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COVID-19 Update: Testing in Lucas County Expanded

Lucas County Commissioner Tina Skeldon Wozniak, Toledo Mayor Wade Kapszukiewicz and Toledo Lucas County Health Commissioner Dr. Eric Zgodzinski were joined by community and corporate partners on Tuesday, April 21, 2020 to announce new opportunities for residents to receive COVID-19 testing in Lucas County.

"While we are continuing to abide by the Governor's order to stay at home until at least May 1, we must plan for the future," Commissioner Wozniak said. "The roadmap to recovery from COVID-19 calls for testing to be an important highway because it will give us the much-needed data to safely move forward."

Five new testing sites will open in the coming days and weeks in Lucas County. Details of the sites are listed below.

ProMedica's Vice President of Quality and Patient Safety Dr. Brian Kaminski indicated that it is key for symptomatic people to be tested whenever possible. "In our current state of the coronavirus pandemic, testing is most appropriate for individuals experiencing symptoms of COVID-19. Developing an understanding of disease prevalence in our community is dependent upon prioritizing and testing individuals who feel they may have symptoms of the disease. Community members who are currently experiencing a fever of 100.4 Fahrenheit or greater, with cough and/or shortness of breath can seek a test at one of these sites," he said.

RITE AID
Drive-thru testing at the 7225 Airport Highway location began Monday, April 20 and will run through the end of May.   You must have an appointment and the test is FREE. Eligible populations include Healthcare Facility Workers with symptoms, patients 65 years of age and older with symptoms, patients with underlying health conditions with symptoms, and First Responders with symptoms. You can get pre-screened and set up an appointment by using www.riteaid.com.

KROGER
Drive-thru testing sponsored by Kroger will take place at Metroparks Hawkins Farmhouse, 5434 W. Bancroft Street in Toledo. Testing will run from April 23-April 25 and is FREE. Anyone with COVID-19 symptoms is eligible for a test. You must have an appointment. You can get pre-screened and set up an appointment by visiting krogerhealth.com/covidtesting.

WALMART
Drive-thru testing sponsored by Walmart will take place at Metroparks Hawkins Farmhouse, 5434 W. Bancroft Street in Toledo. Testing will run from Wednesday, April 29 through the end of May or as demand requires. The test is FREE. Anyone with COVID-19 symptoms is eligible for a test. You must have an appointment. You can get pre-screened and make an appointment at www.MyQuestCOVIDTest.com

NEIGHBORHOOD HEALTH ASSOCIATION
Drive thru and walk up testing is available at two locations through NHA. Beginning on Monday, April 27, you can be tested at Nexus Healthcare Center at 1415 Jefferson Ave or Navarre Park Family Care Center at 1020 Varland Ave (this site will have Spanish speakers available). Eligible populations include Anyone with COVID-19 symptoms living in these zip codes 43602, 43604, 43605, 43606, 43607, 43608, 43609, 43610, 43611, 43620 and parts of 43528 (Spencer-Sharpels).You must have an appointment. To be pre-screened and get an appointment for either location, call 419-214-5700.

Matt Sapara, Vice President of Regional Development and Operations at Mercy Health thanked the community partners and reminded all of the 24/7 Nurse COVID-19 hotline numbers. "Mercy and Promedica stand ready to provide additional support to these efforts through its hotlines," he said. The hotline phone numbers are 419-251-4000 or 419-291-5355.

Mayor Kapszukiewicz thanked the corporate, government and non-profit partners who continue to collaborate to meet the needs of the community during this pandemic. "Our Community continues to rise to the occasion and shine under the most difficult of circumstances," he said.

For information on COVID-19, please visit www.LucasCountyHealth.com . The 24/7 Lucas County Community COVID-19 Call Line Numbers are: 419-251-4000 (English only)
and 419-291-5355 (multilingual). The public is asked to call 419-213-4161, press 4, and leave a message to report COVID-19 related concerns such as non-essential businesses operating, essential businesses not adhering to guidelines, or crowds gathering. The Ohio Department of Health COVID-19 website is www.Coronavirus.Ohio.Gov and the Ohio Department of Health hotline is 1-833-4-ASK-ODH (1-833-427-5634).

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