

San Francisco Health Service System Health Service Board

COVID-19 Update

March 10, 2022

SFHSS Specific Data — Testing

Test Results	Blue Shield of California (BSC) as of 2/24	Kaiser Permanente of California ^[1]		UnitedHealthcare (UHC)	
		Non-Medicare as of 3/1	Medicare as of 3/1	Non-Medicare as of 2/28	Medicare as of 1/19
Positive	1,638	6,819	1,070	45	108
Negative	27,507	198,278	27,675	543	1,965
Inconclusive / Unknown	NR	NR	NR	1,255	6,244
Total	29,145 ^[2]	205,097	28,745	1,843	8,317

Note: UHC Medicare data not updated due to system upgrades.

NR Not Reported

[1] Does not represent unique members

[2] May be underreported due to claim submission lag

SFHSS Specific Data — Vaccines

Test Categories	Blue Shield of California (BSC) as of 2/24	Kaiser Permanente of California		UnitedHealthcare (UHC)	
		Non-Medicare as of 3/1	Medicare as of 3/1	Non-Medicare as of 2/28	Medicare ^[1,2] as of 1/19
	Dose	Individuals		Individuals	
Partial	1,133	730	75	611	1,076
Fully	26,011	45,814	12,975	662	13,790
Total	27,144	46,544	13,047	1,273	14,866
Booster / Third Vaccination	16,089	30,082	11,439	524	8,529

Total Members	36,748	55,276	13,549	3,200	17,107
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[1] The payment for the administration of vaccinations will now be the plan responsibility under the UHC Group MA plan as of 1/1/22.

[2] UHC Medicare is counting the 2nd shot as a booster if the member received the J&J vaccine initially.

Vaccines are provided to all at no cost to members.

Note: UHC Medicare data not updated due to system upgrades.

SFHSS Specific Data — Vaccines By Age Groups

	Age Group (in years)	Partially Vaccinated	Fully Vaccinated	Booster/ 3rd Vaccination
Blue Shield of California	5 – 11	187	1,449	—
	12 – 17	104	2,271	713
	18 and older	842	22,291	15,376
	Total	1,133	26,011	16,089
UnitedHealthcare Non-Medicare	<18	16	71	9
	18 – 39	104	134	66
	40 – 64	446	374	407
	65+	45	83	42
	Total	611	662	524
Kaiser Permanente of California	5-11	165	2,363	N/A
	12-17	72	3,555	1,547
	18-40	261	15,510	9,901
	41-64	212	22,675	17,162
	65+	20	1,711	1,472
	Under 65 - KPSA	1	171	141
	65+ KPSA	74	12,801	11,298
	Total	805	58,786	41,521

3rd vaccine and booster data combined
BSC and Kaiser to confirm totals

SFHSS Specific Data — Hospitalizations

Blue Shield
of California

150 cases

Kaiser Permanente
of California

551 cases
(of which 91 were in ICU)

UnitedHealthcare
Non-Medicare

253 cases
(of which 10 were/are in ICU
and 4 with a ventilator)

UnitedHealthcare
Medicare

298 cases
(of which 64 were/are ICU
and 27 with a ventilator)

Data is from March 2020 to February 2022.

Note: UHC Medicare data not updated due to system upgrades.

SFHSS Specific Data — COVID Home Test Kits (as of 2/28/2022)

On Jan. 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
Blue Shield	https://www.blueshieldca.com/bsca/bsc/wcm/connect/sites/Sites_Content_EN/coronavirus/coverage-testing	No \$ cap on tests
Kaiser Permanente (Non-Medicare)	kp.org/coronavirus	No \$ cap on tests
Kaiser Permanente (Medicare)	kp.org/coronavirus	KPSA is covering test for members, with no \$ cap on tests
United HealthCare (Non-Medicare)	myuhc.com	Up to 8 test available at no cost through myuhc.com – OptumRX Store
United HealthCare (Medicare)	sfhss.org/testing	Preferred pharmacy or direct member reimbursement up to \$12/ test
HealthNet	healthnet.com/COVID19	Up to \$12 dollars per test

SFHSS Specific Data — COVID Home Test Kits Reimbursements

Blue Shield
of California

53 Test kits dispensed

Kaiser Permanente
of California

Not available yet

UnitedHealthcare
Non-Medicare

Not available yet

UnitedHealthcare
Medicare

130 Test kits dispensed

Data is from January 15 to February 2022.

SFHSS Specific Data — Data Elements Under Review

SFHSS has inquired with the carriers on the following data elements. The carriers are working on these requests.

- Post-acute Sequelae of COVID (PASC) or “Long-Hauler” claims ICD10 code U09.9
- Treatment framework details
- Information on possible 4th shot for Immunocompromised

COVID-19 Health Plan Benefit Information

Benefit Topic	BSC as of 2/24/2022	Kaiser Non-Medicare as of 3/2/2022	Kaiser Medicare as of 3/2/2022	UHC Non-Medicare as of 1/31/2022	UHC Medicare as of 2/28/2022
Early Rx Refills Available?	Yes	At Pharmacist's discretion and may allow up to a 100-day supply (no end date on this)	At Pharmacist's discretion and may allow up to a 100-day supply (no end date on this)	No	No
Tele-Medicine Copays	Via PCP: Copays waived Via Teladoc: No copay	No copay (no end date on this)	No copay (no end date on this)	Regular copay applies	Regular copay applies
Tele-Behavioral Health Copays	No copay	No copay (no end date on this)	No copay (no end date on this)	Regular copay applies	Regular copay applies
Testing/Diagnostics Copays	Copays waived	Copays waived through the last day of the month following the end of the national public health emergency	Copays waived through last day of the month following the end of the national public health emergency.	Copays waived through 10/17/2021	Copays waived through the national public emergency
Treatment Copays	Copays waived for treatment between 3/31/2020 – 2/28/2021	Copays waived through 7/31/21	Copays waived through 12/31/21	Copays waived through 4/29/2021 Out-of-Network waived through 10/22/2020	Copays waived through 3/31/2021

COVID-19 Health Plan Benefit Information (continued)

Benefit Topic	BSC as of 2/24/2022	Kaiser Non-Medicare as of 3/2/2022	Kaiser Medicare as of 3/2/2022	UHC Non-Medicare as of 1/31/2022	UHC Medicare as of 2/28/2022
Specialist and Primary Care Copays	If a member presents at a specialist office and receives testing or treatment with a COVID-19 diagnosis, there would be no member cost share for services	Copays waived through 7/31/21	Copays waived through 12/31/21	Pan deductible and coinsurance applies	Copays waived through 9/30/2020 for Specialist; through 12/31/2020 for Primary Care
Other	https://www.blueshieldca.com/coronavirus/your-coverage	https://healthy.kaiserpermanente.org/northern-california/health-wellness/coronavirus-information	https://healthy.kaiserpermanente.org/northern-california/health-wellness/coronavirus-information	Emotional support line available: 1-866-342-6892 Sanvello: On-demand emotional support mobile app, free to members https://www.uhc.com/health-and-wellness/health-topics/covid-19	