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SARATOGA COUNTY ANNOUNCES OPENING OF LARGE-SCALE COMMUNITY TESTING SITE IN PARTNERSHIP WITH QUADRANT BIOSCIENCES

MALTA, NY-Saratoga County officials today announced the County has partnered with Syracuse-based Quadrant Biosciences to open a COVID testing site for symptomatic members of the community.

The new site, located in the Malta Commons Business Park at 100 Saratoga Village Blvd, is open to the public to help address the growing demand for additional COVID testing sites in the county.

Theodore T. Kusnierz, Jr., Town of Moreau Supervisor and Chair of the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors said, "I am thrilled to announce this important partnership with Quadrant Biosciences to bring a muchneeded, large-scale community testing site to Saratoga County residents. With its central location in Malta and close proximity to the Northway, this testing site will not only provide families with a convenient place to get tested, but will also help alleviate the strain on our urgent cares. The opening of this testing site is another example of how Saratoga County has made fighting the COVID pandemic our number one priority and I thank Quadrant Biosciences for their partnership and efforts to help slow the spread in Saratoga County."

Dr. Daniel Kuhles, Commissioner of Saratoga County Public Health Services said, "Testing is an important tool that can help to reduce transmission in our community. Anyone with symptoms of COVID-19 should get tested, regardless of their vaccination status or prior infection."

Adults or children experiencing mild to moderate symptoms are encouraged to schedule an appointment. The Clarifi COVID-19 Saliva test from Quadrant Biosciences is currently the most sensitive saliva test on the market, and can detect all known variants including the Omicron variant.

"We are happy to partner with Saratoga County to support access to COVID testing as we recognize there is an unmet need in the community for access to testing," said Rita Romano, President of Quadrant Laboratories, the laboratory division of Quadrant Biosciences." By opening this symptomatic testing location and providing access to COVID testing, we're hoping to alleviate the pressure hospitals and doctor's offices are feeling and allow them to get back to routine visits with their patients."

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Appointments are available weekdays from 8AM to 4PM and can be scheduled by visiting the Quadrant website at quadrantbiosciences.com/covidtesting. Testing hours may be expanded, should the demand for testing prove necessary. The site can accommodate approximately 1,000 patients a week, currently.

Testing will be done using the Clarifi COVID-19 Saliva Test and results will be available within 24-48 hours of testing. Those using the Malta testing site will have to create an account at app.clarifi-covid-19.com to access their results.

For more information or to make an appointment, please visit <u>quadrantbiosciences.com/covidtesting</u> or <u>www.saratogacountyny.gov/COVID</u>.

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