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Community Health Centers Expand Access to Testing

*Ohio Community Health Centers offer safe care at a safe place, connecting Ohioans to COVID-19 Testing*

(COLUMBUS) – The Ohio Association of Community Health Centers applauds the Governor for encouraging Ohioans to seek care as well as guidance on testing from their local Community Health Center.

**What:** Ohio’s Community Health Centers offer safe care at a safe place and are open for business during the COVID-19 pandemic. Ohioans can call their nearest Health Center to learn their capabilities and process for COVID-19 screening and testing. Even if they are not able to test today, they can direct patients to the nearest community partner offering testing.

**Who:** Ohio’s 56 Federally Qualified Health Centers and FQHC Look-Alikes (more commonly referred to as Community Health Centers) provide high quality comprehensive care to more than 850,000 Ohioans across 400+ sites spread throughout 70 of the 88 counties. Community Health Centers are open to all Ohioans regardless of insurance status or ability to pay.

**What:** Community Health Centers provide medical and often, dental, behavioral health, pharmacy, vision and other needed supplemental services under one roof. During the COVID-19 pandemic, Community Health Centers are serving patients in person and/or via telehealth, as well as other safe innovative ways such as drive-through care or curbside services.

**Where:** Visit [www.ohiochc.org/FINDACHC](http://www.ohiochc.org/FINDACHC) to locate your nearest Community Health Center. Please phone the Health Center for next steps.

About OACHC | [www.ohiochc.org](http://www.ohiochc.org)
OACHC is a not-for-profit professional association representing Ohio's Federally Qualified Health Centers. OACHC's Mission is to ensure access to high-quality affordable health care for all Ohioans through the growth and development of Ohio's Community Health Centers. OACHC represents Ohio's 56 Community Health Centers at 400+ locations, including multiple mobile units, in 70 of Ohio’s 88 counties.

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