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## FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN LAKE COUNTY WILL OFFER RESIDENTS FREE TESTING IN OBSERVANCE OF NATIONAL HIV TESTING DAY



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**EUSTIS, FL** – The Florida Department of Health in Lake County will be offering free HIV Testing on Tuesday, June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017 from 11 am to 2 pm at the Walgreens located at 2010 Citrus Blvd. Leesburg, FL. No appointment necessary.

National HIV Testing Day is a reminder to get the facts, get tested, and get involved to take care of yourself and your partners. More than 90 percent of new HIV infections in the United States can be prevented by testing and diagnosing people who have HIV and ensuring they receive prompt, ongoing care and treatment.

This event is an excellent opportunity to get tested and learn your status” said Aaron Kissler, Health Officer of the Florida Department of Health in Lake County. “because protection against this disease starts with knowledge”

CDC estimates that 1,218,400 people aged 13 years and older are living with HIV infection, including 156,300 (12.8%) who are unaware of their infection. Over the past decade, the number of people living with HIV has increased.

For more information on HIV/AIDS please visit [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov) or [lake.flhealth.gov](http://lake.flhealth.gov) or call (352) 516-6993.

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