



GUIDANCE

Long-term Care Facility (LTCF) Reporting of Point-of-Care (POC), Onsite SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) Test Results

The Commonwealth of Kentucky requires that all long-term care facilities performing point-of-care (POC), onsite testing for COVID-19 report **ALL** results of that testing to the Kentucky Department for Public Health (KDPH). The table on the following page summarizes reporting. Laboratory reporting of specimens sent offsite and tested and resulted by an offsite laboratory are to be reported by the laboratory and the following would not apply.

Facilities that are **Medicare-certified** should be reporting POC test results using the mechanism available through the National Healthcare Safety Network (**NHSN**). Information about this reporting is available at: <https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/ltc/covid19/index.html>. This is the preferred route for reporting, although the option mentioned below for non-Medicare-certified facilities is an alternative.

Facilities that are **not Medicare-certified**, or who are unable or decide not to use NHSN, should be using the portal provided through the Kentucky Health Information Exchange (**KHIE**). Details on the process for gaining access and education concerning the portal are available here: <https://khie.ky.gov/COVID-19/Pages/Direct-Lab.aspx>.

In the interim, until access to NHSN or KHIE is obtained, reporting can occur via flat file (spreadsheet). The spreadsheet, with instructions, can be found here: <https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/os/oig/dhc/Pages/cvltc.aspx>.

In addition to reporting results of all tests, both positive and negative, to either NHSN or KHIE, the facility is also to report **POSITIVE** tests (within 24 hours of result) to the local health department. The process for that reporting should be discussed with the local health department. The following link is for a fillable Case Report Form that combines information from the Kentucky EPID 200 form and the CDC PUI/Case Report Form: <https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/covid19/CDCPUIFormKYFillable.pdf>.

Lastly, each facility is to report **aggregate** results of their testing daily. This will essentially involve reporting on the number of tests performed and the number of tests that were positive. The link to register can be found at: <https://tinyurl.com/KyLabCovidAggRpt> or <https://prd.webapps.chfs.ky.gov/genlogex/Detail.aspx?TK=109&Item=0>.

This simple survey allows us to track the amount of testing performed and provides a way for us to verify that NHSN data is being received by KDPH.

Long-term care facility (LTCF)	Report to Whom/How?
Medicare-certified w/Level 3 access for NHSN:	
<u>ALL</u> Individual Point-of-Care Test Results (+/-)	NHSN* (Federal/State) (PREFERRED) https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/ltc/covid19/index.html KHIE Portal* (State/Federal) (Alternative) https://khie.ky.gov/COVID-19/Pages/Direct-Lab.aspx
<u>POSITIVE</u> results of POC testing	Local Health Department https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/covid19/CDCPUIFormKYFillable.pdf
<u>Aggregate</u> results for POC testing	GenTrack (KDPH): https://tinyurl.com/KyLabCovidAggRpt
Non-Medicare-certified w/o Level 3 access for NHSN:	
<u>ALL</u> Individual Point-of-Care Test Results (+/-)	KHIE Portal* (State/Federal) https://khie.ky.gov/COVID-19/Pages/Direct-Lab.aspx
<u>POSITIVE</u> results of POC testing	Local Health Department https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/covid19/CDCPUIFormKYFillable.pdf
<u>Aggregate</u> results for POC testing	GenTrack (KDPH): https://tinyurl.com/KyLabCovidAggRpt
*interim solution pending access and reporting through NHSN or KHIE portal: XLS Spreadsheet (flat file): https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/os/oig/dhc/Pages/cvltc.aspx	