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Saliva-based COVID-19 Testing Scheduled in Tusayan, AZ

FLAGSTAFF, Ariz. – Coconino County Health and Human Services (CCHHS), in collaboration with Arizona State University, North County HealthCare and Tusayan Fire Department, will offer saliva-based COVID-19 Testing in Tusayan, AZ on Thursday, September 10 from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. The testing site will be located at the Grand Canyon IMAX Theater, 450 Hwy 64, Tusayan, AZ.

Individuals seeking COVID-19 saliva testing are asked to register in advance to expedite the testing process. Information and a link to testing registration is available at www.coconino.az.gov/covid19. Those seeking testing will be asked to create an account and enter the agency code SALIVATEST. Although advanced registration is highly encouraged, anyone unable to complete the advanced registration online will be able to register at the testing site.

Children under 5 years old cannot receive saliva tests. Nasopharyngeal testing will be available for individuals under the required age and those who prefer the swab test. Those seeking COVID-19 saliva testing are asked to abstain from food or drink for 30 minutes prior to the test.

Test results will be available within 48 - 72 hours from the time specimens arrive at the lab. Those tested will be notified by email that their results are ready to be retrieved through an online portal.

Individuals exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms (fever, cough, difficulty breathing, chills, repeated shaking with chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat and new loss of taste or smell) and those who feel they have been exposed to COVID-19 are encouraged to be tested. Waiting 5 to 8 days following exposure is recommended in order to obtain the most accurate results.

Inclement weather may require short pauses in testing site operations to ensure the safety of staff and individuals seeking testing. Notifications of operation pauses will be posted on the Coconino County Facebook page and at the testing sites.

Testing is free of charge and is provided on a first come first served basis. Everyone at the testing site is required to wear a mask or face covering.

For more information and resources on COVID-19 please visit www.coconino.az.gov/covid19 or call the County COVID-19 Information Line at 928.679.7300

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