

## To Protect, Promote and Prioritize the Health of Our Entire Community

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## **Testing to Resume After Holiday Weekend**

The Douglas County Health Department (DCHD) will resume drive-thru clinics in South Omaha on Tuesday with plans to continue testing through Saturday. Clinic hours are noon-5 p.m. in the parking lot across from OneWorld Community Health Center at 4920 South 30<sup>th</sup> Street.

Anyone looking to be tested at the DCHD clinic is asked to sign up in advance. To do that, simply go to https://is.gd/covidtestesp or https://is.gd/covidtest. Anyone arriving early is asked to park at the Metropolitan Community College Campus.

DCHD also encourages everyone to go to TestNebraska and register for testing. That can be done online at www.testnebraska.com . The service is available in English and Spanish.

On Tuesday, May 26, the Health Department confirmed that total cases of COVID-19 in the county have increased to 3,355 from Saturday's total of 3,064. That's an increase of 291 cases since Saturday's report. The positivity test rate for the past week was 11.8 percent.

As of Monday night, local hospitals in the metro area reported 431 medical and surgical beds were available for a 67 percent capacity rate and 141 patients were hospitalized with COVID-19. An additional 42 people were hospitalized as COVID-19 persons of interest. Intensive Care Unit capacity at 75 percent.

Of the 382 ventilators available to area hospitals, 144 were in use, including 46 for confirmed COVID-19 patients. DCHD has confirmed 604 county residents have recovered from the illness.

COVID-19 symptoms may include, but are not limited to, a fever, cough, sore throat, severe fatigue, or difficulty breathing. In most cases, a person will have more than one symptom. If you have COVID-19 symptoms, please contact your health care provider before you go to their office and tell them how you are feeling, and discuss any possible exposure history.

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