

NEWS RELEASE – FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Trent Hills COVID 19 Assessment Centre is moving to a new location

TRENT HILLS, August 28, 2020 — The Trent Hills COVID-19 Assessment Centre is moving to a new location on Monday, August 31, 2020.

As of September 1, 2020, **the Trent Hills COVID-19 Assessment Centre will be located at Campbellford Memorial Hospital on the basement level in the former paramedic bay and offices.**

Access to the Assessment Centre is via the Isabella Street parking lot and will now be a drive-through, drive-up centre. All visitors to the Assessment Centre are to drive up and remain in their cars. Assessment Centre staff will provide assessment and testing with all patients remaining in their vehicles.

The Trent Hills COVID 19 Assessment Centre is open **Monday to Thursday from 9 am to 5 pm. Call 705-395-1801 to book an appointment for testing.** Please do not call Campbellford Memorial Hospital. Please do not go to the Assessment Centre without calling to book an appointment.

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 assess you. Bring your health card, other identification with your name and address, and a pen to complete and sign the registration form.

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/> or locate another COVID 19 Assessment Centre at <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/covid-19-assessment-centres>. Please note that the Trent Hills COVID-19 Assessment Centre will be closed on Monday, August 31st, 2020 for moving day.

Anyone with *severe* symptoms of COVID-19 or other non-COVID *severe or life-threatening* illness are asked to call 911. Please alert the dispatcher if there is 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. Seniors and people with chronic conditions, such as diabetes, are more likely to experience atypical symptoms.

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. Please be aware that a COVID-19 outbreak was declared in Campbellford, Ontario on August 26, 2020.

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 August 26, 2020, there have been 41,935 cases of COVID-19 reported in the province of Ontario. 38,023 cases have resolved. 5,932 cases are reported in long-term care residents. 2,639 cases are reported in health care workers associated with long-term care outbreaks. There have been 2,809 COVID-19 deaths in Ontario. 8 of those deaths were health care workers working in long-term care homes. Northumberland County has reported 32 cases of COVID-19. 31 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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