

LFD Testing

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Dear all

Following yesterday's email please see today's update below on lateral flow devices for Practices:-

All General Practice, Optometry, Dental and Pharmacy establishments are due to start receiving their next allocation of LFD test-kits in the coming weeks. These kits are being provided to practices and pharmacies now, as users should start to complete their first allocated box in the next month.

This second round of distribution will commence from the 17 May, and it is likely to take 2-3 weeks to complete all deliveries. There is no need for practices to take any action at this stage, as test-kits will be issued automatically. The number of test-kits allocated will be based on updated numbers provided from previous orders and information provided to the logistics team during the initial supply of test-kits.

If there are any shortages on arrival of the order, please contact 0800 008 6587 to order more test-kits for your practice providing the information requested.

Likewise, if you haven't received your order by the COP 4 June 2021 please contact the helpdesk on 0800 008 6587.

We would like to take this opportunity to remind all participants in the testing programme that they are required to record their results – positive, negative or inconclusive – via the online portal <https://nhsnss.service-now.com/covidtesting> The recording of negative LFD test results provides important incidence and prevalence data and supports sound governance of the testing programme.

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Many GPs/ Optometrist's and practice staff have now received LFD testing kits and are taking part in twice weekly testing. Additional kits are available to Practices. They can be ordered by emailing nss.PrimaryCareLFDOrderKits@nhs.scot

If you are a Locum GP or Optometrist and can't access LFD testing kits via another route (e.g. a practice you work in regularly) please email NSS directly at

nss.PrimaryCareLFDOrderKits@nhs.scot to request test-kits. Please provide your full name including registration (GMC/GOC) number and delivery address. NSS will confirm your identity against the lists that your Health Board have provided to NSS in advance, before arranging distribution of test kits.

Where practice staff are doing twice weekly testing, please make sure that the results of this are entered on the portal <https://nhsnss.service-now.com/covidtesting> even where negative. It is appreciated that many felt the reporting system was difficult and time consuming at first, but the process has now been updated and is simpler and quicker.

New features have been added to the Lateral Flow testing portal, so that you can now create an account which will hold all your personal information and once logged in the system, it will remember you. This means that you will only need to give details of the particular test you are reporting. In addition, you can now upload a number of tests at one time, using the Bulk Upload feature to allow users to register a number of tests at once on behalf of others to help facilitate local arrangements.

All the newly updated documents can be accessed here: [Coronavirus \(COVID-19\): asymptomatic staff testing in NHS Scotland - gov.scot \(www.gov.scot\)](#). Please be aware that any future changes to eligibility will be updated on the gov.scot [webpage](#).

Please remember:

- Test twice per week (unless you are using PCR, which means that you only need to use LFT once)
- If you have tested positive through PCR you should not commence/recommence the LFT testing programme until 90 days after your positive test result
- If you register a negative test result with your LFT, but are showing symptoms of COVID-19, you must self-isolate and book a PCR test through either [NHS Inform](#) or the [staff testing site](#).

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