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## **News Release**

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## Eastern Idaho Public Health to Offer Free HIV Testing All Month of June

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EASTERN IDAHO - June 27 is National HIV Testing Day and in recognition of this annual event, Eastern Idaho Public Health (EIPH) will offer <u>FREE</u> confidential rapid HIV tests throughout the month of June at all our office locations. Please call for an appointment.

Office	Testing Location	Call for Appointment
Bonneville County	1250 Hollipark Drive – I.F.	208-525-7245
Clark County	332 West Main Street	208-374-5216
Custer County (Challis)	610 North Clinic Road, Ste A	208-879-2504
Custer County (Mackay)	301 Cedar	208-588-2947
Fremont County	45 South 2 <sup>nd</sup> West	208-624-7585
Jefferson County (Mud Lake)	1078 East 1500 North	208-663-4860
Jefferson County (Rigby)	380 Community Lane	208-745-7297
Lemhi County	801 Monroe	208-756-2123
Madison County	314 North 3 <sup>rd</sup> East	208-356-3239
Teton County	820 Valley Centre Drive	208-354-2220

More than one million Americans are living with HIV infection, and approximately one in five don't know it. The Centers for Disease Control 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!