

SITUATIONAL AWARENESS ADVISORY Lab limiting test today and Wednesday

Monday, December 27th, 2021

Good evening,

A short while ago, we were notified that due to the increase in demand at the testing sites around the state, the lab is limiting the number of tests for today to 175, and has been reached.

The Omicron variant is overwhelming test sites across the country, which is causing turnaround times for results to exceed even the 48-hour timeframe. The lab's decision to limit tests today is to enable them to catch up with processing and retain the 24-48 hour turnaround time. We have been assured that they are increasing the limit to 250 for Wednesday.

If you plan to get tested on Wednesday, please be patient and follow the CERT team's traffic control flow to keep the line moving along. First responders should use the priority line through the Town Garage entrance, park along the fence once inside the Transfer Station, exit your vehicle and walkup to be swabbed. Please be sure to have your filled out form and insurance card ready. This will help keep the process moving forward.

As you may also have heard, Kent will be receiving a cache of at-home tests this week - details are still evolving and we will send out information when we have them.

Stay well, Jean

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