Matagorda County Emergency Operation Center Press Release

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**The State of Texas COVID-19 testing will return to Matagorda County**

**Date:** Thursday May 7, 2020

Matagorda County has been notified that a State sponsored drive-thru COVID-19 test site will be open on Thursday May 7, 2020 from 9 am to 6 pm.

Located at the Bay City Civic Center, 201 7th Street, Bay City, Texas 77414.

**This test is a nasal mid-turbinate swab test not an anti-body test.** Results are expected to be announced by next Friday May 15, 2020.

Individuals who wish to be tested must have an appointment and be pre-screened to receive testing.

**Who can get the test?** Anyone in our region with one or more of the following symptoms: fever and/or chills, cough (dry or productive), fatigue, body aches/muscle or joint pain, shortness of breath, sore throat, headaches, nausea/vomiting/diarrhea, nasal congestion, loss of taste and/or smell.

Download the flyer here. <https://www.matagordaregional.org/covidmtc>

**Please follow the instruction on the following links:**

<https://www.matagordaregional.org/covidmtc>

<https://www.matagordaregional.org/files/2020/04/mtc.pdf>

Testing will be conducted one day only at the Bay City Civic Center, located at 201 7th Street (Highway 35W), in Bay City, TX.

**How do I register?**

Call (512) 883-2400 or visit [www.txcovidtest.org](http://www.txcovidtest.org)

Again testing is free and will be conducted Thursday, May 7th from 9am to 6pm at the Bay City Civic Center.

**Tests are conducted by appointment only.**

There is a **Facebook live update** from the Matagorda County Emergency Operations Center scheduled for Thursday May, 7th at 4PM.

Matagorda County Judge Nate McDonald along with Bay City Mayor Robert Nelson, and Palacios Mayor Glen Smith will be updating the public on the progress of the community re-opening process.