

# Entering a COVID-19 “At-Home” or Patient Self-Administered Test Result

What to do if a patient calls you informing you that they tested positive on an at-home test.

## 1. Recommend confirmatory testing!

*There's no way for us to verify that this is actually a positive test result. Think of it like an at-home pregnancy test. If someone calls saying they took a pregnancy test and it indicated that they are pregnant, would an OBGYN just take their word or get confirmatory testing done?*

## 2. Enter the Lab in MIDIS

- a. Search for the Patient in MIDIS.
  - i. If no patient exists, manually create a new file for them.
- b. Go to the “Events” tab of the patient file.

The screenshot shows the 'Patient File' interface. At the top right, it says 'User : Sam Saycich' and has a red 'TEST' button. Below that are 'Delete' and 'Print' buttons. The main header area shows 'Test Patient | Female | 08/19/1996 (25 Years)' and 'Patient ID: 2918148'. There are three tabs: 'Summary', 'Events' (which is circled in red), and 'Demographics'. At the bottom right of the tabs, there are links for 'Expand All' and 'Collapse All'.

- c. Select “Add New” next to “Lab Reports”.

The screenshot shows the 'Patient Events History' interface. At the top, it says 'Test Patient | Female | 08/19/1996 (25 Years)' and 'Patient ID: 2918148'. There are three tabs: 'Summary', 'Events' (selected), and 'Demographics'. Below the tabs are links for 'Expand All' and 'Collapse All'. A navigation bar contains links for 'Investigations', 'Lab Reports', 'Morbidity Reports', 'Vaccinations', 'Treatments', 'Documents', and 'Contact Records'. The main section is titled 'Patient Events History' and has two expandable sections: 'Investigations (0)' and 'Lab Reports (1)'. The 'Lab Reports (1)' section has an 'Add New' button circled in red and a 'Back To Top' link. Below this is a table with the following data:

Date Received	Reporting Facility/Provider	Date Collected	Test Results	Associated With	Program Area	Event ID
06/29/2021	Reporting Facility:	06/29/2021	Hepatitis A virus RNA:		Hepatitis	OBS16998181MT01

- d. Update any patient information in the “Patient” tab of the lab report.
- e. Go to the “Lab Report” tab.

f. Select "Clear/Reassign" next to reporting facility.

<b>Test Patient   Female   08/19/1996 (25 Years)</b>		<b>Patient ID:</b> 2918148
Address: 1400 East Broadway, Helena, MT 59601		SSN:

\* Indicates a Required Field

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**Facility and Provider Information**

\* Reporting Facility:

Reporting Facility Selected: Montana Department of Health and Human Services  
Helena, Montana 59620-2951  
406-444-0273

g. Enter "ATHOME" and select "Quick Code Lookup".

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**Facility and Provider Information**

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Reporting Facility Selected:

h. Repeat this step for "Ordering Facility".

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**Facility and Provider Information**

\* Reporting Facility:

Reporting Facility Selected: COVID At-Home  
Patient Self-Administered Test  
Montana

Ordering Facility:  -

Ordering Facility Selected:

- i. Update Order Details
  - i. Leave ordering provider blank.
  - ii. Assign “General Communicable Disease” for “Program Area”.
  - iii. Jurisdiction will default to your jurisdiction. If you are entering this into MIDIS for a patient that is not your resident, please correct this to the jurisdiction it should be going to.
  - iv. Leave “Lab Report Date” blank.
  - v. Correct the “Date Received by Public Health” to the date that the patient informed you they were positive.
  - vi. For female patients, you can enter a pregnancy status if you’d like. This is NOT required.

**Order Details**

\* Program Area:

\* Jurisdiction:

Shared Indicator:

Lab Report Date:

\* Date Received by Public Health:

Pregnancy Status:

Weeks:

- j. Update Ordered Test
  - i. Select "Search" next to "Ordered Test".
  - ii. Enter "94558-4" and select "Long List". Hit "Submit".

**Search For Ordered Test**

Test Name:

Search:  Short list, includes local tests  
 Long list, includes standard (LOINC) tests

- iii. Select the blue hyperlinked "94558-4".

**Ordered Test Search Results**

**Search Results**

[New Search](#) | [Refine Search](#)

Your Search Criteria: Resulted Test contains ' 94558-4 ' resulted in 1 possible matches.

Test Name	Method	System	Priority
<a href="#">94558-4</a> SARS-CoV-2 Ag Resp QI IA.rapid	IA.RAPID	RESPIRATORY	PRTHR

- iv. Leave "Accession Number" blank.
- v. You can enter a specimen source if you know it. For nose, enter "Nose (nasal passage)".
- vi. Leave "Specimen Site" blank.
- vii. If the patient reports when they did the test, please use that date as the specimen collection date/time.
- viii. Leave "Patient Status at Specimen Collection" blank.

**Test Results**

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**Ordered Test**

Ordered Test: SARS-CoV-2 Ag Resp QI IA.rapid (94558-4)

Accession Number:

Specimen Source:

Specimen Site:

Specimen Collection Date/Time:

Patient Status at Specimen Collection:

- k. Update Resulted Test
  - i. Repeat steps Ji-Jiii above for “Resulted Test”.
  - ii. Update “Coded Result” to “detected”.
  - iii. Update “Status” to “Final”.
  - iv. Select “Add”.

Resulted Test

	Resulted Test	Coded Result / Organism Name	Numeric Result	Units	Text Result	Ref Range From	Ref Range To	Status	Result Comments
No Data has been entered.									

\* Resulted Test: SARS-CoV-2 Ag Resp QI IA.rapid (94558-4)

Coded Result:

Numeric Result:

Units:

Text Result:

Reference Range From:

Reference Range To:

Status:

Result Comments:

- v. You'll see it update in the table right beneath “Resulted Test”. It should look like this:

Resulted Test

	Resulted Test	Coded Result / Organism Name	Numeric Result	Units	Text Result	Ref Range From	Ref Range To	Status	Result Comments
	SARS-CoV-2 Ag Resp QI IA.rapid	detected						Final	

- i. You can add a “Lab Report Comment” if you’d like at the bottom of the investigation. For instance, you could enter “Patient called and reported that they were positive on an at-home test from Walgreens on 9/14.” **PLEASE DO NOT ENTER ANY PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION IN THE COMMENTS!**

Lab Report Comments

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Add Comments

Comments:

- m. Select “Submit” in the bottom-right corner.

## Scenarios that Might Come Up

- Patient has at-home positive, is asymptomatic, and is not a close contact: Suspect
- Patient has at-home positive, has symptoms, doesn't want confirmatory testing, doesn't know anyone around them that's a case: Suspect
- Patient has at-home positive, has symptoms, doesn't want confirmatory testing, knows they were exposed to a positive: Probable
- Patient has at-home positive, has symptoms, doesn't want confirmatory testing, is a member of an exposed risk cohort as defined by public health authorities during an outbreak or during high community transmission: Probable
- Patient has at-home positive, has symptoms, and gets confirmatory testing done (antigen): Probable
- Patient has at-home positive, gets confirmatory testing done (PCR): Confirmed