

Advocates Seek Rapid In-Home HIV Tests in Australia

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Australian HIV groups are calling on the government to lift a national ban that prevents HIV testing kits from being sold for at-home use, The Sydney Morning Herald reports. In Australia, a vigorous debate about at-home HIV testing has ensued following the U.S. Food and Drug Administration's July 3 decision to approve the over-the-counter sale of the OraQuick In-Home HIV Test. Manufactured by OraSure Technologies and available at U.S. pharmacies this October, the oral swab-based test gives results in 20 to 40 minutes. Australian activists are pushing their lawmakers to reconsider legislation that bans at-home testing for serious diseases. However, reports indicate that the national ban hasn't prevented some Australians from purchasing the OraQuick test online.

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