## **Announcement**

Every One Matters.

Effective January 6, 2021 West Elgin Community Health Centre will become an official:

# COVID-19 Assessment Centre

#### What has changed?

Since March WECHC staff has been testing individuals for COVID-19. We started testing our own primary care clients. Soon after we received calls from other individuals asking us to test them as well. We heard that travelling to London or St. Thomas for testing was a barrier for many.

We did not advertise this service as COVID-19 testing was in addition to current workloads. There was little time to devote to more testing. We also only tested individuals who lived in Dutton Dunwich and West Elgin municipalities. As an official Assessment Centre we will now receive funding for additional staff which will enable us to offer expanded hours for testing.

In collaboration with St. Thomas Elgin General Hospital we have been approved by the SWLHIN to be an Assessment Centre, a hub of the STEGH Assessment Centre, effective January 6, 2021.

#### What does this change mean?

We will now advertise this service. Anyone (no matter where you live) requiring a test can call us to book an appointment. We will be testing Monday, Wednesday and Friday each week. Phones will be answered Monday through Friday. If there is demand, we will expand our operating days/hours.

### WECHC COVID-19 Assessment Centre

153 Main Street, West Lorne ON N0L 2P0 Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8:30am to 4:30pm

## To book your appointment call: 519-857-2683

Please have your health card available when you call.



West Elgin Community Health Centre

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