one-time FREE bulk shipment of rapid antigen tests for use on site. Eligible use cases may include, but are not limited to, staff testing, patient testing, and resident testing. This will be at no cost to the facilities.

IDPH is considering the deployment of OTC rapid COVID-19 antigen tests, which provide quick results in just 15 minutes. The tests are available for use without a prescription and can be used to test individuals both with and without symptoms of COVID-19. Instructions for use would be included with all antigen test kit deliveries.

Requirements for testing on site with these rapid antigen tests are as follows:

- **For symptomatic testing, diagnostic testing, and screening testing**, your facility must have a CLIA waiver, a provider signed order, and be registered to report all positive test results to the State of Illinois.

Please take a few minutes and complete the short survey below:

<https://redcap.dph.illinois.gov/surveys/?s=T78A4HAKFTPWXAA>

Thank you kindly for your participation. Once the State can review the survey responses and assess the overall need for testing supplies at LTCs, an update will be provided regarding shipment eligibility.