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For Immediate Release: Free COVID-19 Testing on Tuesdays in Wausau with WI National Guard

Wausau, WI – Marathon County Health Department will be hosting free **COVID-19 testing weekly on Tuesdays** with the aid of the Wisconsin National Guard. The event will provide drive-through COVID-19 nasal swab testing at Marathon County Emergency Management Office, 1308 West Street, Wausau Wi 54401 (south of Marathon Park, off 17th Avenue). Non-English speaking support will be available.

- Symptomatic and close contacts are strongly encouraged to get tested. Individuals who have had a known exposure should also be tested.
- Typically the busiest times for these testing clinics is between 8:00-10:00 am.
- 300 tests will be performed on a first come first served basis
- Test will be provided until 4:00 PM or until gone
- Registration for testing can be done electronically. Staff will assist people with registering if needed, but everyone is strongly encouraged to register early.

Instructions can be found at:

<https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/publications/p02721.pdf> (English)

<https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/publications/p02721s.pdf> (Spanish)

<https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/publications/p02721h.pdf> (Hmong)

Individuals and close contacts with symptoms (5 years or older) are eligible for testing. Common COVID-19 symptoms are fever/chills, cough, and shortness of breath. Other

symptoms may include headache, new loss of taste/smell, sore throat, fatigue, body or muscle aches, and diarrhea, vomiting or nausea.

Results from National Guard testing sites typically are returned within 5-7 days. For individuals waiting more than five days for their results, they can call the new Wisconsin Department of Health Services COVID-19 Test Result Hotline at 1-866-419-6988.

For the latest information, visit the CDC's coronavirus website, the [Wisconsin Department of Health Services website](#), or the [Marathon County Health Department](#) webpage or follow us on [Facebook](#).

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