

Board of Health Press Release 4/9/2020

The Stoneham Board of Health is currently directing PPE to First Responders and Healthcare Facilities as it is received via various outlets from donation and through our shipping channels. We are doing our best to ensure that the people on the front line of the fight against this disease continue to remain stocked with the equipment they need to do their jobs safely and properly, regardless of the widespread disruption in the availability of these items. We are also directing PPE towards the most susceptible and high-risk populations in Town. The Melrose/Wakefield Regional Surge Unit is being set up over the next few days in efforts to prepare for the projected surge in case count, and we expect it to be fully operational prior to that surge. We continue to ask that all residents do their part in distancing themselves and protecting themselves when in heavily occupied spaces. The Board of Health will continue to direct the most up-to-date information to the general public as it is received via CDC and MDPH. We are continuing trace-backs and release protocols at this time. We thank you for your steadfast vigilance in this uncertain time.

Please be sure to sign up for alerts by clicking the flashing red circle at the top left of page. See below for information regarding testing on Saturday, April 11th, in North Stoneham at the AFC Urgent Care facility.

On Saturday, April 11, 2020 AFC Urgent Care in Stoneham, MA (located at 16 Main Street in Stoneham) will hold a COVID-19 drive through testing clinic from 9am to 3pm for members and residents of Stoneham and the surrounding communities who qualify for novel coronavirus testing. In order to qualify for testing, patients will need to be pre-screened by an AFC provider on Wednesday April 8th, Thursday, April 9th, Friday, or Friday April 10th via a telemedicine urgent care visit. Upon completion of the telehealth screening and determination of qualification for testing, AFC Urgent Care will send a personalized doctor's order to that specific patient in order to be tested on Saturday, April 11th.

PLEASE NOTE: If a prospective patient does not bring an AFC doctor's note to the drive-through testing clinic, that patient will not be eligible for testing.

If interested in a screening, and to be eligible for an AFC Urgent Care doctors note in order to be tested for the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) on Saturday, April 11th in Stoneham, please call us between 8am and 8pm 4/8/20 through 4/10/2020 at 781-430-8161.