



New Mexico Schools COVID-19 Testing Program

Updates and Announcements

We know that many schools are now preparing for the summer and fall with limited information about the future of the pandemic. 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.

Tomorrow: Discussion on Preparing for Summer and Fall

This Thursday, May 26th, 2022 at 1 p.m., NMDOH will host a meeting on preparing for testing and the funding extension for the upcoming 2022-2023 school year. Click the button below to register and join. There will be more opportunities to provide feedback and receive information before the start of the school year.

[Register](#)

Reminder: Direct Funding Extended

In order to support your planning process, we are pleased to formally announce that the Direct Funding component of the program will be extended to SY22-23.

With this extension comes new policies and protocols around reimbursement requests, which will be outlined in the coming months.

Importantly, costs associated with test kits and testing vendors may be reimbursed through your school or school district's direct funding allocation in SY22-23.

This means that you may plan to purchase test kits, if needed, using these funds at a later date. In the meantime, please don't forget to submit your reimbursement requests related to COVID-19 prevention, mitigation, and response for this school year (SY21-22) by June 25, 2022.

[Visit the Reimbursement Request Portal](#)

Accula SARS-CoV-2 Test Recall

Certain Accula tests with manufacture dates of December 30, 2021, to January 1, 2022, and January 15, 2022, to January 23, 2022, are being recalled for risk of false positives caused by contamination. Per the FDA, if you have Accula tests manufactured during those dates, stop using them immediately and dispose of or return the remaining inventory.

Customers with questions or concerns about this recall may contact Mesa Biotech at 1-858-800-4929, or 1-800-955-6288 and select option 2. **As of today, no New Mexico schools have received recalled tests from PMG.** Click the link below to find the lot numbers for tests that are being recalled.

[More Information](#)

Nursing Best Practices Survey

The Center for School Health Innovation & Quality has received a grant from the Moses Taylor Foundation to investigate best practices in school nursing staffing, developing a pipeline for future school nurses, substitutes, as well as funding and models of school nursing. They are inviting all school nurses (and school administrators) to complete the survey by June 10, 2022:

School nurse staffing, funding, substitutes (where applicable), and recruiting new school nurses has been a real concern across the nation and we want to help! [Click here to access the survey](#), which should take about 15 minutes to complete.

As a show of appreciation for your time, you are eligible to enter into a random drawing for a \$25 or \$50 gift card. To enter, simply click on the link at the end of the survey. This link will take you to a separate page where we can capture your contact information while ensuring your survey responses remain anonymous.

It is recommended you take the survey on a tablet or laptop as a few of the questions towards the end may be more difficult to do on a phone.

[Complete the Survey](#)



Office Hours Schedule

Office Hours are held every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 3:30 PM.

We look forward to seeing you there!

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