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# FREDERICK COUNTY, MARYLAND JOINT INFORMATION CENTER COVID-19



## News Release

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

### Frederick County Agency Updates for August 11, 2020

Frederick, MD – August 11, 2020

#### Frederick County Health Department:



Please check our dashboard for daily statistics: <http://FrederickCountyMD.gov/COVIDstats>.

#### *Frequently Asked Question*

Q: Where can I go to get tested for COVID-19?

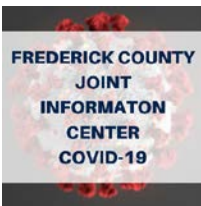
A: There are several options to get tested in Frederick County. First, talk with your healthcare provider about getting tested. You can find testing locations throughout Maryland on the [Maryland COVID-19 Testing website](#).

In Frederick County, testing is available at:

- Frederick Health Hospital and drive-thru
  - Daily 7am to 2pm, no appointment needed
- CVS Pharmacy (5 locations)
  - By appointment, register at [cvs.com/minuteclinic/covid-19-testing](https://www.cvs.com/minuteclinic/covid-19-testing)

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- Walmart on Guilford Drive
  - By appointment, register at [https://doineedacovid19test.com/Frederick\\_MD\\_342.html](https://doineedacovid19test.com/Frederick_MD_342.html)
- Frederick County Health Department Testing Sites
  - View calendar [here](#) for dates, times, and locations.
  - These clinics are held throughout the county to meet the needs of the communities around each location. The goal is to reach people who face challenges such as lacking health insurance, a primary care provider, or reliable transportation.

*Upcoming Health Department Testing Clinics*

Health Department clinics can be found on our [website calendar](#) and on our [Facebook](#) events.

COVID-19 Community Testing Clinic Calendar

**August 2020**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31	1	2	3	4	5

Tue Aug. 11  
[Hillcrest Golden Mile/Route 40 Community Testing Clinic](#)

Tue Aug. 11  
[Emmitsburg Community Testing Clinic](#)

Wed Aug. 12  
[Hillcrest Golden Mile/Route 40 Community Testing Clinic](#)

Thu Aug. 13  
[Hillcrest Golden Mile/Route 40 Community Testing Clinic](#)

Thu Aug. 13  
[Rescue Mission Community Testing Clinic](#)

Plan ahead (these clinics happen every other week):

- Next clinic in Thurmont will be August 21 at the Municipal Building parking lot, 615 E. Main Street, 5pm-7pm.
- Next clinic in Emmitsburg will be August 25 at the Seton Center, 226 Lincoln Ave, 12pm-2pm.

Face coverings and physical distancing are required, but no documentation, insurance, or doctor’s order is needed. Testing is FREE and you don’t have to be sick to be tested. These clinics use diagnostic (not antibody) tests. Registration is not required so that the walk-up clinics remain as accessible as possible. Spanish interpreters are on-site. Frederick Health Hospital curbside testing also does not have registration requirements, but a vehicle is required.

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### **City of Frederick:**

#### *Utility Assistance Program Now Accepting Applications*

Beginning August 3, 2020, The Frederick Community Action Agency's Office of Home Energy Programs (OHEP) began administering Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) CARES funding to assist Frederick City residents with utility emergencies due to COVID-19. The City of Frederick reallocated these funds in late July for use in response to the current pandemic. For more details, go to <https://cityoffrederickmd.gov/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=6291>.

### **JIC:**

#### *Update on Wastewater Testing for COVID-19*

Frederick County Government is taking an innovative approach to help public health officials assess the severity of the community's COVID-19 outbreak. Any infected person, whether or not they are experiencing symptoms, sheds the virus. So Frederick County is testing untreated wastewater at its largest plant to gain insights on how widespread the virus is.



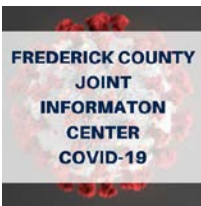
This short video provides some background on this new process.

### **Maryland Insurance Administration:**

The Maryland Health Benefit Exchange has reopened the coronavirus emergency special enrollment period until December 15. Maryland Health Connection plans cover testing, visits relating to testing, and treatment of COVID-19. Consumers will not be billed for a copay, coinsurance, or deductible for services to test, diagnose, and treat COVID-19. Marylanders do not need to be sick to enroll in coverage. This special enrollment is for private health plans only. Those who qualify for Medicaid may enroll any time of year.

To enroll, visit [MarylandHealthConnection.gov](http://MarylandHealthConnection.gov) or download the free "Enroll MHC" mobile app. For free consumer assistance, call 855-642-8572 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on weekdays. Help is available in more than 200 languages through the call center, as well as Relay service for the Deaf and hard of hearing. Trained navigators and brokers statewide offer free help enrolling by phone.

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**For more information:**

Frederick County residents can call 866-411-6803 to reach our local 211 center with general questions about coronavirus or COVID19.

Accurate COVID-19 information is critical to the community. For the most current and accurate information about this situation, please refer to the following:

- City of Frederick: <https://cityoffrederickmd.gov/covid19>
- Frederick County Government: [www.frederickcountymd.gov/Coronavirus](http://www.frederickcountymd.gov/Coronavirus)
- Frederick County Health Department: [health.frederickcountymd.gov/coronavirus](http://health.frederickcountymd.gov/coronavirus)
- Maryland Department of Health (MDH): [coronavirus.maryland.gov](http://coronavirus.maryland.gov)
- Centers for Disease Control (CDC): [coronavirus.gov](http://coronavirus.gov)

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