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Emmons County Public Health Hosting Final COVID-19 Testing Event By Appointment at 11 a.m. on Monday, March 8

[LINTON, ND] – Emmons County Public Health (ECPH) will be conducting its final COVID-19 testing event by appointment on Monday, March 8, beginning at 11 a.m. Individuals needing testing must call the health unit at (701) 254-4027 to schedule their appointment.

“We want to thank everyone who has helped make our testing events a success,” said ECPH Executive Officer Bev Voller. “These events proved to be an important component in our pandemic response. If we see an increased demand, we are leaving open the possibility for conducting them again.”

After March 8, individuals who want COVID-19 testing are asked to call the Linton clinic or to utilize their healthcare provider.

ECPH asks that individuals who believe they are symptomatic for COVID-19 contact Linton Medical Center (701-254-4531) for testing. ECPH will only be testing individuals who are close contact asymptomatic, individuals who require COVID-19 testing for pre-ops, or testing to fulfill visitation/job/other requirements.

Individuals who would like to be tested will no longer need to pre-register online for the testing event. Instead, upon calling to schedule an appointment, the necessary paperwork will be completed prior to testing. On the day of the testing event, individuals scheduled for testing are asked to come to ECPH, but remain in their vehicles. Nurses will conduct tests on those individuals in their vehicles.

Response times for receiving test results may vary, depending on the capacity of the testing lab. It may take up to seven days for results to be received. For test result

information, visit <https://www.health.nd.gov/diseases-conditions/coronavirus/symptoms-testing-care/test-results>.

All individuals are encouraged to continue practicing universal precautions to keep yourself and those around you as healthy as possible:

- Practice physical distancing that keeps you at least six feet from other people who are not in your household.
- Wear a face covering if social distancing is not possible.
- Wash your hands with soap often. If soap is not available, use hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces.
- Monitor your health daily and be alert for COVID-19 symptoms.

For ongoing response efforts to the COVID-19 pandemic, the North Dakota Department of Health has established a COVID-19 Hotline to help answer your questions. You may call 1-866-207-2880, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. with questions. Please note that individuals seeking specific medical advice should contact their healthcare provider.

Emmons County Public Health has provided a variety of COVID-19 information through its Facebook page. You can connect with them at www.facebook.com/ecph.gov for updates about testing events. For more info about COVID-19, visit the [ND Department of Health website](https://www.health.nd.gov), [NDResponse.gov](https://www.ndresponse.gov), or [CDC website](https://www.cdc.gov).

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