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PRESS RELEASE

UBH Partners with testutah.com to Offer Free COVID-19 Testing to Expand Local Capacity

April 17, 2020: Uintah Basin Healthcare has joined Tri-County Health Department (TCHD) in their effort to partner with testutah.com to offer free COVID-19 testing to expand local capacity. We invite you participate in the #TestUtahChallenge to crush the curve.

The Vernal drive-thru testing site is located at TriCounty Health Department (TCHD) located at 133 S 500 E in Vernal, Utah which opened Thursday & Friday, April 16-17, 2020 with plans to continue April 20-24 from 9 AM – 5 PM. To view continued testing dates/times, visit www.tricountyhealth.com.

A second drive-thru testing site is located at Uintah Basin Medical Center at 250 W 300 N in Roosevelt, Utah. Testing began for healthcare workers Friday, April 17, 2020 as we worked through the process. We invite the public to schedule testing appointments beginning Monday, April 20 at 9 AM. Testing is located in the tent triage area west of the ER entrance and will be available 24/7 at the Roosevelt location until further notice. (Note that lane 1 (west) in the tent will be dedicated to COVID-19 testing, while lane 2 (east) will continue to serve as a triage/screening lane for entrance to the campus.)

Any interested individuals, regardless of symptoms, will likely qualify for FREE COVID-19 testing (while supplies last, with tests expected to be refreshed daily) by completing an online questionnaire at <u>testutah.com</u>. Individuals will be issued a unique QR code which they will be asked to bring to the drive-thru testing site at the pre-appointed time. This QR code and one form of identification is required to receive testing. Patient pre-registration will help to prevent unnecessary exposure, speed up the testing process and ensure your test is matched to your result process.

When you arrive, please keep your window up and have your QR code and ID ready. When instructed, roll your window down and ensure your vehicle has come to a complete stop and is not in gear. Testing will be performed in-vehicle, and the testing process takes approximately 5 minutes. Samples will then be sent off for laboratory testing. Results will be sent to the individual being tested via email or text within 48-72 hours.

Test kits are being supplied by testutah.com. In Utah, we take care of each other, and COVID-19 can show us the power we have when we work together. The sooner we can identify COVID-19 cases, the sooner we can get back to our normal way of life. In addition to social distancing, testing gives us crucial data to track the spread of the virus and contain it. Register today at testutah.com to get your QR code and get tested.

Stay calm, stay safe, and adhere to suggested precautions. We're all in this together. To stay informed during COVID-19, visit our website at www.ubh.org/covid-19-information.

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