

# California Department of Public Health Valencia Branch Laboratory Testing Options

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# Options for Local Health Jurisdictions (LHJs), Community-Based Sites & Hospitals to Partner w. Valencia Branch Laboratory (VBL) for COVID-19 Testing

	PCR / Anterior Nares test		Antigen test	
	Outbreak	On-going		Rapid
LHJ	<p><b>i</b> Recommended for <b>rapid deployment of testing capacity to respond to a COVID-19 surge</b> or outbreak</p>	<p><b>i</b> Recommended for <b>LHJs or organizations interested in managing their own community test sites</b></p>	<p><b>ii</b> Recommended when <b>providing COVID-19 testing</b> through end-to-end OptumServe vendor; include modifications to existing OptumServe sites</p>	<p><b>iii</b> Recommended to <b>test symptomatic individuals in emergency</b> departments, urgent care, COVID-19 outbreak, and congregate settings</p>
Community-based site				
Hospitals <i>(approved temporarily until Jan. 31, 2021)</i>		<p><b>i</b> <b>Temporary support (until Jan. 31, 2021)</b> for screening of healthcare personnel at hospitals</p>		
<b>Submit interest through</b>	Email <a href="#">TTF Inbox</a>	<a href="#">Community site interest form</a> (VBL website)	<a href="#">LHJ OptumServe form</a> (VBL website)	MHOAC Program




# i: Options to Partner with Testing Task Force/CDPH VBL for Testing (1/3)

	A: LHJ Outbreak Program	B: LHJ-Managed Community Collection Site	C: Community-Based Collection Site	D: Healthcare Worker Testing
<b>Description</b>	Supports LHJs in the event there is a need to rapidly deploy testing capacity to respond to a COVID-19 surge or outbreak. LHJs have a weekly test allocation for this option.	Supports LHJs who directly want to manage a test collection site. LHJ staff will be the point of contact for the testing site and responsible for ordering test kits and sending samples to VBL	Supports organizations/entities (e.g., schools, agricultural associations, hospitals) to set up test collection sites within their communities	Temporary support (until Jan 31 <sup>st</sup> 2021) for screening of healthcare personnel at hospitals
<b>When to choose this option</b>	Preparing for a potential surge or outbreak scenario in different locations within LHJ.  <b>NOTE:</b> Not for on-going testing; if on-going testing use option B or C	LHJ is interested in offering testing in a dedicated physical location that needs ongoing testing.	Organization / entity is interested in offering testing in a dedicated physical location	Hospitals seeking temporary support that are able to be directly billed for collection kits and processing (\$55)
<b>Resources and next steps</b>	LHJ can enroll in the program by <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Signing an <a href="#">MOU</a> and sending to <a href="mailto:testing.taskforce@ca.gov">testing.taskforce@ca.gov</a></li> <li>Completing the <a href="#">Color Onboarding Form</a></li> </ul> <b>NOTE:</b> Please specify “LHJ”- Outbreak team e.g., Jackson county – Outbreak team  <b>NOTE:</b> LHJs must also include information about their local health officer as the shared provider to access test results	LHJs can sign-up by : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Submitting an <a href="#">interest form</a> on <a href="#">VBL webpage</a>; <b>NOTE:</b> Please make sure to choose LHJ as Organization Type on interest form</li> <li>Once approved, LHJ is responsible for signing MOU, onboarding to the Color platform, and ensuring testing readiness</li> </ul>	Organizations/ entities can sign up by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Submitting an <a href="#">interest form</a> on <a href="#">VBL webpage</a></li> <li>Once approved, entity is responsible for signing MOU, onboarding to the Color platform, and ensuring testing readiness</li> </ul>	Hospitals needing support can express interest by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Submitting an <a href="#">interest form</a> on <a href="#">VBL webpage</a></li> <li>Once approved, hospital is responsible for signing MOU/contract, onboarding to the Color platform, and ensuring testing readiness</li> </ul>

