

# NEWS BRIEF

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## Third Round of Free COVID-19 Tests Are Now Available

The U.S. government announced on May 16 that it has obtained the funding for another round of free COVID-19 tests for U.S. households.

This is the third round of free at-home tests to become available from the federal government. The first round of free tests, which were delivered in January and February, brought four free COVID-19 tests to each requested household. In March, four more COVID-19 tests were offered in the second round of free testing.

Intending to provide quicker access to testing for American families, the federal government has doubled the amount of COVID-19 tests available to each household in this round of free testing.

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The announcement comes as COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations begin to rise once again. According to the National Public Radio, COVID-19 infections have risen 60% in the last two weeks.

With greater access to free testing, the White House hopes to reduce infection rates and subsequent hospitalizations throughout the country.

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Information on how to receive this round of free COVID-19 test kits can be found [here](#).

