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PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY PERIOD EXTENDS COVID-19 TESTING COST SHARE WAIVER THROUGH APRIL 11, 2023

On **January 11, 2023**, the Federal Public Health Emergency (PHE) period for COVID-19 was extended through **April 11, 2023**. Therefore, **Health and Human Services (HHS)** has extended the cost-share waiver for COVID-19 diagnostic testing and related office visits.

"In compliance with **The Families First Coronavirus Response Act** and HHS guidance, health plans following Cigna's standard coverage will continue to cover individualized COVID-19 diagnostic tests and related visits without customer cost share through the PHE. ***Testing done for employment purposes remains not covered."***

"Any client who has elected a benefit different than standard coverage, such as an extension of testing beyond the PHE, will maintain their selected benefit coverage unless they notify Cigna requesting a change."

"The coverage includes FDA-approved COVID-19 diagnostic tests administered by an in or out-of-network health care provider."

If you have any questions, or need any additional information please contact the Cigna office at (340)714-7386 or (340)719-8081 or the Division of Personnel's Group Health Insurance Unit at (340) 774-8588 or (340) 718-8588.