

# **San Francisco Health Service System Health Service Board**

COVID-19 Update

January 12, 2023

# SFHSS Specific Data — Vaccines & Boosters

Per the CDC, the definition of fully vaccinated does not include a booster. Completion of primary series depends on which vaccine you received. To check if you should receive additional boosters, visit: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/booster-shot.html>

Test Categories	Blue Shield of California as of 12/20	Health Net As of 12/30	Kaiser Permanente of California		UnitedHealthcare	
			Non-Medicare as of 1/1	Medicare as of 1/1	Non-Medicare as of 12/21	Medicare <sup>[1]</sup> as of 12/12
Primary Series Partial	1,238	21	558	48	508	— [2]
Primary Series Fully	28,638	304	47,430	13,312	768	14,678
<b>Total</b>	<b>29,876</b>	<b>325</b>	<b>47,988</b>	<b>13,360</b>	<b>1,276</b>	<b>— [2]</b>
1 <sup>st</sup> Booster	18,330	272	36,168	12,343	673	12,241
2 <sup>nd</sup> Booster	3,259 [3]	Not available	Not yet available	Not yet available	Not yet available	Not yet available
3 <sup>rd</sup> Booster	Not yet available	100	Not yet available	Not yet available	Not yet available	Not yet available

<b>Total Members</b>	<b>35,438</b>	<b>385</b>	<b>53,859</b>	<b>14,003</b>	<b>3,200</b>	<b>17,581</b>
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[1] UHC Medicare is counting the 2<sup>nd</sup> shot as a booster if the member received the J&J vaccine initially.

[2] UHC Medicare is no longer tracking “Partial”, as these members are considered Unvaccinated.

[3] BSC “2<sup>nd</sup> booster” is pulled as “2 or more” in BSC data. At this time, they are unable to break it out further for the 3<sup>rd</sup> booster

## SFHSS Specific Data — Hospitalizations

	Blue Shield of California	Health Net	Kaiser Permanente of California		UnitedHealthcare	
			Non-Medicare	Medicare	Non-Medicare	Medicare
Hospitalization Cases	193	0	181	Not Available	313	371
In ICU	Not Available	N/A	31	Not Available	11	78
w/ a Ventilator	Not Available	N/A	Not Available	Not Available	4	30
<b>Total Members</b>	<b>35,438</b>	<b>385</b>	<b>53,734</b>	<b>13,982</b>	<b>3,200</b>	<b>17,581</b>

*Data is from March 2020 to December 2022*

**CDC recommends seeking treatment within 5 days of the onset of symptoms.**

# SFHSS Specific Data — COVID-19 Antiviral Treatments

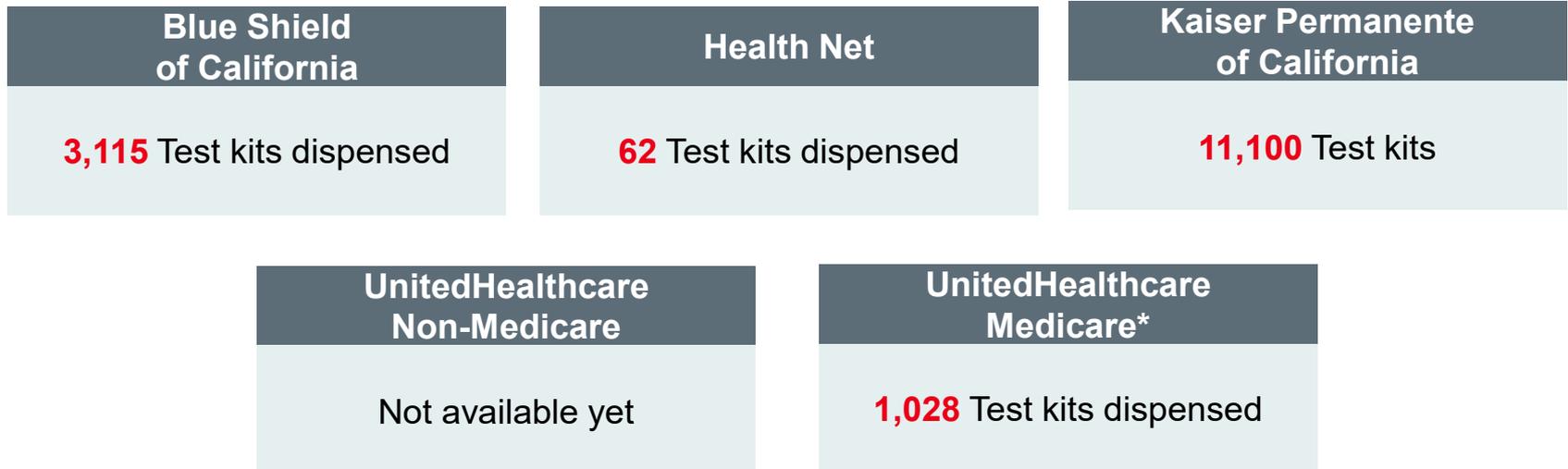
Anyone who has tested positive for COVID and is at high risk for a serious case should immediately contact a health care provider and ask for one of the antiviral drug treatments available, which must be taken at the onset of COVID symptoms

