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Remember Your Testing Options

COVID-19 testing opportunities continue to expand locally. The Douglas County Health Department (DCHD) wants to point out a few of them, including a new one.

The Omaha Housing Authority, Charles Drew Health Center, and the New Era Baptist State Convention of Nebraska have arranged with Test Nebraska to hold a free COVID-19 testing event on Friday and Saturday at the Eagle's Nest Worship Center, 5775 Sorensen Parkway. Onsite registration is available or people can register in advance online at www.testnebraska.com.

Three additional Test Nebraska locations are open today (Wednesday) through Saturday. The site at Crossroads Mall is open 8 a.m. until 4 p.m., the site at Oakview Mall is open from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m., and the site at the Metropolitan Community College is open from 1-6 p.m. Online registration is required for those locations.

On Wednesday, September 2, the Health Department reported 75 new cases of COVID-19, as received by midnight the previous day. This makes 13,603 cases in Douglas County since the outbreak began in March.

The Health Department received two new death certificates during the past day related to this pandemic. A man in his 50s and a woman over 75 have passed. The total number of COVID-19-related deaths in the county is now 164. The county has confirmed 9,542 county residents have recovered from the illness.

As of this morning, metro area hospitals had 257 medical and surgical beds available for an 81 percent occupancy rate. There were 70 inpatients diagnosed with COVID-19 and 23 additional persons of interest (generally waiting for test results). Thirteen individuals who were confirmed or suspected of having COVID-19 were on ventilators.

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