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New Drive-Thru COVID-19 Testing Site in Brighton to Provide Saliva Testing

HOWELL, Michigan. - (March 19, 2021) The Livingston County Health Department (LCHD) is excited to announce with LynxDx and the 2|42 Community Center, a new drive-thru COVID-19 testing site in Brighton opening today, Friday, March 19. This new site offers contactless saliva testing and is open to all Michigan residents with or without insurance. COVID-19 continues to spread in the community, and more recently, the B117 variant was discovered in Livingston County. Access to COVID-19 testing is an important tool in helping identify cases and prevent further community spread of COVID-19.

"This new testing site will benefit our entire community," says Juan Marquez, MD, MPH, medical director at LCHD. "We're grateful to partner with Lynx and the 2|42 Community Center in bringing more accessible, faster testing to our county. Additionally, we know there has been a lot of interest in saliva testing. We're excited to bring this no-contact saliva testing option to our community members."

Anyone with COVID-19 symptoms should immediately seek testing. If you were potentially exposed but do not have symptoms, LCHD recommends self-quarantine and waiting at least 5 or more days before testing. If you are in quarantine and develop symptoms, testing is recommended. Symptoms may take up to 14 days after exposure to appear, and individuals are considered contagious two days before symptoms appear.

Anyone getting tested should stay away from others until they get their results. Anyone with symptoms should stay home unless they are getting medical care or testing and limit all contact with others in their household.

Testing Site Information

The testing site opens Friday, March 19. Testing will be available on Mondays and Fridays from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm in the parking lot at the back of 2|42 Community Center/Church, 7526 Grand River Ave., Brighton, MI 48114. The site is drive-thru only. Tests will be contactless and saliva-based (no nasal swabs required). Results will be sent to your email or phone within 48 hours.

Who Can Get Tested?

Testing is open to all Michigan residents. You do not need to have symptoms to get tested. You do not need a doctor's note or order to get tested. Pre-registration is required. Register for a test at https://lynxdx.health/register.

Testing is available with or without insurance. Please bring identification when you arrive for testing. If you have health insurance, please bring your card. There should be no out-of-pocket fees for individuals needing testing. Many insurance providers have already waived copays for COVID-19 testing. If you do not have insurance, testing staff will ask for your social security number to verify that you do not have insurance. Once you arrive on-site for testing, LynxDx will verify your identity and other information. They will then provide a self-testing kit to collect your saliva sample.

About LynxDx

LynxDx, Inc. is a privately held diagnostics company headquartered in Ann Arbor, which spun out of the University of Michigan. LynxDx currently operates a high-complexity molecular diagnostics laboratory, and is focused on commercializing diagnostic tools, including a qPCR assay for COVID-19 and a urine assay to aid in diagnosing prostate cancer (MyProstateScore).

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