



CVS Health Opens 12 New Drive-Thru Test Sites in Connecticut as Part of Nationwide COVID-19 Response

Delivering on company's commitment to establish up to 1,000 test sites by end of May

WOONSOCKET, R.I., Thursday, May 14, 2020 — Building on the company's comprehensive efforts to help slow the spread of the virus, on Friday, May 15 CVS Health (NYSE: CVS) will open 12 new COVID-19 test sites at select CVS Pharmacy Drive-thru locations across Connecticut. The opening of additional test sites across the state and the country will be announced over the next two weeks.

These new sites will utilize self-swab tests and mark the next phase of the company's nationwide COVID-19 testing strategy, [announced April 27](#) at the White House. CVS Health expects to have up to 1,000 locations across the country across the country offering this service by the end of May, with the goal of processing up to 1.5 million tests per month, subject to availability of supplies and lab capacity. The 12 test sites in Connecticut are part of the first rollout of new sites, which includes 51 locations in Arizona, Connecticut, Florida, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania.

"While the large-scale test sites we've been operating since early April have proven successful, this new approach allows us to utilize our presence in communities across the country and bring testing closer to home," said Larry J. Merlo, President and CEO, CVS Health. "Our frontline employees will continue to play a critical role in the testing process, with members of their communities directly benefitting from their dedication and selflessness."

"Increasing the amount of testing that's being done and expanding the accessibility of that testing to all communities is a critical component of our efforts to keep Connecticut safe and healthy," Governor Ned Lamont said. "I am grateful to our partners at CVS Health for their commitment to expanding testing in Connecticut. Public-private partnerships like this will only strengthen our state in the fight against COVID-19."

Self-swab tests will be available to individuals meeting Centers for Disease Control and Prevention criteria, in addition to age guidelines. Patients must [register in advance at CVS.com](#) beginning Friday, May 15 to schedule an appointment. Patients will be required to stay in their cars and be directed to the pharmacy drive-thru window where they will be provided with a test kit and given instructions; a CVS Pharmacy team member will observe the self swab process to ensure it is done properly. Tests will be sent to an independent, third-party lab for processing and the results will be available in approximately three days.

Testing will not take place inside any retail locations, and CVS Pharmacy, HealthHUB and MinuteClinic will continue to serve customers and patients.

The new testing sites in Connecticut include:

- CVS Pharmacy, 2639 Main Street, Glastonbury, CT 06033
- CVS Pharmacy, 875 Enfield Street, Enfield, CT 06082
- CVS Pharmacy, 525 Buckland Street, South Windsor, CT 06074
- CVS Pharmacy, 7 Durant Avenue, Bethel, CT 06801
- CVS Pharmacy, 905 South Main Street, Cheshire, CT 06410
- CVS Pharmacy, 1057 Boston Post Road, Guilford, CT 06437
- CVS Pharmacy, 479 Blue Hills Avenue, Hartford, CT 06112
- CVS Pharmacy, 3514 Main Street, Coventry, CT 06238
- CVS Pharmacy, 323 Cromwell Avenue, Rocky Hill, CT 06067
- CVS Pharmacy, 1 Hawley Lane, Stratford, CT 06497
- CVS Pharmacy, 54 East High Street, East Hampton, CT 06424
- CVS Pharmacy, 150 Washington Street, Hartford, CT 06106

“I appreciate CVS working with us to expand COVID testing in Connecticut, particularly our urban centers,” said Matt Ritter, Majority Leader, Connecticut House of Representatives. “Expanding our testing capacity is key to safely reopening Connecticut.”

More information on steps CVS Health has taken to address the COVID-19 pandemic, including support for health care providers and clinicians facing financial and administrative strain, is available at the company's frequently updated [COVID-19 resource center](#).

For downloadable COVID-19 testing assets, including photos, video and interviews with CVS Health executives, please visit the [Media Resource Center](#).

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