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TO: **All Media Sources**
FROM: **Theresa K. Moore, Supervising Public Health Educator/Public Information Officer**
RE: **Rapid testing for COVID-19 in Western New York starts Saturday, August 29, 2020**
DATE: **August 28, 2020**

The following is a news release announces rapid testing sites in Western New York. Please release this information as soon as possible. Thank you for your assistance and cooperation. If you have any questions or need more information, please send the request in writing to me at mooretk@alleganyco.com or by fax at 585-268-9264.

News Release: Rapid Testing for COVID-19 in Western New York starts Saturday, August 29, 2020

Western New York has an increase in COVID-19 cases, the infection rate has been above 1.0% for more than a week. Governor Cuomo has stated that this is a caution flag for Western New York. In response to this uptick, New York State has sent teams to the region. They have set up eight new free rapid testing sites. The rapid testing begins tomorrow, Saturday, August 29, 2020. The test returns results in just 15 minutes. All residents of Western New York are eligible to get free testing, but ***you must call ahead to make an appointment***.

Call 833-NYSTRNG (1-833-697-8764) to make an appointment.

Governor Cuomo is asking all Western New York residents to get tested — especially if you have symptoms of COVID or if you believe you may have been in contact with someone who is positive for COVID.

The full list of sites:

Delavan-Grider Community Center
877 E. Delavan Ave.
Buffalo, NY 14215

True Bethel Baptist Church
907 E. Ferry St.
Buffalo, NY 14211

Northwest Buffalo Community Center
155 Lawn Ave.
Buffalo, NY 14207

Dunkirk Fire Murphy Training Grounds
665 Brigham Road
Dunkirk, NY 14048

SUNY ECC North
6205 Main St.
Williamsville, NY 14221

Union Fire Company
1845 Union Road
West Seneca, NY 14224

John A. Duke Senior Center
1201 Hyde Park Blvd.
Niagara Falls, NY 14301

YWCA of the Niagara Frontier
32 Cottage St.
Lockport, NY 14094

As always, I encourage New Yorkers to continue to take the simple and science-backed steps to reduce your risk: Wear a mask, wash your hands with soap often, and maintain social distancing. **Together, we will beat this virus.**

For more information on COVID-19, visit the New York State Department of Health's Coronavirus website https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/home .

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