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**INFORMATIONAL LETTER NO. 2653-MC-FFS**

**DATE:** January 9, 2025

**TO:** All Iowa Medicaid Medical Providers

**APPLIES TO:** Managed Care (MC), Fee-for-Service (FFS)

**FROM:** Iowa Department of Health and Human Services (HHS),  
Iowa Medicaid

**RE:** Over The Counter (OTC) COVID-19 Test – Coverage Update

**EFFECTIVE:** January 1, 2025

**\*\*\*This Informational Letter (IL) replaces [IL No. 2509-MC-FFS](#)<sup>1</sup> which was published on October 12, 2023.\*\*\***

The purpose of this IL is to advise providers that, effective January 1, 2025, Iowa Medicaid will no longer cover over the counter (OTC) COVID-19 test kits. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) ended coverage for OTC COVID-19 test kits on May 11, 2023.

The CPT billing code **K1034** – Provision of COVID-19 test, nonprescription self-administered and self-collected use, FDA approved, authorized or cleared, one test count – will no longer be reimbursed from Iowa Medicaid.

If you have questions, please contact Iowa Medicaid Provider Services or the appropriate managed care organization (MCO):

**Iowa Medicaid Provider Services:**

- Phone: 1-800-338-7909
- Email: [imeproviderservices@hhs.iowa.gov](mailto:imeproviderservices@hhs.iowa.gov)

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<sup>1</sup> [https://secureapp.dhs.state.ia.us/imp/Information/ViewDocument.aspx?viewdocument=\(77d86636-c81b-45dd-b139-f08dc049badd\)](https://secureapp.dhs.state.ia.us/imp/Information/ViewDocument.aspx?viewdocument=(77d86636-c81b-45dd-b139-f08dc049badd))

**Managed Care Organizations (MCOs):****Iowa Total Care:**

- Phone: 1-833-404-1061
- Email: [providerrelations@iowatotalcare.com](mailto:providerrelations@iowatotalcare.com)
- Website: <https://www.iowatotalcare.com>

**Molina Healthcare of Iowa:**

- Phone: 1-844-236-1464
- Email: [iaproviderrelations@molinahealthcare.com](mailto:iaproviderrelations@molinahealthcare.com)
- Website: <https://www.molinahealthcare.com/providers/ia/medicaid/home.aspx>
- Provider Portal: <https://www.availity.com/molinahealthcare>

**Wellpoint Iowa, Inc. (formerly Amerigroup Iowa, Inc.):**

- Phone: 1-833-731-2143
- Email: [ProviderSolutionsIA@wellpoint.com](mailto:ProviderSolutionsIA@wellpoint.com)
- Website: <https://www.provider.wellpoint.com/iowa-provider/home>