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HEALTH ADVISORY UPDATE

DATE: 3/26/2020

REASON FOR THIS ADVISORY:

Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Drive-thru Specimen Collection Site for Persons 65 years of Age or Older

This advisory is posted on the City of El Paso Department of Public Health (DPH) website found at www.ephealth.com

The City of El Paso has received federal specimen collection assets to persons 65 years of age or older for COVID-19. **Testing criteria is for persons 65 years of age or older and a temperature of 99.6 F or greater plus a respiratory symptom.** If you do not meet the criteria, you will be asked to leave the line.

Do not take any fever reducing medications prior to your appointment, as you will not be allowed to test without a fever. Although you will not pay a copay or deductible, everyone will be asked for insurance information so the laboratory can seek reimbursement through the federal government. A doctor's order is not required.

Persons can make an appointment by calling **(915) 494-0982** during operational hours of **Monday thru Friday** from **7am – 3pm**. Location of the collection specimen drivethru site will be provided when the appointment is made.

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