

## **News Release**

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## **Charleston County and Fetter Health Care Mobile Testing Report**

Charleston County Government and Fetter Health Care Network completed more than 1,000 citizen tests for COVID-19 through its mobile testing initiative. Last week, 760 tests were administered with three positive cases of COVID-19. Since May 4, Charleston County's Public Safety Directorate and Fetter Health Care have set up mobile drive-thru and walk-up screening and testing sites in various locations throughout Charleston County.

"Since the onset of our partnership with Fetter Health Care Network, the goal was to reach as many people as possible in Charleston County," said Deputy County Administrator of Public Safety Eric Watson. "The only way for us to accomplish this goal was to garner support from our community partners and create a strategic mobility plan to bring mobile COVID-19 testing to our citizens. Based on the overwhelming response from the community, I think Charleston County Public Safety's collaboration with Fetter Health Care Network and our community partners have accomplished that goal."

Screening and testing will be conducted from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Charleston County highly recommends citizen utilize the pre-screening process to expedite the testing.

- May 12: Johns Island Library, 3531 Maybank Hwy., Johns Island, SC 29455
- May 13: St. James Bethel AME, 5305 Maybank Hwy., Wadmalaw Island, SC 29487
- May 14: Church of Christ, 3950 Azalea Dr., North Charleston 29405
- May 15: Life Center Ministry, 7190 Cross County Road, North Charleston 29418
- May 18: Arabian Temple, 4132 Rivers Ave., North Charleston 29405
- May 19: Mt. Moriah Missionary Baptist Church, 7396 Rivers Ave., North Charleston 29406
- May 20: St. Matthews Baptist Church, 2005 Reynolds Ave., North Charleston SC 29405
- May 21: Lovely Mountain Baptist Church, 6798 Ward Ave., North Charleston SC 29406
- May 22: Goodwill AME Church, 2818 N. Hwy. 17, Mount Pleasant, SC 29466

Individuals experiencing cough, fever and shortness of breath can request a screening at <u>FetterCovid19Screening.org</u> or by calling 1-800-365-7410 to connect with a Fetter provider who will determine the need for testing. Citizens are asked to wear face coverings and practice safe social distancing while at the mobile testing site.

Currently, all insurance providers in South Carolina are covering the cost of COVID-19 testing. Patient insurance information will processed, in order to complete testing. No co-pays or deductibles are being charged. All patients will be served regardless of their ability to pay.

## **About Fetter Health Care Network**

Fetter Health Care Network is a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) chartered as a 501c3 non-profit in the State of South Carolina in 1975. They provide comprehensive services for insured, uninsured and underserved residents in Berkeley, Charleston, Colleton and Dorchester Counties. Today, Fetter Health Care Network has 24 different sites which includes a mobile dental unit, medical laboratories, and pharmacies.

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