

# NYC H+H ANNOUNCES THE TRANSITION OF NYC TEST & TREAT CORPS

In preparation for the May 11 expiration of the Federal COVID-19 Public Health Emergency, NYC Health + Hospitals has announced **upcoming changes to existing services and resources.**

NYC Test & Treat Corps itself will phase out, but **NYC Health + Hospitals will make COVID-19 testing, treatment, and vaccination available at its locations** by appointment through its online patient portal or by calling 1-844-NYC-4NYC.

**NYC H+H will also continue to manage the City's 212-COVID19 hotline**, connecting New Yorkers to COVID-19 treatments through NYC Health + Hospitals/Virtual ExpressCare and Long COVID resources through its **AfterCare program and COVID-19 Centers of Excellence.**

## WHAT'S CHANGING?

- **Hospital Testing Tents/Hubs** will end March 31; our testing to move to NYC H+H facilities by appointment
- **Mobile Test-To-Treat:** currently at 40 units, will reduce to 20 units citywide on March 31; will end before May 11.
- **Community PPE/Rapid Test Distribution:** community partners can request pickups while supplies last through early May.
- **Walk-Up Rapid Test Distribution Sites:** our network of nearly 300 libraries, cultural institutions, NYC Parks & other City Agency Sites, etc. will continue to offer at-home tests while their supplies last, possibly beyond May 11.

## OUR NYC TEST & TREAT PARTNERS HAVE SAVED NEW YORKERS

As we begin to reflect on how NYC Test and Treat (previously NYC Test and Trace) has served our communities, we must take the time to acknowledge our community partners.

**With your help, we have**

- **led** Testing & Vaccine **Days of Action**
  - **distributed** much-needed PPE
  - **distributed** at-home test kits
  - **distributed** valuable **educational resources**
- AND SO MUCH MORE.**

**THANK YOU.**



**YOU are the reason there's no stopping NYC!**

# BE YOUR COMMUNITY'S SOURCE FOR AT-HOME RAPID TESTS

**CALLING ALL COMMUNITY CENTERS/PUBLIC SPACES!**

Do you have a lobby or front desk?

The public needs more places to pick up free test kits!

**\*\*Distribute home tests until supplies run out.\*\***

## Become a **Rapid Test Walk-Up Distribution Site!**

Just like **Public Libraries** and many **Cultural Institutions** across NYC, your site could be a safe space for the general public to drop by and pick up rapid tests.

- You set your own public hours (ideally 10-15 hrs/wk)
- You do not have to collect any info from folks picking up
- You can choose to set your own limits per person
- We will deliver bulk test kits to you until early May (preferably full pallet(s); can negotiate based on capacity)
- We will give you a flyer template to post your hours at your site
- We will promote your site info on the NYC Test Site Finder website

### WHAT IS THE PROCESS?

- Complete our Zoom Orientation if you haven't already.
- Schedule a Walk-Up Site Startup Call with our team to finalize details
- Schedule a Bulk Delivery of rapid tests
- Set your Start Date for our online promotion
- Start Distributing!
- Complete our short Report Form before requesting another delivery

Get started by signing up here:

[https://bit.ly/contact\\_testandtreat](https://bit.ly/contact_testandtreat)

# COMMUNITY PPE & RAPID TEST DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM

## PICK UP PPE OR RAPID TESTS TO DISTRIBUTE

For the next few weeks, NYC Health + Hospitals' Community Distribution Program is still operating.

While supplies last, eligible community-based & faith-based organizations can sign up to request a pick-up appointment for masks, cleaning wipes, etc. For rapid tests, eligible orgs can enroll in a test kit orientation to participate.

To participate, sign up here:

[https://bit.ly/rapidkit\\_waitinglist](https://bit.ly/rapidkit_waitinglist)

**PROGRAM WILL  
CONTINUE  
THROUGH  
EARLY MAY 2023**

*Eligible partners can pick up FREE rapid tests and PPE for community distribution. We invite NYC community organizations to learn more and join!*



**Calling all Community Based Organizations & Community Groups! You can now join the program to distribute At-Home Test Kits.**

Scan the QR code to sign-up today!  
[bit.ly/rapidkit\\_waitinglist](https://bit.ly/rapidkit_waitinglist)



[https://bit.ly/testkit\\_recruitment](https://bit.ly/testkit_recruitment)

Go to this link above to get this flyer in 13 languages! Help us recruit more community orgs to distribute PPE & Test Kits to folks that need them.

Who's eligible?

- Community-Based Orgs
- Houses of Worship
- Advocacy Groups
- BIDs/Merchants' Assoc.
- Tenants' Association
- Mutual Aid Groups
- Volunteer/Civic Groups
- And MORE!

# LONG COVID RESOURCES WILL BE AVAILABLE

## NYC H+H WILL CONTINUE TO SUPPORT YOU IN YOUR POST-COVID RECOVERY

### AFTERCARE WILL

- **Provide** Long COVID advice and up-to-date information on recovery options
- **Connect** New Yorkers with Long COVID to health and social needs resources that support their recovery
- **Offer** support to all people, regardless of income level insurance coverage, and/or immigration status



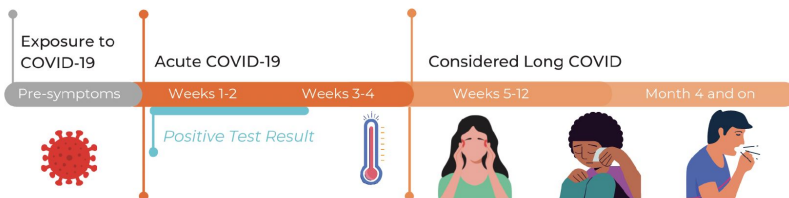
To get connected with **AfterCare resources**, call **212-268-4319** and **press 4** to speak with a member from our **AfterCare Navigation team**.

