

Midland opens COVID-19 Assessment Centre

IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Midland, ON (March 23, 2020)- On Wednesday, March 25, 2020 a COVID-19 Assessment Centre will be open **by appointment only** in Midland. The centre is located adjacent to the Chigamik Community Health Centre at 845 Unit 3 King St, Midland in the Cedar Room.

The objective of the clinic is to assess and, only where appropriate, swab people for COVID-19. This COVID-19 assessment centre **is by appointment only**. For safety reasons, **“walk-in” appointments are prohibited**. Not all individuals who attend the clinic will be swabbed.

How can I be seen at the Assessment Centre?

Beginning Tuesday, March 24, there are three (3) ways to access an appointment with the Assessment Centre. Please note a screening tool will always be used to determine if you should be seen at the centre.

- 1) Go to the Georgian Bay General Hospital website at <http://gbgh.on.ca/covid-19-novel-coronavirus-updates/>
- 2) Call the assessment centre booking desk at 705-529-1025, 7 days a week from 8 am to 8 pm.
- 3) Call Telehealth at 1-866-797-0000

What happens at the Assessment Centre?

You will be assessed by a nurse at the Assessment Centre. The nurse will make a clinical determination if a test is required. If a test is required, you will be swabbed and the sample sent for processing. You will then be given instructions on how to self-isolate at home.

If I am tested at the Assessment Centre, how will I find out the results?

Public Health will contact you to inform you of the result and provide any other necessary information if you test positive.

If I am tested, how long will it take to get the results?

This will vary depending on the number of tests being performed. You will be advised to remain at home in self-isolation pending the results of your test. Regardless of the results you must self-isolate at home.

[Click here for a guide on how to self-isolate](#)

For general questions do not call or go to the COVID-19 Assessment Centre. Instead, please call Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit at 705-721-7520 or 1-888-225-7851.

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About GBGH:

Georgian Bay General Hospital (GBGH) is a 105-bed acute care community hospital located in Midland, Ontario. The hospital offers emergency, ambulatory, acute, intensive and complex continuing care, as well as imaging, dialysis, obstetrical and rehabilitation services. GBGH serves the areas of Midland, Penetanguishene, Christian Island as well as Tay, Tiny, Springwater and Georgian Bay Townships.