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MONROE COUNTY EXECUTIVE ADAM BELLO ANNOUNCES NEXT PHASE OF COVID-19 TESTING AND TEST KIT DISTRIBUTION

Additional at-home test kits soon available at participating Monroe County Libraries

ROCHESTER, NY — Monroe County Executive Adam Bello today announced that several county-run COVID-19 testing sites will cease operation effective March 1 and home rapid test kits will be available to the public for free at participating Monroe County Libraries starting February 28.

"With our COVID case numbers steadily declining over the past month and free vaccines and boosters more widely available, it's clear we are in a new stage of this pandemic," **said Monroe County Executive Adam Bello**. "Our focus now is on making home testing more accessible by partnering with the library system."

Monroe County Public Libraries Director Patty Uttaro said:

"The public libraries in Monroe County are happy to support County Executive Bello, municipalities and our community members by distributing these important COVID rapid test kits to county residents. With more than 3 million visits a year, Monroe County libraries are natural partners for community distributions."

While most libraries are participating in the test kit distribution, libraries in the following communities will not participate in the rapid test distribution: Greece, Parma, Chili, East Rochester, Webster, Hamlin and Scottsville. At participating libraries, test kits are available during normal library operating hours. For a full list of library locations and hours, visit https://libraryweb.org/hours/locations-hours/.

County-run antigen testing sites will now be limited to the times and location below:

- 804 North Goodman Street
 - o Monday, Wednesday, Friday 4 p.m.-7 p.m.

Monroe County will still provide several vaccination sites. As of Monday, February 28, the following sites and hours of operation are accessible and free to public.

- Pittsford Plaza 3349 Monroe Avenue, Rochester, NY
 - Weekdays 2 p.m .- 7 p.m. Saturdays 9 a.m. 1 p.m.
- Greece Ridge Mall 112 Greece Ridge Center Drive, Rochester, NY

- Weekdays 2 p.m. 7 p.m. Saturdays 9 a.m. 1 pm.
- MCC Downtown Campus 321 State Street & Morrie Silver Way, Rochester, NY
 - Tuesday and Thursdays 11 a.m. 4 p.m.
- 804 North Goodman Street
 - o Saturdays 9 a.m. 1 p.m.
- Monroe County Fleet Center 145 Paul Road, Rochester, NY
 - Wednesday Friday 1 p.m. 3:45 p.m.
- Edgerton R Center 41 Backus Street, Rochester, NY
 - Sundays 1 p.m. 4 p.m.

Mobile vaccination sites at area libraries and schools remain available.

For a full calendar and to make your vaccine appointment, visit <u>monroecounty.gov/health-covid19-vaccine</u>.

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