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Sauk County Public Health Hosting Free COVID-19 Testing in Spring Green

Sauk County Public Health, in partnership with the Wisconsin National Guard, will be conducting the county's 2nd drive-through testing for residents currently showing symptoms of the COVID-19 virus. This testing will be available for Sauk County residents only and will take place on **Thursday, May 7 from 10 am – 5 pm at River Valley High School in Spring Green.**

In order to be tested, Sauk County residents **must call the Sauk COVID hotline for an appointment at 608-355-3200.** You will be required to present proof at the time of testing that you live in Sauk County. This can be a driver's license or current bill with your name and address on it.

This is not an anti-body test and will not tell you if you have previously had COVID and now have recovered. But it will tell you if you have it at the time of testing. Symptoms of COVID-19 include: cough, fever, chills, sore throat, headache, fatigue, muscle aches, loss of smell, loss of taste, abdominal pain, vomiting, diarrhea, runny nose, shortness of breath.

We are able to test multiple people from one household in 1 vehicle, but they must each have a scheduled appointment. This is a drive-thru test, meaning everyone must remain in their vehicle at all times. The test will take on average 10 minutes and involves a nasal swab test. Once collected, the sample will be sent to a state-approved lab, from which we should have the results returned in 2-5 days.

“As we move into the next phase of our local COVID response, it is very important that people with any symptoms of COVID-19 get tested so that we can start getting back to work and back to all the great things we love about Sauk County ,” said Tim Lawther, Sauk County Health Officer. “We are fortunate to be able to provide another COVID-19 community testing opportunity and deeply appreciate the generous assistance of the Wisconsin National Guard as we all work to prevent further spread of this virus.

Please remember to continue using safe practices like washing your hands, staying home and social distancing. Anyone with further questions can call the hotline at 608.355.3200.

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