For all options, there is an approval process, through which LHJs and organizations / entities are assessed based on test positivity and equity metrics for each region. LHJs and organizations / entities will be notified once they have been approved

# ii: State-Funded Testing Models Through OptumServe (2/3)

## E: 4 Testing models through OptumServe

	Pedestrian fixed site	Drive-through fixed site	Traveling team	Mobile model
<b>Description</b> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fixed indoor community site</li> <li><b>Capacity:</b> 165 tests/ day per site</li> <li><b>Cost:</b> No cost share required of LHJ</li> <li><b>Days per week:</b> 5-6 days</li> <li><b>Staffing:</b> OS provides staff and clinicians</li> <li><b>Transportation:</b> OS arranges transportation of samples</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fixed community site appropriate for a drive-through model</li> <li><b>Capacity:</b> 330 tests/ day per site</li> <li><b>Cost:</b> No cost share required of LHJ</li> <li><b>Days per week:</b> 5-6 days</li> <li><b>Staffing:</b> OS provides staff and clinicians</li> <li><b>Transportation:</b> OS arranges transportation of samples</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rapidly-deployable traveling team to arrive onsite for communities at greater risk to collect specimens and arrange transport back to the VBL</li> <li><b>Capacity:</b> 165 tests/ day per site</li> <li><b>Cost:</b> No cost share required of LHJ</li> <li><b>Days per week:</b> 5-6 days</li> <li><b>Staffing:</b> OS provides staff and clinicians</li> <li><b>Transportation:</b> OS arranges transportation of samples</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>45' motor coach bus to travel from site to site, setting up in disproportionately impacted areas, and move as needed to target specific locals</li> <li><b>Capacity:</b> 528 tests/ day per site</li> <li><b>Cost:</b> No cost share required of LHJ</li> <li><b>Days per week:</b> 5-6 days</li> <li><b>Staffing:</b> OS provides staff and clinicians</li> <li><b>Transportation:</b> OS arranges transportation of samples</li> </ul>
<b>When to choose this option</b> 	<p>Zip code has consistent demand for testing (e.g., screening)</p>	<p>Zip code has consistent demand for testing (e.g., screening); population has known exposure</p>	<p>Ideally deployed to reach mass testing volume in harder to reach populations or geographic locations</p>	<p>Testing demand in zip code is sporadic, response-based, and/ or temporary; population able to access mobile site</p>
<b>Resources and next steps</b> 	<p>LHJ can request testing resources by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reviewing <a href="#">the OptumServe catalogue</a></li> <li>Submitting an <a href="#">interest form</a> on <a href="#">VBL webpage</a></li> <li>Once requests are approved by TTF/ CDPH, LHJs will be onboarded with OptumServe to stand up testing sites. LHJs will be responsible for providing physical space.</li> </ul>			

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## iii: CDPH suggested options for LHJs to leverage SARS-CoV-2 virus POC<sup>2</sup> antigen testing (3/3)

### Details provided by CDPH

#### Description



Antigen tests are point of care tests that detect the presence of the nucleocapsid of SARS-CoV-2 virus and can provide results in <20 minutes. These tests have been approved as Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA) of 1988 waived, point-of-care tests. Currently there are four of these tests on the market with additional tests in the EUA approval process. Access to antigen tests is currently being coordinated by the federal government.

#### When to choose this option



Antigen tests are recommended by Federal clinical guidelines for use in symptomatic individuals, scenarios for these tests include symptomatic individuals in the following:

- 1) Emergency departments
- 2) Urgent care centers
- 3) COVID-19 outbreaks
- 4) Congregate settings with confirmed cases

#### Resources and next steps



LHJs can request access to SARS-CoV-2 antigen tests via their the MHOAC<sup>1</sup> program by:

- Accessing the MHOAC contact list per county [here](#)
- E-mailing the respective county representative
- Filling the form shared by respective county representatives with the relevant required information (e.g., burn rate, inventory, reason for request)

1. Medical Health Operational Area Coordinator  
2. Point of care