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## AGRICULTURAL SEASONAL WORKER COVID-19 TESTING INITIATIVE

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The Departments of Agriculture and Markets, Health, and Labor are partnering with county health departments, Cornell Cooperative Extension, New York Farm Bureau and community health partners in Clinton, Genesee, Orleans, Ulster and Wayne Counties to offer free COVID-19 testing to agricultural workers.

These counties were selected for this opportunity as the counties that see the highest number of out-of-state workers during harvest season.

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**WHEN:** Starting Thursday, August 20, 2020

**WHERE:** At locations selected by the farm/local health departments.

### **WHAT is Required:**

- Face masks must be worn at the testing locations.
- Employees will be required to provide their name, DOB, contact phone number, and employer name at the time of testing.
- Farm operators must ensure that they:
  - Have read, understood, and comply with the guidelines.  
<https://agriculture.ny.gov/covid-19-operator-checklist-farms>  
<https://agriculture.ny.gov/interim-guidance-prevention-and-response-covid-19-farms>  
<https://agriculture.ny.gov/covid-19-prevention-tips-farmworkers>
  - Have a plan, including housing available to isolate workers if they are positive and quarantine workers who are identified as contacts to a case.
  - Have a plan to supplement their current workforce, if the need arises.
- Register for this initiative.

### **REGISTRATION:**

<https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/78fd67f98e104d1c95f533cb8ac9c200>

*\*\*Once registered, a representative from the local county health department, community health partner and/or the State Department of Health will contact each farm individually to identify the best date and time for testing.*