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Hendry County Health Department Announces COVI-19 Testing in Clewiston and LaBelle

Hendry County, Fla. – The Florida Department of Health in Hendry County (DOH-Hendry) will provide free COVID-19 Testing in Clewiston and LaBelle starting Thursday, May 14, 2020 by appointment only.

Residents of Hendry County can secure an appointment for testing by calling the Hendry County Health Department Clewiston (863) 983-1408 or LaBelle (863) 674-4041.

There is no criteria for testing, however, **appointments are required** and **individuals must be 18 years and older**. Testing activities will continue as long as supplies last. Appointments will not be made more than one week in advance. Anti-body testing will not be available.

This is a "drive-thru" service. All individuals must stay in their vehicles during the process (during registration and while being tested). At the time of testing, instructions will be given on how to receive test results. Results may take 3 to 5 business days.

Mobile Testing Dates, Times and Locations: **Reminder, you must have an official appointment to be tested.**

Hendry County Health Department - **Clewiston** 1100 S. Olympia, Clewiston, FL
Tuesdays and Thursdays only from 10am to noon and 1pm to 3pm.

Hendry County Health Department - **LaBelle** 1140 Pratt Blvd, LaBelle, FL
Wednesdays and Fridays only from 10am to noon and 1pm to 3pm.

Should I be tested for COVID-19? Before you decide to make an appointment to be tested for COVID-19, please consider the following:

- **Are you ill, or caring for someone who is ill?**
- **In the two weeks before you felt sick, did you:**
 - Have contact with someone diagnosed with COVID-19?
- **Do you have any of the following?**
 - Fever or feeling feverish (chills, sweating)
 - Cough
 - Sore throat
 - Muscle aches or body aches
 - Vomiting or diarrhea
 - Change in smell or taste

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1140 Pratt Boulevard, LaBelle FL 33935 • (863) 674-4041

1100 S Olympia, Clewiston FL 33440 • (863) 983-1408



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- **In the last two weeks have you spent time** (visited, worked or volunteered) in a hospital, emergency room, clinic, medical office, long-term care facility or nursing home, ambulance service, first responder services, any health care setting or taken care of patients or someone who has been sick?
- **Do you have any of the following conditions?**
Chronic lung disease, moderate to severe asthma, or smoking
Serious heart conditions
Weakened immune system (cancer treatment, prolonged use of steroids, transplant or HIV/AIDS)
Severe obesity (Body Mass Index [BMI] greater than or equal to 40)
Underlying conditions (diabetes, renal failure, or liver disease)

Please stop the spread of COVID-19:

- If you have been tested for COVID-19, please stay at home until you receive your test results.
- Follow social distancing, even when you are at home and especially if someone in your home is sick
- Stay at home if you are sick, or if you have been around someone who has been sick.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds
- Cover your coughs and sneezes; cough or sneeze into a tissue NOT in your hands!
- Cover your face with a cloth face covering when you are in public or around others.
- Clean and disinfect frequently used surfaces
- Avoid travel to higher risk areas (areas known to have high numbers of cases)

Please remember: 6 feet of space and cover your face! 6 pies de espacio y cubre tu rostro!

The Florida Department of Health (DOH) releases a report on COVID-19 cases in Florida once per day. There is also a report detailing surveillance data for every Florida county. The Florida Department of Health also releases a list of long-term care facilities in Florida with active cases and number of deaths in each facility.

The surveillance data, long term care data and information on a case-by-case basis can be found at: <https://floridahealthcovid19.gov/#latest-stats>

En Español: [RESPUESTA AL NUEVO CORONAVIRUS2019 \(COVID-19\)](https://floridahealthcovid19.gov/home/espanol/)
<https://floridahealthcovid19.gov/home/espanol/>

For information and advisories from Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), please visit the CDC COVID-19 website, this website is also available in Spanish and Creole.

En Español: <https://floridahealthcovid19.gov/home/espanol/>

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<https://espanol.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

The COVID-19 Call Center is available 24/7 | 1 (866) 779-6121 | COVID-19@flhealth.gov

Additionally, Hendry County has created a local dashboard of information: <https://covid-19.hendryfla.net/>

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