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### **Changes in COVID-19 testing notifications**

**WADENA, Minn. – Oct. 25, 2021** – Tri-County Health Care is changing the COVID-19 test result notification process. In an effort to reduce clinical workload, negative test results will be predominantly communicated via MyChart and mail. Patients with positive test results will be contacted by phone and MyChart.

It is strongly recommended that patients sign up and use MyChart. This service allows for the efficient distribution of medical information and instructions, including test results. Patients often receive test results much faster by utilizing MyChart. Sign up for MyChart on [TCHC.org/mychart](https://TCHC.org/mychart).

On Tuesday, Oct. 26, The Minnesota National Guard will be overseeing a COVID-19 rapid testing site in Wadena. It will operate on Mondays & Tuesdays from 11-6 p.m. at the Wadena Armory located at 517 N Jefferson St. It will continue until the end of December. Tests can be arranged by appointment or walk-in. Testing is free.

Additionally, medical staff at Tri-County Health Care anticipate the COVID-19 vaccine will be approved for children, ages 5-11. Please continue to check local newspapers and [TCHC.org](https://TCHC.org) for further updates.

#### **ABOUT TRI-COUNTY HEALTH CARE**

Tri-County Health Care is a private, not-for-profit health care system based in Wadena, Minnesota. It offers care services such as primary health, surgery, cancer care, diagnostic imaging, obstetrics, orthopedics and rehabilitation. Tri-County Health Care operates a hospital and medical clinic in Wadena, and serves the counties of Wadena, Todd and Otter Tail through five satellite clinics and two physical therapy clinics in Bertha, Henning, Ottertail, Sebeka and Verndale. Visit [TCHC.org](https://TCHC.org).

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