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## **Health District to Offer Free HIV Testing**

Wichita Falls, Texas- The Wichita Falls-Wichita County Public Health District will be offering free HIV testing and blood pressure checks from 8 am to 4 pm on Tuesday, June 27, 2023. No appointment will be necessary, as walk-in patients will be accepted.

Following testing, free condoms, lubes, and pre-and-post-exposure education will be available.

June 27 is National HIV Testing Day. The theme for 2023 is “Take the Test and Take the Next Step”, which emphasizes knowing your HIV status and choosing options to help you stay healthy.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported that HIV testing is the pathway to keeping sexually-active people healthy, regardless of their test results. Those who receive a negative test result can receive information regarding HIV prevention tools available such as pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP), condoms, and other sexual health services including vaccines and testing for sexually transmitted infections.

People who receive a positive test result can quickly be referred for HIV treatment services, which include antiretroviral therapy (ART) to stay healthy.

Those with any questions may call the Health District at 940-761-7843

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