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COVID-19 Testing at Walworth County Fairgrounds Extended, New Testing Site Added

(ELKHORN, WI): Walworth County Public Health has partnered with Fitchburg Family Pharmacy to provide drive-through COVID-19 testing at the Walworth County Fairgrounds through the end of March 2022. Fitchburg Family Pharmacy will take over the fairgrounds testing site effective February 1, 2022.

The Wisconsin National Guard (WING) has conducted testing at the fairgrounds since October 2021. The WING conducted its final day of testing on Jan. 25, as it shifts its operations to provide staffing support to overwhelmed medical facilities.

“We are incredibly grateful for the support of the Wisconsin National Guard over these last few months, and we wish them well on their new assignment,” says Walworth County Public Health Officer Erica Bergstrom. “We look forward to working with Fitchburg Family Pharmacy in a seamless continuation of testing at the Walworth County Fairgrounds.”

Testing at the fairgrounds will be held on Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Pre-registration is encouraged at <https://register.covidconnect.wi.gov>. Testing is free. If residents experience difficulties completing the registration, they may register in person at the test site or call (262) 741-3200. PCR tests are administered for adults and children as young as one year of age. The Walworth County Fairgrounds are located at 411 E. Court St. in Elkhorn. Access to the testing site is via the Fairgrounds’ north gate off Hwy. 11.

New Testing Site

East Troy Fire and Rescue (N8406 HWY ES, East Troy) is conducting free drive-through COVID testing by appointment only. Testing is available Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. To schedule, residents should call (262) 364-8123 (no calls after 10 p.m.). Pre-registration is available at <https://register.covidconnect.wi.gov>. PCR nasal swab tests will be administered.

Additional Testing Sites

Open Arms Free Clinic (205 E. Commerce Ct., Elkhorn) conducts weekly testing on Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. No appointment needed, pre-registration is advised. Register at <https://register.covidconnect.wi.gov>.

The UW-Whitewater offers testing Mondays and Wednesdays from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Fridays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Esker Hall (420 N. Prairie St., Whitewater). Testing is available to all community members ages 5 and up. Testing is free. Register at

<https://www.wihealthconnect.com>. Call the university's COVID hotline at (262) 472-1362 for more information.

COVID-19 rapid and PCR tests are also available through local healthcare providers and select Walgreens locations.

Reporting Testing Concerns

As demand for COVID-19 testing increases, so, too, does the potential for scams. The Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) and Department of Agriculture, Trade & Consumer Protection (DATCP) [issued a press release](#) on Jan. 26, outlining how residents can find trusted COVID-19 testing sites and share concerns relating to testing sites. Residents can direct complaints about a COVID-19 testing experience to the DHS Office of Inspector General by calling (877) 865-3432 or reporting [online](#). DHS encourages people to use trusted testing options, including sites listed on the DHS [COVID-19: Community Testing Sites](#) webpage, health care providers, and local and tribal health departments.

For additional COVID-19 testing and vaccine information, please contact Walworth County Public Health at (262) 741-3200, walcoph@co.walworth.wi.us, follow us on [Facebook](#), or visit us online at www.co.walworth.wi.us.

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