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Take the Test, Take Control

South Central Public Health District Offering FREE HIV Rapid Tests

TWIN FALLS- In celebration of National HIV Testing Day, South Central Public Health District is offering **free** HIV testing (by appointment only) to Twin Falls County residents on Friday, June 25, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Twin Falls office. Results will be available about 15 minutes after testing. This clinic is sponsored by the Twin Falls Health Initiatives Trust. To make an appointment, call 737-5966.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) estimates that one in five people living with HIV today are unaware that they're HIV positive. The CDC recommends that people from age 13 through age 64 include an HIV test in their annual physical exams.

HIV is passed through contact with the blood, semen, vaginal fluids, or breast milk of an infected person. People may be HIV positive and not be aware of their status. Only HIV testing can confirm your status. Early detection can prevent a person from transmitting the virus to others.

Take the Test, Take Control. For more information, call Jill Johnson-Schultz, Public Health Nurse, at 737-5932.

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