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CITY REACHES MILESTONE OF TESTING 20,000 NEW YORKERS PER DAY AND TRIPLES NUMBER OF AVAILABLE TESTING SITES WITH CITYMD

All CityMD sites citywide to offer COVID-19 testing

NEW YORK—Mayor de Blasio announced today that the City will partner with CityMD to offer walk-in diagnostic COVID-19 testing to New Yorkers, effectively tripling the number of available testing sites citywide. The City has now reached its goal to test 20,000 New Yorkers per day one week ahead of schedule, building on the commitment to test and trace every positive case of COVID-19.

"Widespread testing remains our best defense against the virus," said **Mayor Bill de Blasio**. "We are building a massive apparatus to test and trace every case of COVID-19 – bringing us one step closer to safely reopening our city."

"CityMD's teams have been on the front lines of the fight against COVID-19 since the beginning and we are proud to partner with the City of New York on this important testing program," said **Dr. Jeff Le Benger, CEO of Summit CityMD**.

<u>CityMD</u>

Diagnostic PCR tests will be offered in conjunction with a doctor visit at CityMD locations citywide. Regardless of insurance coverage, there is no out of pocket cost to patients for the test, and the costs of any uninsured New Yorker will be covered free of charge. Tests are offered 7 days per week with no appointment necessary. Click here to find your closest location.

With expanded testing criteria now in effect, any person with COVID-19 symptoms is now eligible to receive a test citywide. Those who have been exposed to a positive case or work in a congregate residential setting are also eligible for testing regardless of symptoms.

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