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SOUTH COUNTY PARK COVID-19 TESTING SEPTEMBER 11, 2020



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Port Charlotte, Fla. – In order to meet the demands of the community and serve as an additional resource to our schools and our community, a COVID-19 test site will be open at South County Park Friday, September 11, 2020. This community based COVID-19 testing is for anyone who is five (5) years old and up regardless of symptoms. This site is a curbside/park & test site.

South County Park

670 Cooper Street, Punta Gorda

No appointment needed.

Friday, September 11, 2020 ONLY

3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Antibody testing will not be available during this testing event.

For a list of other COVID-19 testing locations available to Charlotte County residents, go to:
<http://charlotte.floridahealth.gov>.

Other Locations Available

- **Port Charlotte Locations:**
Department of Health in Charlotte County
1100 Loveland Blvd., Port Charlotte
Appointments required. 5 years and older
Make an appointment www.coadfl.org
- **Englewood Locations:**
Charlotte County Tax Collector
Mac V. Horton County Annex
6868 San Casa Drive, Englewood
No appointment needed. 5 years and older
September 5 - 9 a.m. to noon
September 6 - 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Specialty COVID-19 Test Site

Amedisys – Homebound Testing. If you are not able to leave your house due to certain medical reasons, you may be eligible for home services. To find out if you qualify, call 941-391-1316.

Island Doctors - Testing resource for healthcare workers and immunocompromised/persons with special conditions

18700 Veterans Blvd Ste. 9, Port Charlotte FL

Appointments required. Make an appointment 941-263-1776

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
- **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 work and home (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)

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>

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.

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

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