

Board of Health Press Release - 4/7/2020

The Board of Health received notification of several cases in bulk on 4/7/2020 due to the past weekends testing activities. While the cases in Massachusetts continue to rise at an exponential rate during the anticipated surge period, the Board of Health continues to monitor activities and mandates coming from the Mass DPH and CDC. New statewide mandates revolve around supermarkets. The operating capacity of all supermarkets as of 4/7/2020 have been reduced to 40% of its maximum occupancy, thereby only allowing a certain number of patrons inside the building at any given time, as well as sterilizing all carts prior to use by customers. We ask that all residents continue to abide by federal social distancing guidelines and take proper precautions to protect you and your loved ones during this uncertain time. we understand that the severity of this situation and the disruption it has caused to daily life can be taxing on the mental health of our residents. Linked at left are guidance documents put forth by the MA Department of Mental Health regarding coping with stress and other valuable information.

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.