Eligible individuals for treatment include:

- Tested positive for COVID
  - Unvaccinated or haven't had a booster shot
  - Pregnant women
  - People at least 65 years old
  - Anyone with a medical condition who are at high risk for serious illness
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- For more information contact your health care provider
  - Call the City's COVID resource center at 628-652-2700
  - Or visit <https://covid-19-test-to-treat-locator-dhhs.hub.arcgis.com/> to find a location that offers the treatments

Source: "S.F. health officials turned away thousands of life-saving COVID pills, now plead with public to use them", sfchronicle.com, April 6, 2022

# SFHSS Specific Data — COVID Home Test Kits Reimbursements



Data is from January 15 to December 2022.

\*UHC Medicare – as of April 4, 2022, COVID Home Test Kits will be covered by Medicare, <https://www.cms.gov/newsroom/fact-sheets/medicare-covers-over-counter-covid-19-tests>

# SFHSS Specific Data — COVID Home Test Kits (as of 01/01/2023)

On January 10, 2022, the Department of Labor (DOL), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and the Treasury Department released a series of FAQs under the Affordable Care Act (ACA) Part 51. This was in response to the Biden-Harris administration’s directive to issue guidance requiring group health care plans and insurers to provide coverage of over-the-counter, in-home COVID-19 diagnostic tests.

Beginning January 15th, until the end of the Coronavirus Public Health Emergency, individuals can get up to eight (8) over-the-counter tests each month. If you purchase a test kit that includes two tests, that will count as two of your eight covered tests.

**For the most up-to-date information on coverage of COVID Home Test Kits, visit [SFHSS.org](https://www.sfhss.org) or your carrier website.**

Carrier	Carrier Website for More Information on How to Submit for Reimbursement	Additional Notes
<b>Blue Shield of California</b>	<a href="https://www.blueshieldca.com/bsca/bsc/wcm/connect/sites/Sites_Content_EN/coronavirus/coverage-testing">https://www.blueshieldca.com/bsca/bsc/wcm/connect/sites/Sites_Content_EN/coronavirus/coverage-testing</a>	No \$ cap on tests
<b>Kaiser Permanente (Non-Medicare)</b>	<a href="https://kp.org/coronavirus">kp.org/coronavirus</a>	Up to \$12 per test including shipping & sales tax
<b>Kaiser Permanente (Medicare)</b>	<a href="https://kp.org/coronavirus">kp.org/coronavirus</a>	Up to \$12 per test including shipping and sales tax
<b>UnitedHealthCare (Non-Medicare)</b>	<a href="https://myuhc.com">myuhc.com</a>	Up to 8 test available at no cost through myuhc.com — OptumRX Store
<b>UnitedHealthCare (Medicare)</b>	<a href="https://retiree.uhc.com/main/covid-19-update">https://retiree.uhc.com/main/covid-19-update</a>	Free at CMS participating pharmacies; <b>member must provide red, white &amp; blue Medicare card</b>
<b>Health Net</b>	<a href="https://healthnet.com/COVID19">healthnet.com/COVID19</a>	8 kits/30-day period available at no cost and/or reimbursement of \$12 dollars per test. Test kit with 2 test strips = \$12 X 2 = \$24