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Governor Murphy Announces Expanded Access to Testing at New Jersey's Community Based Testing Sites

TRENTON – Governor Phil Murphy today announced that New Jersey's Community Based Testing Sites located at Bergen Community College and PNC Bank Arts Center will expand access to testing for COVID-19. The two testing locations, established in partnership with the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, will be open to asymptomatic New Jersey residents. In addition to continued testing for symptomatic residents, testing will be prioritized for asymptomatic health care workers and first responders, personnel in congregate living settings, and New Jersey residents who have been in close contact with an individual who has tested positive for COVID-19. Expanded testing will begin on Sunday, May 10, at Bergen Community College at 8:00 a.m. and Monday, May 11, at PNC Bank Arts Center at 8:00 a.m. Asymptomatic New Jersey residents should attempt to seek guidance from a health care provider before accessing testing.

"Expanding access to testing is one of our key principles for getting New Jersey firmly on the road back to restart and recovery," **said Governor Murphy**. "By building out our testing capacity, we can instill confidence among our residents that we are in front of the response and winning the fight against COVID-19."

"Expanding the testing criteria at the two FEMA supported sites is an important step forward," **said New Jersey Department of Health Commissioner Judith Persichilli**.

For more information on COVID-19 testing locations and resources, visit <https://covid19.nj.gov/>.

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