To find out more information about Long COVID and AfterCare, visit [nyc.gov/AfterCare](http://nyc.gov/AfterCare).



## Are you still feeling COVID-19 symptoms, weeks or months later? It might be Long COVID.

Long COVID is a wide range of new, returning, or ongoing health problems people can experience **four or more weeks after first contracting COVID-19**.



- Long COVID can happen to anyone who has had COVID-19, even if it was a mild or asymptomatic infection.
- One out of three of people with COVID-19 might continue to experience symptoms weeks and months after their initial diagnosis.
- Long COVID can also have social and economic impacts, especially for populations already disproportionately burdened by health inequity. Fatigue and pain can affect mobility, concentrating at work is harder with brain fog, and anxiety and depression can alter one's outlook on life.
- Long COVID may also be known as **post-COVID**, **long-haul COVID**, **post-acute COVID-19**, **long-term effects of COVID**, or **chronic COVID**.
- Many patient groups and researchers are working on studies to better understand the root cause of Long COVID and how to treat it. Recovery time varies between people, but rehabilitative and therapeutic approaches can help alleviate symptoms for people with Long COVID.

## LEARN MORE ABOUT NYC HEALTH & HOSPITALS' COVID CENTERS OF EXCELLENCE

NYC H+H has 3 Community Health Centers in the Bronx, Brooklyn, and Queens, dedicated to those recovering from COVID-19 and offering a wide range of services to keep you and your family healthy.

For more info about our **COVID Centers of Excellence (Tremont, Bushwick, and Jackson Heights)**, call us at 844-NYC-4NYC (844-692-4692) or visit us online: [www.nychealthandhospitals.org/covid-19-center-of-excellence/](http://www.nychealthandhospitals.org/covid-19-center-of-excellence/)

# NYC HEALTH + HOSPITALS VALUES YOUR VOICE



## Join Our Community Advisory Board

Become an Active Voice for Your Community's Health Care Concerns

### About the Community Advisory Board (CAB)

NYC Health + Hospitals' Community Advisory Boards (CABs) are made up of volunteers representing each of our 21 facilities serving the City of New York. Each CAB member will serve a two-year term with term-limited reappointments.

### The Mission

- + Give voice to the needs and concerns of your community
- + Raise community awareness about the health care services available at NYC Health + Hospitals facilities
- + Advocate to strengthen our critical public health care system

### Qualifications for Community Advisory Board Members

- + Be at least 18 years of age
- + Be a team player
- + Live near or utilize one of the NYC Health + Hospital facilities listed
- + Not employed by NYC Health + Hospitals
- + Not employed as an elected official or working for the office of an elected official
- + Able to participate in meetings, special events and advocacy efforts
- + Share professional skills in event planning, public health, policy analysis, community outreach, communications, marketing, public relations, leadership, finance, public speaking

### How to Become a Community Advisory Board Member

To learn more or to schedule an interview, email us your name and contact information.

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For Gotham Health Facilities

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**CAB members will represent the following NYC Health + Hospitals facilities:**

#### BRONX

Gotham Health, Belvis  
Gotham Health, Morrisania  
Jacobi  
Lincoln  
North Central Bronx

#### BROOKLYN

Coney Island  
Gotham Health, Cumberland  
Gotham Health, East NY  
Kings County  
McKinney  
Woodhull

#### MANHATTAN

Bellevue  
Carter  
Coler  
Gotham Health, Gouverneur  
Harlem  
Metropolitan  
Gotham Health, Sydenham

#### QUEENS

Elmhurst  
Queens

#### STATEN ISLAND

Sea View

Visit us online at: [nyhealthandhospitals.org/CABS](http://nyhealthandhospitals.org/CABS)

# HEALTH CARE ACCESS BEYOND COVID

## NYC H+H HAS YOU COVERED!

NYC Care is a health care access program that guarantees low-cost and no-cost services to New Yorkers who do not qualify for or cannot afford health insurance.

### NYC CARE BENEFITS:

- An **assigned primary care clinician** and appointment within 2 weeks at one of NYC Health + Hospitals' more than 57 locations
- Comprehensive **primary and preventive care services**, as well as age-appropriate screening exams
- Access to NYC Health + Hospitals' **specialty care and behavioral health** care services
- **Dedicated care teams**. Each PCP will have team of nurses, patient coordinators, and other clinical staff to assist members be the healthiest they can be
- Access to a **24/7 member service hotline**
- Access to affordable **prescription benefits & 24/7 pharmacy access**
- A dedicated **membership card**

### TO ENROLL:

- Visit [nycare.nyc](http://nycare.nyc)
- Call 1-646-NYC-Care (1-646-692-2273)



Announcing an exciting new benefit for NYC Care members!  
To be eligible, you must:



- Be an NYC Care member and
  - Have a diagnosis of hypertension and/or diabetes
  - Screen for at risk for food insecurity
- Participants are rescreened every six months for program eligibility
- One Groceries to Go account per household

## Groceries to Go

- ◆ Groceries to Go provides eligible **NYC Care Members** monthly credits to purchase groceries for delivery or pickup.
- ◆ Credits can be used to purchase Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)-eligible foods and beverages through an online platform that links to hundreds of grocery stores across New York City.
- ◆ The credits can also be used to pay for service fees, tips and delivery.
- ◆ Groceries to Go participants also receive a 50% discount on purchases of fresh fruits and vegetables using their credits. Participants can save up to \$30 per month with this discount.



To enroll in Groceries to Go, you must be a resident of NYC, a member of NYC Care and meet other eligibility criteria.

**ENROLL TODAY!**