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TO: CT DPH Stakeholders and Entities

FROM: Francesca Provenzano, MPH, RS, Chief
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RE: iHealth Test Kit Extension

On July 5, 2022, the manufacturer of [iHealth COVID-19](#) antigen rapid test kits announced that they had received approval through the [Food and Drug Administration \(FDA\)](#) to extend the expiration date on their test kits for an additional three-months. This second FDA approval extends the shelf-life for all iHealth tests to **six months past the labeled expiration date on the box**. For example, if the expiration date printed on your test kit box reads 2022-08, the updated expiration date is 2023-02.

iHealth Test Kit instructions are available in multiple languages including Albanian, Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Haitian Creole, Japanese, Khmer, Polish, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish, and Vietnamese. Please visit the links below to view the FDA letter and look up the new expiration date.

Also, attached to this memorandum is guidance issued by the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection related to appropriate disposal of rapid antigen test kits, in the event your existing supplies of iHealth test kits (or other test kit brands) have gone beyond their **extended** expiration date. Always check with the manufacturer before discarding your test kits, as they have likely received FDA approval for a shelf-life extension.

If you have any questions, or would like to obtain alternative language instructions, please submit an email to PHAD.dph@ct.gov.

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