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Health Department to provide COVID-19 Testing in Clewiston & Moore Haven

Hendry/Glades– The Florida Department of Health in Hendry and Glades Counties continues to provide free COVID-19 Testing. Notices for available testing sites, days and times will be sent out on a weekly basis.

<u>Glades County Health Department in Moore Haven</u>: 1021 Health Park Drive, Moore Haven, FL Monday, June 29th from 9:00 a.m. to Noon. (Weather permitting)

<u>Hendry County Health Department in Clewiston</u>: 1100 S. Olympia, Clewston, FL Wednesday July 01, from 9:00 a.m. to Noon. (Weather permitting)

NOTE: Due to the 4th of July Holiday, there will be no testing at the Health Department in LaBelle on Friday, July 3rd.

All Health Department Offices will be closed on July 3rd in honor of the 4th of July Holiday.

This is a "drive-thru" service. All individuals must stay in their vehicles during the process (during registration and while being tested). Persons tested will be given instructions on how to receive their test results. Results may take 5 business days.

Residents of Hendry and Glades Counties can secure an appointment for testing by calling the Hendry County Health Department Clewiston (863) 983-1408, LaBelle (863) 674-4041 or Moore Haven (863) 946-0707

There are no criteria for testing, however, <u>appointments are required</u> and individuals must be 18 years and older. Appointments will not be made more than one week in advance. No same-day appointments will be made. No "walk-ins" accepted. Additionally, anti-body testing will not be available.

<u>Should I be tested for COVID-19?</u> Before you decide to make an appointment to be tested for COVID-19, please consider the following:

- Are you ill, or caring for someone who is ill?
- In the two weeks before you felt sick, did you: Have contact with someone diagnosed with COVID-19?
- Do you have any of the following?
 - 1. Fever or feeling feverish (chills, sweating)
 - 2. Cough
 - 3. Sore throat
 - 4. Muscle aches or body aches
 - 5. Vomiting or diarrhea
 - 6. Change in smell or taste

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- In the last two weeks have you spent time (visited, worked or volunteered) in a hospital, emergency room, clinic, medical office, long-term care facility or nursing home, ambulance service, first responder services, any health care setting or taken care of patients or someone who has been sick?
- Do you have any of the following conditions?
 - 1. Chronic lung disease, moderate to severe asthma, or smoking
 - 2. Serious heart conditions
 - 3. Weakened immune system (cancer treatment, prolonged use of steroids, transplant or HIV/AIDS)
 - 4. Severe obesity (Body Mass Index [BMI] greater than or equal to 40)
 - 5. Underlying conditions (diabetes, renal failure, or liver disease)

Please stop the spread of COVID-19:

- If you have been tested for COVID-19, please stay at home until you receive your test results.
- Follow social distancing, even when you are at work and home (especially if someone in your home is sick)
- Stay at home if you are sick, or if you have been around someone who has been sick.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds
- Cover your coughs and sneezes; cough or sneeze into a tissue NOT in your hands!
- Cover your face with a cloth face covering when you are in public or around others.
- Clean and disinfect frequently used surfaces
- Avoid travel to higher risk areas (areas known to have high numbers of cases)

Please remember: 6 feet of space and cover your face! 6 pies de espacio y cubre tu rostro!

The Florida Department of Health (DOH) releases a report on COVID-19 cases in Florida once per day. There is also a report detailing surveillance data for every Florida county. The Florida Department of Health also releases a list of long-term care facilities in Florida with active cases and number of deaths in each facility.

The surveillance data, long term care data and information on a case-by-case basis can be found at: https://floridahealthcovid19.gov/#latest-stats

En Español: <u>RESPUESTA AL NUEVO CORONAVIRUS2019 (COVID-19)</u> https://floridahealthcovid19.gov/home/espanol/

For information and advisories from Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), please visit the CDC COVID-19 website, this website is also available in Spanish and Creole.

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CENTROS PARA EL CONTROL Y LA PREVENCION https://espanol.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html

The COVID-19 Call Center is available 24/7 | 1 (866) 779-6121 | COVID-19@flhealth.gov

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