



New Mexico Schools COVID-19 Testing Program

Updates and Announcements

Thank you for registering with the New Mexico Schools COVID-19 Testing Program. Whether you are still selecting the best testing program option for your school/district or are preparing for your program launch – our team is here to offer support through each step of the process.

If you have questions about the program, please join us for [Office Hours](#) or email info@nmschoolscovidtesting.com.



BD Veritor Triplex Update

In response to the national test shortage and urgent demand, PMG has adapted its distribution strategy to keep our schools and classrooms open and safe to the extent that circumstances allow. Because of this, your next distribution of BD Veritor test kits may include tests that detect Flu A + B, in addition to COVID-19.

[This post](#) contains critical information for ensuring that you are in compliance with state and federal regulations should you receive this test in your distribution.

[Read PMG's Letter About the Change](#)



Direct Funding Distribution

We are pleased to announce that our Direct Funding program component is up and running! All K-12 schools and districts are eligible to receive direct funding to support their COVID-19 prevention, mitigation, and response.

Schools and districts have been given a log in for the reimbursement portal if they have registered and completed all program requirements for Direct Funding. We have also sent updates on your advance check if your school or district requested one. To confirm your status and eligibility, please visit our [Direct Funding Guidance](#) page.

[Register for our Direct Funding Webinar](#)

Policies and Protocols

For the latest guidance in school testing, please visit this [dedicated NMPED webpage](#). The New



Mexico Schools COVID-19 Testing Program (ELC Reopening of Schools) can support your school or district as it navigates new policies and protocols.

NMPED Back-to-School Guidance

Program Options Review

The [NM Schools COVID-19 Testing Program](#) offers schools choices in their COVID-19 testing and screening approach, supports Test to Stay, and allows modification throughout the school year. Participation in this optional, fully-funded program is highly encouraged to keep students safe and minimize classroom disruption. The following program components are available to all K-12 schools and districts in New Mexico:

Program Option A: Premier Medical Group is a Full-Service Testing vendor contracted to provide testing and training through the New Mexico Schools COVID-19 Testing Program. The full-service option connects you with a PMG Regional Manager to **design a program to fit your school's unique needs**. All testing services, materials, and reporting are provided to schools at no cost.

Program Option B: PMG also offers schools an **on-site staff training option**. In this program, PMG staff will provide school staff with in-person training to administer rapid PCR and rapid antigen testing. In this option, schools will be responsible for meeting all requirements of PoC testing such as a CLIA Certificate of Waiver, and biohazard waste removal.

Program Option C: The [School-Administered Rapid Antigen](#) testing option supports schools with Point of Care (PoC) testing on students and staff by providing no-cost rapid antigen test kits. This is a great option for schools that want to do any testing with their own staff. To learn more, visit our [School-Administered Rapid Antigen Testing](#) page.

Program Option D: [Enrollment into Direct Funding](#) provides schools with financial support to develop school COVID-19 program, including hiring new staff, supplementing time for existing staff, reimbursement for your CLIA Wavier licensing fee, biological waste management service fees, required equipment, and other related costs.

Please visit [our website](#) for more information and to opt in.



Come join us!

Did you know that we hold daily Office Hours at 3:30 p.m. over Zoom? Representatives from DOH, PMG, and Kesselman-Jones are available to answer your questions.

Join us for Office Hours

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