

MEDIA ALERT



**Kroger Health to Offer Drive-Thru and Walk-Up Testing Site in Avondale**

*Testing for eligible patients will be held Wednesday, May 27 through Friday, May 29*

**CINCINNATI** (May 25, 2020) – Kroger Health will offer its first drive-thru and walk-up testing site in Greater Cincinnati this week. The site is made possible in cooperation with the City of Cincinnati, the Cincinnati Recreation Commission (CRC), the Center for Closing the Health Gap, Councilmember Jan-Michele Kearney, Councilmember P.G. Sittenfeld, Councilmember Wendell Young, the Urban League of Greater Cincinnati, the African American Chamber of Commerce, the Cincinnati NAACP and the founding partners of COVID19communityresources.com.

**WHAT:** Kroger Health drive-thru and walk-up testing site

**WHEN:** Wednesday, May 27 through Friday, May 29  
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**WHERE:** Hirsch Recreation Center  
3630 Reading Road  
Cincinnati, OH 45229

Community members can register at: <http://krogerhealth.com/covidtesting>.

People needing a test will use a virtual screening tool based on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines to see if they are eligible. Those who are eligible for the testing are based on CDC, state and local government recommendations.

Those eligible will then select the appropriate testing location and appointment time and receive an email confirmation with pre-appointment paperwork. When the patient arrives for a test, they should have a photo ID ready and leave their windows rolled up for check-in. A health care practitioner will approach the car and alert the patient when to roll down their window.

The drive-thru testing location has a self-administered nasal swab that must be ordered and observed by a provider. Kroger determined this testing methodology because it increases the number of tests that can be provided while conserving the personal protective equipment utilized.

This onsite testing is supported with laboratory services provided by eTrueNorth, a contractor of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

Test results are expected within approximately 48 hours. Kroger Health is expected to administer 250 tests per day.

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