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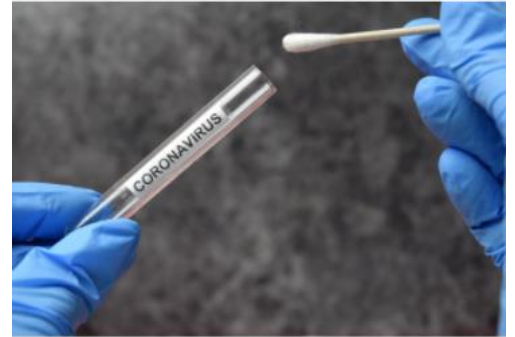
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New COVID-19 Drive-Thru Testing Site Opening on Saturday

Eau Claire, WI, September 22, 2021 – A new community COVID-19 testing site is beginning on Saturday, September 25th at Jacob’s Well Church (3211 N 50th Ave, Lake Hallie, WI) in northern Eau Claire County. Drive-thru testing is FREE for residents.

“This new site will provide an additional location for residents in northwestern Wisconsin to access COVID-19 testing,” says Aimee Wollman Nesseth, Coordinator for the NW Wisconsin Healthcare Emergency Readiness Coalition.



Northwest WI Community Testing Site Hours

- Saturdays: September 25th & October 2nd from 11:00am-6:00pm
- Monday, September 27th from 1:00pm-6:00pm

Site will continue operation after October 2nd, hours will be posted at bit.ly/SymptomsTesting

People are asked to pre-register on the day they plan to get tested at: <https://register.covidconnect.wi.gov>.

If you don’t have access to internet, staff can help you register once you arrive at the site. People under age 18 will need a parent present to consent to be tested.

Who should be tested:

- **Any person age 1 or over who is sick with any of these symptoms:** sore throat, congestion or runny nose, fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, or new loss of taste or smell.
- **Any person age 1 or over who thinks they have been exposed to COVID-19 or is told they are a close contact to someone who tested positive** (have been asked to quarantine), even if they feel healthy. Vaccinated people should get tested after exposure on day 3 or later. Unvaccinated people are recommended to test on day 6 or later.

What to do after being tested:

Following testing, people who are sick should stay home and separate from others as much as possible until they get their results.

For more information about this site, call the Eau Claire City-County Health Department at 715-839-4718.
For more information about symptoms and testing, visit: bit.ly/SymptomsTesting

The Northwest WI Community Testing Site is a partnership between member counties of the Northwest Wisconsin Healthcare Emergency Readiness Coalition (HERC), the Eau Claire City-County Health Department, Jacob's Well Church, Eau County Emergency Management, and WI National Guard.

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