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COVID-19 TESTING OPTIONS INCREASE IN BREVARD COUNTY

BREVARD COUNTY, FL. -- Following new guidelines from the Florida Department of Health, the options for receiving a COVID-19 test in Brevard County have increased.

While hospitalized patients and healthcare facility workers with symptoms rank as the highest priority for testing, COVID-19 tests are now increasingly available for those with symptoms who did not meet previous Centers for Disease Control and Prevention criteria.

The Florida Department of Health in Brevard County is providing appointment-only drive-through COVID-19 tests to symptomatic individuals meeting the following criteria:

- Those age 65 and older
- Those with underlying health conditions
- First responders
- Anyone who does not meet the above criteria, but has symptoms and a prescription from a medical doctor

Symptoms of COVID-19 include fever of 100.4 or higher, cough, and shortness of breath. Those experiencing emergency warning signs such as difficulty breathing, persistent pain or pressure in the chest, new confusion or inability to arouse, or bluish lips or face, should immediately seek medical attention.

Appointments must be scheduled ahead of time by calling 321-454-7141 for screening and registration.

In addition, several urgent care clinics and some private medical facilities are also providing COVID-19 tests. Anyone who believes they may have COVID-19 should call their health care provider before going to the facility.