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Lakeshore Community Health Care Offers Free COVID-19 Testing

SHEBOYGAN - Lakeshore Community Health Care (LCHC) is now offering COVID-19 diagnostic testing and care for their patients and community members without a regular doctor who have symptoms or who have been in contact with someone who tested positive for Coronavirus.

Symptoms can include fever, cough, shortness of breath, sore throat, headache, fatigue, body or muscle aches, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, or loss of smell or taste.

Individuals without a regular doctor who are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms will be prescreened by calling one of Lakeshore Community Health Care clinic's 920-783-6633 (Sheboygan) or 920-686-2333 (Manitowoc) to determine if there is a need for a testing. To limit exposure to the staff and other patients, it is very important to call before going to the clinic.

LCHC's clinics are open for dental emergencies and medical care including an acute care clinic for symptoms related to COVID-19. Telehealth is being offered for mental health care, medical and dental appointments. The pharmacy is offering curbside pickup and free delivery options.

The organization will continue to resume its services safely, following guidelines from the CDC, public health and various associations. LCHC has already started to reschedule over 5,000 appointments delayed by the health crisis.

Lakeshore Community Health Care has modified their processes and procedures to ensure the safety of patients and staff, including screening patients and visitors, adding universal masking policies, visitor restrictions, increasing telehealth services and creating separate areas for COVID-19 patients.

Anyone with a chronic medical condition that needs to be managed, a dental emergency or those experiencing mental health issues, should not delay seeking care from a professional. For those who have recently lost their insurance due to layoffs, LCHC offers assistance applying for insurance (BadgerCare and Marketplace).

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Lakeshore Community Health Care provides primary medical, dental, mental health, and pharmacy services for all, regardless of insurance status or income level. The non-profit's mission is to provide access to high-quality, comprehensive health care and reduce health disparities for underserved people in Sheboygan and Manitowoc Counties with a focus on serving low-income families, individuals, the uninsured and underinsured, and those enrolled in Medicaid (BadgerCare).