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**DOH Reminds Public of
Testing, Isolation, and Quarantine Procedures**

US Virgin Islands — US Virgin Islands — The Virgin Islands Department of Health would like to remind the community of its COVID-19 testing recommendations, and isolation, and quarantine procedures.

Individuals who are sick or have been exposed to someone with COVID-19 should call the Epidemiology hotline to schedule an appointment for a COVID-19 test. The hotline is open 7 days a week from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. at (340) 712-6299 OR (340) 776-1519.

Appointments also be scheduled online at covid19usvi.com/testing. The COVID-19 website also has a listing of other providers throughout the territory that offer COVID-19 testing.

Individuals who test positive for COVID-19, whether exhibiting symptoms or not exhibiting symptoms, are to isolate for 10 days.

Individuals who test positive for COVID-19 should **not** leave isolation to retest. Anyone waiting for results from the Department of Health's drive-thru testing site should remain at home and not return to the testing site for any reason.

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Individuals who have been identified as close contacts of someone who tested positive for COVID-19 should not go to work, events, grocery stores, or anywhere in public—including airplanes. If someone is sick or has been identified as a close contact of someone diagnosed with COVID-19 they should remain in quarantine for at least 5 days while they wait to test for COVID-19. If they test positive for COVID-19, they are to isolate as instructed.

If a fully vaccinated individual is exposed to someone confirmed to have COVID-19, they may return to work after quarantining for 5 days and get tested if symptoms develop. If symptoms do not develop, they should return to their normal activities and continue to wear a mask over their nose and mouth.

If an individual who is not fully vaccinated has been exposed to someone confirmed to have COVID-19, they are instructed to quarantine for 10 days and test on day 7 of exposure.

Drive-thru testing at the Charles Harwood Complex and the Schneider Regional Medical Center will continue with pre-scheduled testing (appointments required) from 9:30 to 12 p.m. and pop-up testing (no appointments required) from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Monday to Friday. On St. John, pop-up testing is on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 12 to 3 p.m. at the Port Authority Gravel Lot.

Pre-registration is strongly encouraged. Please visit covid19usvi.com/testing for more information.

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