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Covid-19 Testing Options

[Akron, OH] –As the number of Covid-19 cases in Summit County continue to rise, strategies such as testing is an important tool for mitigating the spread. Summit County Public Health would like to remind residents of ongoing non-hospital based options for Covid-19 testing. These options are convenient and often available on a walk-in or same-day basis.

Antigen and PCR tests are available at all major pharmacy chains such as CVS, Walgreens and Rite Aid. Please check with your local pharmacy regarding availability of testing appointments.

Antigen home tests continue to be available free of charge to residents at the following locations:

- **Summit County Public Health-** Call 330-923-4891 to check availability
- **Akron-Summit County Public Library Braches-** Call your local branch for availability
- **K-12 Schools-** Students exposed in the school setting can have a test coordinated through the school

These initiatives will continue as long an adequate supply of testing supplies is available.

SCPH encourages those residents who are both vaccinated and unvaccinated to continue to engage in safe and effective behaviors to reduce the spread of COVID-19:

- Stay home if you're sick, even with mild symptoms
- Be mindful in your interactions with others. Limit your chances of exposure by maintaining social distancing of at least six feet from non-household members
- Wear a mask in public
- Consider necessary travel only
- Follow good hygiene standards:
- Wash hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds
- Use hand sanitizer frequently
- Avoid touching your face
- Cover coughs and sneezes

If you have questions, call the COVID-19 Call Line (330) 926-5795. The call line is open from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. M-F.

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