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

Wausau, WI – Marathon County Health Department will be hosting a free **COVID-19 testing on Friday, August 7, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm** with the aid of the Wisconsin National Guard. The event will provide drive-through and walk-up style COVID-19 nasal swab testing at Northcentral Technical College, 1000 W Campus Drive Wausau, in Lot E (off W. Campus Drive). Non-English speaking support will be available.

Individuals with and without 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.

“Testing is a critical tool to slow the spread of COVID-19,” says Joan Theurer, Health Officer for Marathon County. “Our goal is to continue to increase opportunities for those that want to be tested to do so, as well as learn more about how the virus is impacting our residents.”

Results from National Guard testing sites typically are returned within 3-5 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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