



Information about COVID-19 Test Prices is Available to the General Public

To ease access to COVID-19 testing and relevant information, the CECC has demanded all local health bureaus across the country to provide information on the testing locations and fees. More information can be found on the Taiwan Centers for Disease Control website, available in a document titled “Application regulations for available self-paid COVID-19 tests” in the “Guidelines on infection control in medical care institutions” under the section of COVID-19.

The fee for the self-paid COVID-19 test is in accordance with Article 21 of the Medical Care Act, stating that the standards by which medical institutions collect fees for medical services shall be approved by competent municipal and county authorities. Testing fees that are not covered by the national health insurance shall be decided by competent municipal and county (city) authorities after considering the opinion of medical experts, which take into consideration Taiwan’s medical facility level, cost analysis report, and market conditions in accordance with review procedures. Currently, 84 designated hospitals nationwide are offering self-paid tests, ranging in cost from NT\$ 5,000 to NT\$7,000. In addition, 37 hospitals provide rapid testing that deliver results on the same day of testing for a cost of NT\$7,000.

The price for a self-paid COVID-19 test varies from country to country, according to the information provided by overseas offices, the price in the U.S. is approximately US\$250 (equivalent to around NT\$7,100); while the price in England ranges from 130 to 200 GBP (equivalent to NT\$5,000 to NT\$7,000); and tests in Japan are between \$25,000 to \$50,000 JPY (equivalent to NT\$7000 to NT\$14,000). These prices show that the COVID-19 test price in Taiwan is similar to the prices seen in other countries.

[For more information, please refer to the 12/02 press release.](#)