



Renfrew County and District Health Unit  
"Optimal Health for All in Renfrew County and District"

## For Immediate Release

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### **Residents encouraged to get tested for COVID-19**

As the province mandates increased testing, Dr. Robert Cushman, Acting Medical Officer of Health, Renfrew County and District Health Unit (RCDHU), encourages residents to get tested for COVID-19. Dr. Cushman notes that "testing is available and any resident who is symptomatic or concerned that they may have been exposed to COVID-19, can be tested through the County of Renfrew Paramedic pre-scheduled testing site locations throughout Renfrew County and District in the coming weeks.

In response to Phase One of the provincial government's reopening framework, which eases mobility restrictions and other public health measures in our communities, testing is available for the following populations:

- Symptomatic testing:
  - All people with at least one symptom of COVID-19, even for mild [symptoms](#).
- Asymptomatic, risk-based testing:
  - People who are concerned that they have been exposed to COVID-19. This includes people who are contacts of or may have been exposed to a confirmed or suspected case.
  - People who are at risk of exposure to COVID-19 through their employment, including essential workers (e.g., health care workers, grocery store employees, food processing plants).

Residents of Renfrew County and District who would like to be tested are asked to contact RCDHU at 613-732-3629 or Renfrew County Virtual Triage Assessment Centre (RCVTAC) at 1-844-727-6404 to pre-register. They will then be contacted with the date and time for the next clinic depending on their area of the county.

For more information visit the RCVTAC website at <https://rcvtac.ca/>, the County of Renfrew Paramedic Services website at <https://www.renfrewparamedics.ca/>, or RCDHU's website at <https://www.rcdhu.com/novel-coronavirus-covid-19-2/>.

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