## **COVID-19 Nursing Home Data**

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#### Nursing Home Resident Incidence, statewide April 16, 2020 – June 8, 2022

#### Resident Census: 17,822

















#### **COVID-19 Cases and Deaths in Nursing Homes**

New cases and deaths (weekly)





#### **CT Nursing Home COVID-19 Webpage**

The Nursing Home Report is published **weekly** on our DPH Open Data Portal: <u>COVID-19 data resources | Connecticut Data</u>

See more data stories about COVID-19 in Connecticut





## How to get at-home over-the-counter COVID-19 test for free?

- \*Starting January 15, 2022, most people with a health plan can go online, or to a pharmacy or store to purchase an at-home over-the-counter COVID-19 diagnostic test authorized by the FDA at no cost.
- \*This applies whether you purchased your health plan on your own or whether you get health insurance through your job.
- \*The test will either be free directly at the point of sale, if your health plan provides for direct coverage, or by reimbursement if you are charged for your test.
- \*As of March 2022, individuals are also eligible to order additional tests from the federal government. Visit <u>www.covid.gov/tests</u> to order free at-home testing kits for your household.
- \*For more information please see: <u>https://www.cms.gov/how-to-get-your-at-home-OTC-COVID-19-test-for-free</u>



\*On March 10, 2022, CMS issues updated guidance for visitation in nursing homes during the COVID-19 public health emergency.

\*Visitation can be conducted through different means based on a facility's structure and residents' needs, such as in resident rooms, dedicated visitation spaces, and outdoors.

\*Regardless of how visits are conducted, core principles and best practices of COVID-19 infection prevention should be adhered.

\*Nursing Homes should be familiar with <u>QSO-20-39-NH</u>.



### Thank you

### Questions?

# For additional information please email the DPH HAI-AR Program:

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