Texas Division of Emergency Management
Chambers of Commerce BinaxNow Testing Project Summary
January 22, 2021

1) Each Chamber of Commerce which chooses to participate in this project will submit its information at https://arcg.is/Gmb5v.

2) Each Chamber will have at least one individual register and complete the test administrator training for BinaxNow (Binax-300) at www.preparingtexas.org.

3) Once the Chamber has at least one individual who successfully completes the Binax-300 training, TDEM logistics staff will reach out to the Chamber to initiate delivery of test kits.

4) Each Chamber will receive an allocation of tests to distribute to small businesses in their community.

5) Once the chamber has scheduled delivery of test kits, it may reach out to small businesses to offer BinaxNow test kits for the use of the business to test employees so long as the business agrees to have at least one test administrator trained to conduct testing, to report every test result through the txrapidtest.org application and to make all testing voluntary.

6) The Chamber will determine the small businesses to which they will provide test kits.

7) Once the chamber has identified the small businesses which will participate in the project, the chamber will provide TDEM with the each business’ information at https://arcg.is/Gmb5v.

8) TDEM will notify txrapidtest.org of the new businesses to include in the site selection menu.

9) Once a week, each Chamber will notify TDEM of the number of test kits allocated to each business in their program.

10) Each business will be responsible for determining how it will conduct testing of its employees within the following guidelines:
   a. All testing of employees must be voluntary and not a condition of employment.
   b. Testing may be conducted on symptomatic or asymptomatic employees.
   c. All tests conducted must be reported through the txrapidtest.org application.

11) Notify participating businesses that they will need to treat the used BinaxNow test cards as medical waste according to the guidelines in the Medical Waste for Schools document on TDEM’s website: www.tdem.texas.gov/chambertesting/

12) Once Test kits have been allocated to the business, 70% of all tests allocated to the business must have results reported through txrapidtest.org prior to the business receiving another allocation if available. TDEM will provide that information to the Chamber test coordinator.

13) Once TDEM has verified at least 70% of all tests have been reported by the Chamber, the Chamber may make another allocation to the business based upon availability of tests.

14) If a business which opted into the program later chooses to opt out, the business must return all unused test kits to the chamber.