**CALDERDALE CCG COVID-19 TESTING – GP PRACTICES (Sept 2020- Mid Dec 2020)**

The interim manager of the service is Laura Kennedy. She can be contacted on calccg.serviceimprovementccg@nhs.net or 07815 917716.

The testing schedule for GP practices by PCN network is shown below;

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| **Primary Care Network** | **GP practices** **w/c** |
| Upper Valley | 1 Sept, 14Sept, 28 Sept, 12 Oct, 26 Oct, 9 Nov, 23 Nov, 7 Dec, 21 Dec  |
| Lower Valley | 1 Sept, 14Sept, 28 Sept, 12 Oct, 26 Oct, 9 Nov, 23 Nov, 7 Dec, 21 Dec  |
| Calder & Ryburn | 1 Sept, 14Sept, 28 Sept, 12 Oct, 26 Oct, 9 Nov, 23 Nov, 7 Dec, 21 Dec  |
| North Halifax | 7 Sept, 21 Sept, 5 Oct, 19 Oct, 2 Nov, 16 Nov, 30 Nov, 14 Dec  |
| Central Halifax | 7 Sept, 21 Sept, 5 Oct, 19 Oct, 2 Nov, 16 Nov, 30 Nov, 14 Dec |

*Please note that the above schedule is dependent on availability of stock and any changes in local and national policy. If any problems are anticipated, Laura will let you know as soon as possible*

**New arrangements**

Please note that from the 7th September the Covid-19 testing kits will be delivered to you and collected by the CHFT sample and post collection service. This is the van service that already operates in collecting other pathology samples from your practice.

There is a change to the delivery and collection times. This will be in line with the current times that the CHFT sample and post collection service arrive at your practice now. Please see your practice’s delivery and collection time in the table at the end of this briefing note.

**Monday**- your testing kits will be dropped off at your practice at the specified time

**Wednesday** – your completed test kits will be picked up from your practice at the specified time

**Friday**– your completed test kits will be picked up from your practice at the specified time.

You will now be supplied with orange transport bags & two sets of labels (UN sample identifier & your practice name) that you will need to place on each bag. These will be provided in the box when you receive your test kits. Please ensure that you place any completed test kits into the orange bags. The drivers will not be able to accept any completed test kits that are not in an orange bag.

The labels are a temporary measure until a fully printed sample transport bag has been produced.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Please note the following:

* Tests should ideally be undertaken on the day they are picked up, but can be done the afternoon of the day before pick-up if necessary (no longer than 24 hours before)
* Some of the test kits we receive are different from others and we have no control over this. The individual test kits do not have instructions in them; an electronic copy of the instructions is enclosed with this communication.
* Results take 1 – 3 days to come through. The Department of Health has a helpline to report significant delays in test results being received – this is 119 (calls are free from mobiles and landlines).
* The Calderdale COVID-19 testing process is an evolving one, and all constructive feedback is welcome.

**Thank you for taking part in the Calderdale COVID-19 testing process!**

**New drop off and pick up times – Mon, Wed & Fri**

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| **UV** | Applies to Monday, Wednesday and Friday  |
| Todmorden Group Practice | Delivered and collected at approx. 12.30 |
| Calder Community Practice | Delivered and collected at approx. 12.30 |
| Hebden Bridge Group Practice | Delivered and collected at approx. 12.50 |
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| **LV** |  |
| Rydings Hall Surgery | Delivered and collected at approx. 13.30 |
| Northolme Practice | Delivered and collected at approx. 12.50 |
| Church Lane Surgery | Delivered and collected at approx. 13.30 |
| Rastrick Health Centre | Delivered and collected at approx. 14.05 |
| Longroyde Surgery | Delivered and collected at approx. 14.00 |
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| **C & R** |  |
| Station Road Surgery | Delivered and collected at approx. 13.00 |
| Brig Royd Surgery | Delivered and collected at approx. 13.15 |
| Stainland Road Medical Centre | Delivered and collected at approx. 13.35 |
| Bankfield Surgery | Delivered and collected at approx. 13.45 |
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| **NH** |  |
| Keighley Road Surgery | Delivered and collected at approx. 12.30 |
| Beechwood Medical Centre | Delivered and collected at approx. 12.50 |
| Lister Lane Surgery  | Delivered and collected at approx. 12.30 |
| Plane Trees Group Practice | Delivered and collected at approx. 13.10 |
| Caritas Group Practice | Delivered and collected at appox. 12.40 |
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| **CH** |  |
| Rosegarth Surgery | Delivered and collected at approx. 14.00 |
| Spring Hall Medical Practice | Delivered and collected at approx. 13.20 |
| Boulevard Medical Practice | Delivered and collected at approx. 14.05 |
| King Cross Practice | Delivered and collected at approx. 13.30 |