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### Trent Hills COVID-19 Assessment Centre Service Changes

**TRENT HILLS, July 8, 2020** — Effective July 8, 2020 the Trent Hills COVID 19 Assessment Centre will be open Monday to Thursday from 9 am to 5 pm.

**Anyone who wants a COVID-19 test at the Trent Hills COVID-19 Assessment Centre should call the Centre directly at 705-395-1801 to book an appointment.** It is strongly recommended that you call to schedule your test in order to minimize wait times and support physical distancing requirements.

We ask all visitors to the Assessment Centre to wear a mask, come to the Centre alone if possible, and stay in your car until staff come to collect you for your appointment. Bring your health card, other identification with your name and address, and a pen to complete and sign the registration form.

The Trent Hills COVID 19 Assessment Centre will be closed Friday, Saturdays and Sundays. Extra appointment times have been added Monday through Thursday so that there is no decrease in testing capacity.

The Trent Hills COVID19 Assessment Centre opened on March 31, 2020 after a global pandemic was declared. Since opening, the Centre has performed over 1,650 tests and sees an average of 30 people per day.

Patients who have symptoms of COVID 19 when the Trent Hills COVID-19 Assessment Centre is closed may wish to complete an online COVID-19 self-assessment at <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/self-assessment/>. To locate other COVID 19 Assessment Centres in Ontario please visit <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/covid-19-assessment-centres>.

Anyone with severe symptoms of COVID-19 or other non-COVID illness are asked to call 911 and alert the dispatcher to the potential concern regarding COVID-19 so first responders can be appropriately prepared.

**Typical symptoms of COVID-19 include:** fever/chills, new or worsening cough, shortness of breath/difficulty breathing, sore throat, difficulty swallowing, loss of taste or smell, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal pain, and runny nose/nasal congestion (not explained by other reasons e.g. seasonal allergies).

**Atypical symptoms of COVID-19 include:** unexplained fatigue, new confusion, unexplained or increased number of falls, new functional decline, worsening of chronic conditions, chills, headaches, croup, pink eye, and multisystem inflammatory vasculitis and rashes (children). Some people experience a decrease in blood pressure, rapid heartbeat, and some infants may have difficulty feeding.

**People with no symptoms but a higher risk of COVID-19 include:** health care workers, first responders, essential service/retail/grocery store workers, food processing plant workers, caregivers/community workers/day care workers, corrections workers, travelers and/or cross-border workers (e.g. truck drivers). People who live with high-risk workers are also considered to be at risk. People who live in group living situations such as senior's residences, group homes, shelters or other institutions are at risk.

**Anyone who has travelled to locations where there are COVID-19 cases** may have been exposed to the virus. This includes locations within Ontario (e.g. Toronto & GTA) and other provinces (e.g. Quebec). Community transmission of COVID-19 is now documented in Ontario.

**All COVID-19 test results** are communicated by Assessment Centres to the patient directly. Patients can also view their results online at <https://covid19results.ehealthontario.ca:4443/agree>

As of July 7, 2020, there have been 36,060 cases of COVID-19 reported in the province of Ontario. 31,603 cases have resolved. 5,516 cases are reported in long-term care residents. 2,327 cases are reported in health care workers associated with long-term care outbreaks. There have been 2,691 COVID-19 deaths in Ontario. 7 of those deaths were health care workers working in long-term care homes. Northumberland County has reported 21 cases of COVID-19. All 21 cases are reported as resolved and there are no reported deaths.

The Trent Hills COVID-19 Assessment Centre works with regional partners and government agencies to provide residents with access to local assessment and testing. The Assessment Centre is operated by the Trent Hills Family Health Team and Northumberland Paramedics in collaboration with the Northumberland Ontario Health Team network, Campbellford Memorial Hospital, the Campbellford Virtual Care Clinic, the Trent Hills Virtual Care Clinic, and MPP Northumberland-Peterborough South David Piccini.

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