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Results of National Guard Testing in Florence

Florence, WI- On Monday, July 27, the National Guard assisted the Florence County Health Department in providing the community COVID-19 testing in Florence.

The Wisconsin State Emergency Operation Center and National Guard were instrumental in both making this testing available and administering the tests. The health department extends their gratitude to the National Guard and other community partners who assisted in planning, implementing and promoting the testing site.

Over the course of the testing day, ninety-three people were tested, with seventy-six of them being from Florence County. The results identified one new positive case being in Florence County. Seventeen individuals were tested from other jurisdictions including: Ozaukee County, Forest County, Marinette County and Brown County. All individuals are notified by the National Guard or the health department in their jurisdiction of their results. As of Thursday, July 31, a total of six-hundred and eighty-four Florence County residents have now been tested for COVID-19.

The public should continue to follow these preventive steps to protect our communities from the spread of this virus, including:

- If experiencing mild flu like symptoms, contact your healthcare provider for testing
- Avoiding large social gatherings
- Practicing physical distancing when out in the community by staying 6 feet away from others;
- Follow the Governor's order in wearing cloth face coverings;
- Taking special precautions to protect high-risk individuals;
- Frequent and thorough hand washing with soap and water;
- Covering coughs and sneezes (into the sleeve, elbow, or tissue, and not hands);
- Regularly cleaning high-touch surfaces;
- Not shaking hands;
- Avoiding touching your face;
- Staying at home as much as possible.

There are alternative testing sites in the state of Wisconsin throughout the beginning of August. Any WI resident is welcome to attend any one of the testing events. For further information, visit the [CDC's website](#), the [DHS website](#), or the Florence County Health Department Facebook or website at <http://www.florencecountywi.com/>.

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