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Clinic Scheduled for COVID-19 Testing

A clinic is scheduled for individuals to be tested for COVID-19. This is the nasopharyngeal viral testing swab, not the antibody test. The Cayuga County Health Department has been following New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) criteria for testing since early March. As the requirements for who needs to be tested/how often has revised by New York State, the number of individuals getting tested at our clinics has decreased. Starting next week, we will offer one clinic per week. If the need for testing and/or demand increases we can extend the hours of this weekly clinic.

The Cayuga County Health Department will be offering a drive-thru COVID-19 clinic on:

- **Tuesday, July 7, 2020 from 8:00am –10:00am.**
- The drive-thru clinic is **by appointment only.**
- Individuals need to make their own appointment and arrive on time.
 - **Employers should not make appointments for their employees, as we need to collect specific, individualized information on each person.**

These drive-thru clinics continue to offer testing for those who are experiencing symptoms or were in direct contact with a confirmed case. Meeting new criteria, the clinic has expanded to essential workers and most recently those employees working under Phase 1, Phase 2, Phase 3 and those employees returning to work in Phase 4. Testing criteria can be viewed at <https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/covid-19-testing#can-i-be-tested->. This clinic is also open to household members of these workers and employees, including children ages two and older.

We are using an online appointment scheduler. Individuals will need to create an account. This information will be saved, should future appointments need to be made.

How to make an appointment –

- Appointments can be made by going to www.cayugacounty.us/health.
- Click on the button titled, COVID-19 Clinics.
- When making your appointment we need your:
 - **Legal name (not nicknames)**
 - Home address
 - Insurance information



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- If the policy is under another person's name, we need his or her legal name and date of birth.
 - If you do not have insurance, write No Insurance in each required field.
 - Phone number that we can use to call you with results.
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