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Easy Access to COVID-19 Testing and Treatment in San Joaquin County

The holidays will soon be over and for many of us it will be back to work and school. But before you get back to the grindstone, San Joaquin County Public Health Services (SJCPHS) is encouraging everyone who lives, works, and plays in its county to test for COVID-19, whether experiencing symptoms or not.

Test to Treat sites provide easy access for people to get tested for COVID-19, consult with a health care provider, and, if deemed appropriate, receive the prescription-only antiviral pills in one visit. “We are happy to offer the convenience of getting tested and treated in one location and we’re thankful that members of our community will benefit from medication that can decrease their risk of hospitalization or death,” said Dr. Maggie Park, San Joaquin County Public Health Officer.

The services, provided by SJCPHS sponsored sites are free to all regardless of insurance status, walk-ins are welcomed, and can be found at the following locations and hours:

1. **San Joaquin General Hospital** – 500 West Hospital Road, Stockton, CA 95231.
Open Friday through Tuesday, from 8:00 am. to 4:00 pm.
(Closed Sunday, January 1 and Monday, January 2)
2. **Lodi Community Services Center** – 415 South Sacramento Street, Lodi, CA 95240.
Open Wednesday and Thursday, from 9:00 am. to 5:00 pm.
3. **Lathrop Business Park** – 16988 South Harlan Road, Lathrop, CA 95330.
Open Monday through Friday, from 9:00 am. to 4:00 pm.
(Closed Monday, January 2)
4. **Kennedy Community Center** – 2800 South D Street, Stockton, CA 95206.
Open Thursday through Sunday, from 9:00 am. to 4:30 pm.
(Closed Saturday, December 31 and Sunday, January 1)
5. **San Joaquin Delta College** – 5151 Pacific Avenue, Stockton, CA 95207.
Open Monday through Friday from 9:00 am. to 4:00 pm.
6. **Larch Clover Community Center** – 11157 West Larch Road, Tracy, CA 95304.
Open Thursday through Sunday, from 9:00 am. to 4:30 pm.
(Closed Saturday, December 31 and Sunday, January 1)

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Antiviral COVID-19 treatments, such as the commonly prescribed Paxlovid, have been effective in lessening COVID-19 related symptoms and reducing the likelihood of being hospitalized or dying from COVID-19. With the establishment of Test to Treat services in San Joaquin County, SJCPHS is echoing California Department of Public Health(CDPH) Director and State Public Health Officer, Dr. Tomás Aragón's call "...to ensure that Californians who have symptoms of COVID-19 have access to rapid testing and immediate treatment, regardless of insurance coverage."

According to CDPH, people who are more likely to get very sick from COVID-19 include older adults (ages 50 or more, with risk increasing with age), people who are unvaccinated and people with certain medical conditions, such as chronic lung disease, heart disease, or a weakened immune system. In addition, CDPH recommends staying up to date on COVID-19 and Influenza vaccines and receiving the updated bivalent COVID-19 booster dose to stave off currently dominant subvariant's of Omicron (BA.4 and BA.5).

Find more information about COVID-19 treatments on CDPH website at:
<https://covid19.ca.gov/treatment/>.

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