

COVID-19 RAPID TEST CONCESSIONAL ACCESS SCHEME

The Australian Government is working with this Community Pharmacy to provide free rapid antigen tests to eligible Australian Government concession card holders.

This new program started on 24 January 2022 and ends on 30 April 2022.

If you have a valid, eligible Commonwealth concession card, you can access up to 10 rapid antigen tests through participating Community Pharmacies, at no cost to you. You can access a maximum of 10 rapid antigen tests over the three-month period, but no more than 5 tests in any month (Month 1: 24 January – 28 February, Month 2: 1 March – 31 March, Month 3: 1 April – 30 April 2022).

Eligible Commonwealth concession cards are:

- Pensioner Concession card;
- Commonwealth Senior Health Care card;
- Health Care Card (including Low Income Health Care card); or
- Department of Veterans' Affairs Gold, White or Orange cards.

To participate in this scheme:

- This Community Pharmacy will need to collect your concession card number. No other information about you will be collected. You do not have to provide your number, but you will not be able to receive free tests under the scheme if you do not.
- This Community Pharmacy will need to use your number to check that the card is valid, and that the maximum number of free tests have not already been issued. The Community Pharmacy will do this using software provided by GuildLink, a company contracted by the Australian Government, which will check how many free tests you have already received (including from other Community Pharmacies).
- Supply and transaction details will be provided to the:
 - Pharmacy Programs Administrator to allow this Community Pharmacy to be paid for the tests, or to help this Community Pharmacy apply the scheme.
 - Department of Health, so it can administer the scheme, including related evaluation, management and accountability activities (for further information about how the Department handles personal information, and how you can access/correct it or make a complaint, go to www.health.gov.au/privacy).

If you have any questions about how your card numbers will be used, or if you no longer want to participate in the scheme, you can ask this Community Pharmacy.

Do you agree to participate in the COVID19 Rapid Test Concessional Access Scheme on this basis?

If you are providing this agreement on behalf of someone else (such as your child), you must be their parent/guardian or otherwise have legal authority to do this.

This is a jointly funded program between the Australian Government and State/Territory Governments