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COVID-19 Testing Sites Available to the General Public

In order to increase the availability of testing for COVID-19, the State of California has partnered with OptumServe to provide additional testing sites for the general public. Additional testing means that more individuals will know if they are infectious, and what steps they can take to isolate themselves and prevent spread of the virus to others.

OptumServe and Monterey County recently launched two community testing sites in Salinas and Greenfield on Wednesday, May 6th. Health care providers are encouraged to refer both symptomatic and asymptomatic patients as well as their patient's families to these COVID-19 testing sites. No physician order is required. Patients and their families will need to schedule an appointment either on-line or by phone. Patients will need to follow Monterey County Health Officer face covering requirements.

Monterey County continues to encourage health care workers and their families to sign up for testing at the OptumServe testing sites as well.

Health providers at OptumServe testing sites will collect nasopharyngeal specimens from individuals and submit the swabs to Quest Laboratories. Optum will directly notify individuals of their test results when tests are completed. Current turn-around time for Optum and Quest is approximately 3 - 4 days but may vary. Individuals should not call the Monterey County Health Department for test results.

All County residents are eligible for testing, regardless of insurance status. Although OptumServe will bill insurance for testing, there is no out-of-pocket cost for individuals. The state will pick up the cost for the uninsured.

Appointments are required. Appointments can be made visiting <https://lhi.care/covidtesting>. Individuals without internet access should call 1-888-634-1123. Individuals will need to provide a valid identification at the time of check-in. A unique identification number will be provided for those that do not have a valid identification.

The following Optum COVID-19 testing locations are available to Monterey County residents. However, individuals can schedule an appointment at any OptumServe COVID-19 testing site in California.

- Salinas - Alisal High School, 777 Williams Road, Tuesday through Saturday, 8 am to 8 pm
- Greenfield - Greenfield Branch of our Monterey County Free Libraries, 315 El Camino Real, Tuesday through Saturday, 8 am to 8 pm
- Hollister - Veteran's Memorial Building, 649 San Benito Street, Sunday through Thursday, 8 am to 8 pm
- Watsonville - Ramsay Park Family Center, 1301 Main Street Wednesday through Sunday, 7 am to 7 pm
- Paso Robles - American Legion Building, 240 Scott Street, Monday through Friday, 7 am to 7 pm

For more information visit www.mtyhd.org/covid19

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