Ohio Library Council Discussion: At-Home Testing

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Background

- Ohio’s testing strategy
- Availability of at-home rapid tests
  - Abbott BinaxNOW tests
  - eMed telehealth sessions
  - 15-minute results
- Goal: widespread accessibility throughout Ohio
Partnership Opportunity

• Goal of widespread community access to testing
  • Libraries as accessible, comfortable, trusted community partners

• Simple, contactless distribution for individuals to take home
  • Library expertise in distribution and inventory control

• Technology is critical to success of these tests
  • Library experience in technology support creates potential opportunities to help people set up accounts, demonstrate how to complete testing, and/or allow individuals to complete testing within the library
Main library determines how many tests its network needs and sends the request/resupply order to TestingRequests@odh.ohio.gov.

Tests are shipped to main library for distribution to branches.

Each library distributing tests will be included on a list of sites where the public can pick up a test.

An individual who needs a test downloads the NAVICA app from the App Store or Google Play and creates a NAVICA account, and finds their closest pickup location.

Library staff check to see that the individual has a NAVICA pass and provides a test. At the time a test is distributed, staff will track the distribution of the test.

The individual goes to ohio.emed.com to begin a telehealth session with an eMed proctor.

eMed assists with administration of the test, reports the results to public health officials and provides information to individuals that test positive for COVID-19.

Negative results are stored within the NAVICA app and for a limited time, displays a “pass” that can be shown to an employer, school, etc.

Distributing and Using a BinaxNOW Home Test - Libraries

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Requesting Tests

• Email TestingRequests@odh.ohio.gov and provide the following information:
  • Name of library system
  • How many tests you’re requesting
  • Point-of-contact name, email, and phone number
  • Shipping information (address, special instructions, and point-of-contact)
• Each branch that serves as a pickup site will need to designate one or more administrators
  • Name and email address
  • Track # of tests distributed weekly – report to TestingRequests@odh.ohio.gov

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