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Public Service Announcement: FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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SUBJECT: Syringa accelerates COVID testing results

Grangeville – Syringa Hospital and Clinics is now offering same day COVID test results at their Grangeville location to patients showing symptoms.

This is a diagnostic, prescription only test designed for use in individuals suspected of having COVID-19 by their healthcare provider. It is for individuals with symptoms and should be run between day 3 and 7 of onset of symptoms. Syringa will continue to request patients showing symptoms visit our Sick Clinic at 711 W. N. Street. (across the street from the Primary Care Clinic) The clinic staff is prepared to answer questions to see if the individual qualifies for a test.

Syringa’s Abner King, CEO, states “We are very pleased that, in cooperation the North Central Idaho Public Health Department, Syringa can provide additional COVID testing needs of our community.”

The BinaxNOW™ tests will reduce the waiting time for COVID results at Syringa from 3-5 days to same day. Results of all tests will be reported to public health authorities within 24 hours of test completion.

The BinaxNOW™ tests are generally not recommended for screening or testing individuals who show no symptoms of COVID-19.

Syringa hopes to also offer accelerated testing results at the Kooskia Clinic in the future, more information to come later.

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