

## STRIDE Community Health Center Begins On-Site Community COVID-19 and IgG Antibody Testing

The Community Health Center will offer testing for communities in need through its Mobile Health Unit

**DENVER, COLO. (May 5, 2020)** – In coordination with state efforts, STRIDE Community Health Center announced today the expansion of its COVID-19 and IgG Antibody testing to include mobile on-site testing for rural and suburban communities and businesses in need.

STRIDE's first partnership is with Park County Public Health to provide *COVID-19 swab testing only* for individuals who are symptomatic in the community. COVID-19 testing will be provided on **Thursday, May 14, 2020** at the following location:

## Platte Canyon High School

57243 US Highway 285 Bailey, CO 80421



Testing will begin at **9:00 a.m**. and will continue until testing supplies are depleted. Testing is available to individuals with or without health insurance. Any individual interested in testing should bring their photo ID and insurance card, if applicable. Adverse weather conditions <u>may</u> cause rescheduling of testing. <u>IgG antibody testing will NOT be provided at this</u> <u>location</u>.

"Park County has not had testing available since the COVID-19 Outbreak started," shared Lynn Ramey, Director of Park County Public Health. "Park County Public Health Agency and STRIDE Community Health Center are collaborating to provide a testing site in Park County so that Park County residents have an opportunity to access testing in their own community."

"As we return to a new normal, partnering with other organizations to ensure the entire state of Colorado remains safe is a key priority for STRIDE," stated Alyssa Collado, Director of Dental Operations at STRIDE, who is overseeing the expansion of the Mobile Health Unit's community testing. "The opportunity to serve Park County Public Health and bring much-needed testing to our rural populations aligns with STRIDE's core mission and values. We're eager to bring these services to a community that has limited access to testing and resources."

Mobile testing is available to businesses, school districts, and local public health agencies who have identified a need in the community. Opportunities for both swab testing and IgG antibody testing are available. Interested organizations may submit a <u>Mobile Testing Request Form</u>.

STRIDE continues to be one of the only Community Health Centers in Colorado providing swab and IgG antibody testing for COVID-19. For more information about STRIDE's response and efforts to address COVID-19, please visit STRIDE's <u>website or call STRIDE at (303) 360-6276</u>.



As a Community Health Center, STRIDE addresses the need for affordable and accessible medical, behavioral health, and dental care among low-income, uninsured, and underserved populations residing outside the city and county of Denver. In 2019, STRIDE served more than 50,000 patients in Adams, Arapahoe, Douglas, Jefferson and Park counties.

###

## ABOUT STRIDE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER

<u>STRIDE Community Health Center</u> is a non-profit Federally Qualified Health Center that has served the Denver metropolitan area since 1989. STRIDE provides community and refugee medical, dental, mental health, substance abuse, pharmacy, and community-based services, including case management, outreach to the homeless, adolescent services, health education, and maternal child health to the more than 50,000 underserved, uninsured and working individuals and families who need health care services the most. STRIDE serves a five-county area and has one of the largest population bases of any Community Health Center in Colorado.

This project is supported by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) under grant number H80CS00217. This information or content and conclusions are those of the author and should not be construed as the official position or policy of, nor should any endorsements by inferred by HRSA, HHS, or the U.S. Government. STRIDE is a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC). STRIDE is a FTCA Deemed Facility (FTCA).

## ABOUT PARK COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH

Park County Public Health, in partnership with the community we serve, protects the health and safety of the residents of Park County. Our agency protects the health of the community through various programs including public health emergency preparedness and response, investigation and control of infectious diseases like Covid-19, and by providing vaccinations. Public Health also provides a number of other programs including the WIC Program, a supplemental food and nutrition education program for women. Infants and children, smoking cessation programs and outreach programs for individuals with Medicaid and CHP+.