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## **SoutheastHEALTH Continues to Offer Pre-Screens, Testing for COVID-19**

Cape Girardeau, MO - SoutheastHEALTH is continuing to offer pre-screening and testing for COVID-19 as we work through this healthcare challenge. Individuals who are concerned that they may be infected with COVID-19 may call the SoutheastHEALTH hotline, 573-519-4983. This is a 24/7 hotline staffed by a nurse who will ask callers about symptoms.

If pre-screening questions warrant further investigation, individuals are directed for testing at Southeast Primary Care. If callers do not have a primary care physician, SoutheastHEALTH will connect callers with providers. This screening process is currently focused on symptomatology, including fever, shortness of breath, cough and travel history.

As of April 15, the drive-through testing site at Arena Park was closed due to a rapid decline in the number of tests performed at the site each day, partly due to Missouri's Stay at Home order. If the region experiences a surge in positive COVID-19 cases, the center will reopen.

SoutheastHEALTH continues to monitor and respond as necessary to the COVID-19 situation in and around Cape County. SoutheastHEALTH encourages individuals to follow Stay at Home orders as much as possible while also practicing social distancing and good hand hygiene.

Also be reassured that during these challenging times, SoutheastHEALTH will continue to provide all patients with the quality care they expect and deserve.

### About SoutheastHEALTH

At SoutheastHEALTH, the region's premier healthcare system in southeast Missouri, our patients receive excellent care of the highest clinical quality, close to home. Within our network are more than 50 care locations in 13 communities, including hospitals, primary and specialty care clinics representing over 30 clinical specialties and extending care for patients in a four-state area. Learn more at [SEhealth.org](http://SEhealth.org).

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