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PERSONAL HEALTH DIVISION

Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department Offers Drive Up COVID-19 Testing

The Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department will start providing drive up testing one day per week at each office starting in Leelanau on Tuesday, September 8th, 2020 and Benzie on Wednesday, September 9th, 2020.

What you need to know:

- Tuesdays, at Leelanau Office (7401 E. Duck Lake Road, Lake Leelanau, MI 49653)
- Wednesdays, at Benzie Office (6051 Frankfort Hwy, Benzonia, MI 49616).
- Testing is available from 9 a.m. 12 p.m., by appointment only.
- Priority for testing is those with symptoms or those who have a known exposure to COVID-19.
- Please bring your insurance card. There is no charge to participants for testing. If uninsured you can still be
- tested and will not be charged.
- To schedule an appointment, call 231-882-4409.

<u>What to expect:</u> When you arrive, you will park in one of the reserved parking spots and call the number on the sign to let the staff know you have arrived. The testing is done through a naso-pharygeal swab (e.g. through your nose to the back of your throat) and will be performed by health care professionals. You will remain in your car throughout the entire testing process. Results are expected to take 4-7 days and participants will be notified of results by the Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department

"The numbers of tests administered per day across the region continue to climb due to the concerted efforts of health departments, hospitals, and providers to continually build testing capacity," stated Lisa Peacock, Health Officer. "We are happy to be able to provide another testing opportunity to those in Leelanau and Benzie Counties. It is critically important to maintain testing capacity so that we can continue to meet the demands for testing as school begins but also as an important indicator of our ability to contain transmission."

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