

COMMUNITY NOTICE

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## COMMUNITY HEALTH PROGRAM TEMPORARILY UNABLE TO PROVIDE COVID-19 TESTING FOR TRAVEL PURPOSES

The Mohawk Council of Akwesasne's Community Health Program (CHP) is notifying the community that the program is temporarily unable to conduct COVID-19 testing for leisure travel or border-crossing purposes. As of November 15, 2021, the COVID-19 Community Health Assessment Center will suspend testing for the purpose of pre-travel clearance.

The Community Health COVID-19 Assessment and Testing site is limited to those who require testing for the following reasons:

- Individuals with symptoms of COVID-19 that are new, worsening, or different from an individual's baseline health status.
- High risk/close contact exposures of a confirmed case who are symptomatic, as directed by a Community Health Nurse.
- Individuals who have been notified of inclusion in an outbreak situation, and are following directions given by a local public health authority/Community Health Program.

The CHP has prioritized the groups identified above as resources (human and time) to provide these services is very limited and there is a current high demand for testing. The Ministry of Health testing guidance documents excludes testing of asymptomatic (no symptoms) people for travel purposes. Anyone requesting a test for travel requirements is not eligible for testing through the Community Health Program Assessment Center. This is only a temporary measure to shift resources and meet the current demand for symptomatic testing for individuals. Please see your healthcare provider or one of the clinics identified below if you require testing for travel purposes:

| Walgreens (PCR Test):<br>https://www.walgreens.com/<br>findcare/covid19/testing<br>W Main Street<br>Malone, NY 12953                | Walgreens (PCR Test):<br>https://www.walgreens.com/<br>findcare/covid19/testing<br>173 Market Street<br>Potsdam, NY 13676 | <b>Mountain Medical Urgent Care</b> :<br>(315) 705-0700<br>2 Hospital Drive<br>Massena, NY 13662   |
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| <b>Massena Hospital</b> :<br>(315) 764-1171<br>1 Hospital Drive<br>Massena, NY 13662  | Mountain Medical:<br>(518) 483-3000<br>3372 US 11 Suite H<br>Malone, NY 12953   | Appletree Medical Group:<br>https://appletreemedicalgroup.com/<br>medical-services/programs-clinics/<br>pre-travel-covid-19-testing/<br>Ottawa, ON Locations – varying hours |
| Life Labs Pre-departure Testing:<br>https://www.lifelabs.com/flyclear/<br>predeparture/?myProvince=on<br>Ottawa, ON or Kingston, ON | PCR Travel Test Ontario:<br>https://www.pcrtraveltestontario.com/<br>site/home#eligibility<br>Ottawa, ON                  | Shoppers Drug Mart:<br>https://covid19.shoppersdrugmart.ca/<br>en/testing/international-outbound/on<br>Ottawa, ON or Kingston, ON  |

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