

Dear LIA Alumni Members:

I want to thank the staff at the Idaho Association of Commerce and Industry who shared this information. We are hearing of various businesses, associations and farms who have serious concerns about COVID-19 testing times for:

- 1 Employees who have to remain away from their job until they are able to obtain a negative test.
- 2 Employees who have shown symptoms and need to be tested quickly.

We are hearing that people are reporting waits of four days or more to receive test results. All asymptomatic testing in Idaho is currently being done through a "swab and send" program in which the provider sends the test sample to a lab to get results. For symptomatic employees, there are several independent pharmacies in the state that have equipment in-house and will provide free testing.

Local pharmacies have the ability to contract with employers around the state to provide quicker testing for employees who have potentially been exposed to COVID-19. Attached is a list of pharmacies (with contact information) around the state that are currently testing or are able to test if there is an expressed need in a community. This list was compiled by the Idaho Retailers Association in cooperation with Idaho Association of Commerce and Industry (thanks Alex and Pam).

We encourage Alumni who are looking for faster testing options to reach out to the pharmacies in their communities to explore possible partnerships to help facilitate quicker testing. If you have any questions about local options, please do not hesitate to contact the Idaho Retailers Association CEO, Pam Eaton. Her contact information is included in the attached pharmacies document for reference.

[Pharmacies Doing COVID Testing](#)

[Albertsons Idaho Testing Sites](#)

Thank you.

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