## Walk-Up Testing Available in Cedar Creek, Texas this Friday and Saturday

August 26, 2020

Bastrop County, in cooperation with the Texas Department of Emergency Management (TDEM), is pleased to host a walk-up COVID-19 testing in Cedar Creek, Texas on Friday, August 28 and Saturday, August 29. Those wishing to be tested do not need to have symptoms or an appointment to attend. In addition, anyone may attend, not just those with a Bastrop County address. Individuals will be given a choice of two less invasive testing methods; a low nasal or mouth swab.

Testing will be conducted at Cedar Creek United Methodist Church, 5630 FM 535, from 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM on Friday and 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM on Saturday. Those who receive a test will need to provide contact information in order to receive their results, which are expected within 24-48 hours. This testing site will have the ability to do 300 tests per day.

"We are very excited to offer weekend testing hours for this location. We are striving to offer services in more remote locations of the county as this pandemic continues." Said Christine Files, Office of Emergency Management Deputy Director. "While Bastrop County is in the third week of less than 100 positives tests being reported, we need to remember to continue to practice physical distancing and mask wearing to not allow the virus to resurge in our community."

Being tested, even if you do not actively feel sick, helps emergency and medical officials accurately detect the positivity rate within the county.

"We need to continue testing through the county to analyze the residual viral burden that may still exist." Said Dr. Walkes, Bastrop County Local Health Authority.

Testing will continued to be offered to Bastrop County residents at the Bastrop and Elgin Community Testing Sites. Appointments for these locations can be made at bastropcountycovid19.org or by calling 512-972-5560.

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