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Eastern Idaho Public Health to Offer Free HIV Testing National HIV Testing Day is June 27

EASTERN IDAHO - June 27 is National HIV Testing Day and in recognition of this annual event, Eastern Idaho Public Health (EIPH) will offer **FREE** confidential rapid HIV tests. Please call for an appointment.

| <u>Date/Time</u> | <u>EIPH Testing Location</u> | <u>Call for Appointment</u> |
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| June 9, 16, 23, & 30 (8:00 to 5:00) | Rexburg – 314 No. 3 rd East | 356-3239 |
| June 16 (8:00 to 5:00) | St. Anthony – 45 So. 2 nd West | 624-7585 |

More than one million Americans are living with HIV infection, and approximately one in five don't know it. CDC recommends that everyone between the ages of 13 and 64 be tested for HIV at least once in their lifetime and those at increased risk - such as men who have sex with men, injection drug users, or individuals who have sex with multiple partners and/or unknown partners especially where condoms are not used - should be tested at least annually. HIV counseling and testing enables people with HIV to take steps to protect their own health and that of their partners, and helps people who test negative get the information they need to stay uninfected.

It is well known that early diagnosis of HIV can improve an individual's long term prognosis and reduce the spread of HIV. The longer an HIV infection remains undiagnosed, the more likely an AIDS diagnosis will follow. While Idaho remains a low prevalence state, it is important that individuals at risk get tested.

Take control, take the test - call today for your **FREE**, confidential HIV testing appointment!

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