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Media Opportunity

Fort Carson establishes Consolidated Screening and Testing Center to limit spread of COVID-19

FORT CARSON, Colo. — Media is invited to cover the establishment of the Centralized Screening and Testing Center (CSTC) at Evans Army Community Hospital (EACH) Wednesday at 3 p.m.

The CSTC, which will officially open Thursday at 7 a.m. at the Soldier Family Care Center will serve as a dedicated, initial-screening and testing center for patients with COVID-19 symptoms and concerns.

The center will be open seven days a week from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m.

The center will provide screening, testing, and treatment for patients with symptoms associated with COVID-19, such as fever, cough and shortness of breath. The consolidation of patients to this area of the facility will help minimize the possible spread of COVID-19.

Patients visiting the CSTC will need to bring their DOD I.D. card and list of current prescriptions. Children age 10 and up will also need to bring their DOD I.D. card.

Traffic control points will also be established on Thursday at 6 a.m. along Cochrane Circle to direct patients and staff to designated parking areas, to include parking for those visiting the CSTC for screening.

Entrance into Evans Army Community Hospital will be consolidated to three entryways for visitors.

The West Entrance will serve as the entry for staff and patients who are considered well and not exhibiting symptoms. Each person entering the West entrance will have their temperature taken before proceeding.

Staff and patients who are sick or exhibiting symptoms will enter through the SFCC entrance for access to the CSTC for screening. The Emergency Department remains open and able to receive all patients with urgent and emergent medical needs. Patients with severe symptoms potentially related to COVID-19 will also be seen in the ED.

For the latest information on COVID-19, visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Department of Defense Coronavirus websites at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus> and <https://www.defense.gov/Explore/Spotlight/Coronavirus/>, or call the Fort Carson COVID-19 Hotline at (719) 524-2684.

For more information contact the Fort Carson Public Affairs Office at (719) 526-7525. After hours, please contact the 24-hour Fort Carson Operations Center at 526-5500 and ask for the On-Call Public Affairs Officer.