

November 15, 2021

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE **Covid-19 Testing Events; Protect Your Loved Ones For The Holidays**

[Akron, OH] -As the number of Covid-19 cases in Summit County continue to rise, strategies such as testing is an important tool for mitigating the spread. In order to protect our most vulnerable residents during the holiday season Summit County Public Health will be offering two **drive thru** testing events on November 23, 2021 from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm and November 30, 2021 from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm at 1867 W. Market St., Akron Ohio 44313. During the testing events we will be offering take home rapid antigen test kits and appointment based onsite rapid antigen testing with results in 20-30 minutes.

Holiday Drive Thru Testing Event Information:

When: November 23rd, & 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021

**Time:** 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Where: 1867 W. Market St. Akron, Ohio 44313

What will be offered: Take home rapid antigen tests (limit 4 per person) or Onsite rapid antigen

testing by appointment only with results on-site in 20-30 minutes

Appointment Link: <a href="https://scph.link/rapidtest/">https://scph.link/rapidtest/</a> The appointment link can also be found on

at https://www.scph.org/covid

SCPH will continue to offer free rapid antigen COVID-19 home test at our offices on 1867 W. Market St. while supplies last. Staring November 15, 2021 we will be allowing up to 4 test kits per person.

Antigen home tests continue to be available free of charge to residents at the following locations:

- Summit County Public Health- Call 330-923-4891 to check availability
- Akron-Summit County Public Library Braches- Call your local branch for availability
- K-12 Schools- Students exposed in the school setting can have a test coordinated through the school

These initiatives will continue as long an adequate supply of testing supplies is available.

SCPH encourages those residents who are both vaccinated and unvaccinated to continue to engage in safe and effective behaviors to reduce the spread of COVID-19:

- Stay home if you're sick, even with mild symptoms
- Be mindful in your interactions with others. Limit your chances of exposure by maintaining social distancing of at least six feet from non-household members



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- Wear a mask in public
- Consider necessary travel only
- Follow good hygiene standards:
- Wash hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds
- Use hand sanitizer frequently
- Avoid touching your face
- Cover coughs and sneezes

If you have questions, call the COVID-19 Call Line (330) 926-5795. The call line is open from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. M-F.

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