

## Free COVID-19 self-tests for citizens, as of 21 December

The Ministry of Health informs that the **free distribution of self-test kits** from the pharmacies will start on **Tuesday, 21 December** and citizens can receive the package of five self-tests within a period of **one month from the start of the procedure, just once**. Through the process of the rapid antigen self-tests, citizens will be able to protect both their health and that of their loved ones.

**Beneficiaries** are the citizens who have completed their vaccination scheme with two doses for the two-dose vaccines and one dose for the single-dose vaccine or received the booster/3<sup>rd</sup> dose of the vaccine and are also beneficiaries of the GHS.

**a)** Beneficiaries of the GHS may get their self-test kits from pharmacies which are contracted with the GHS, upon presentation of proof of identification.

- The package includes **five self-tests** and citizens will have the opportunity to carry out the examination if they so wish, to see if they are positive for SARS-CoV-2.
- In case of a **positive result**, citizens should contact their Personal Doctor to refer them for a **PCR** test at a Public Health Centre in the district of their residence.

**b)** Citizens who are not beneficiaries of the GHS, but have completed their vaccination scheme in Cyprus, either with two doses for the two-dose vaccines or one dose for the single-dose vaccine, or have received the booster/3<sup>rd</sup> dose of the vaccine, can pick up the package containing the five self-tests from the following points, daily **from 10:30 a.m. to 13:00 p.m.:**

District	Location	Address
Lefkosia	Lefkosia Old Hospital	Nechru Avenue, Agios Andreas, Postal Code 1102, Lefkosia
Lemesos	Maternity Centre, Lemesos Old Hospital	Leontiou A' 188, Postal Code 3022, Lemesos
Larnaka	Maternity Centre, Larnaka Old Hospital	Grigori Afxentiou Avenue 40, Postal Code 6021, Larnaka
Pafos	Maternity Centre, Pafos General Hospital	Achepans 8026, Postal Code 8100, Pafos
Ammochostos	Maternity Centre, Ammochostos Health Centre	Christou Kkeli 25, Postal Code 5310, Paralimni

In case of a **positive result**, citizens must contact the Coordination of Public Health Clinics via email: [coordination.iatreiadygeias@moh.gov.cy](mailto:coordination.iatreiadygeias@moh.gov.cy) by sending their identification details (name, surname, telephone number, ID number, date of birth and district), as well as a photo of their positive self-test.

**c)** Instructions on how to carry out the rapid antigen test, can be found at the following link: <https://youtu.be/FyP3NDTapUE>.

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