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COVID-19 Antigen Self-Test Expiration Extensions

The California Department of Public Health endorses the emergency use of over-the-counter COVID-19 Tests *beyond* their FDA authorized expiration. This blanket extension, subject to appropriate internal control development* during testing, is valid until CDPH posts that the emergency extension has ended, at which point participants should cease using tests beyond their printed expiration dates.

The emergency extension applies to *all* FDA authorized over-the-counter COVID-19 tests, including:

- **Abbott BinaxNOW™ COVID-19 Antigen Self-Test**
- **AccessBio CareStart™ COVID-19 Antigen Home Test**
- **ACON Flowflex™ COVID-19 Antigen Home Test**
- **iHealth™ COVID-19 Antigen Rapid Test**
- **On/Go™ COVID-19 Antigen Self-Test**

*The internal control line after test development should be both easily visible and the color specified by the specific test instructions.