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HASC | Global Health: FDA Authorized COVID-19 Antigen Quick Testing Now Available!

Global Health locations in Pasadena and Texas City are open to the public for walk-in COVID-19 Antigen Quick Testing.

- Real-time infection status
- Laboratory machine in clinic
- Same-day results
- High accuracy
 - If the result shows positive, it is 100% accurate (predictive value)
 - Sensitivity 87.5%, Specificity 90%

Other testing methods available:

- Antibody finger stick testing (15 minutes)
- Blood draw antibody testing (average 5 days)
- PCR nasal swab testing (average 7 days)
- On-site testing

Please contact nurse@hasc.com or 281-476-9900 x338 for more information.

[Please click here to view video with additional information.](#)

Required at SCTC: Mask or Face-Covering

To continue doing our part in COVID-19 prevention and promoting best practices, and in accordance with Governor Abbott's guidance, SCTC is requiring all visitors to wear a mask or other face-covering when on our campus.

2020 National Stand-Down to Prevent Falls in Construction: Sept 14-18

The Stand-Down was originally conceived by OSHA in 2014 as part of [the National Campaign to Prevent Falls in Construction](#) to raise awareness surrounding the severity of fall hazards in construction and the importance of preventing them. In a construction setting,

the term "safety stand-down" is used to describe a wide variety of activities where normal work is paused and the entire site focuses on a particular safety issue. While some employers may use stand-downs to call attention to specific hazards present on their site as an intervention, the Campaign has adopted the use of the stand-down to draw attention to fall hazards in a nation-wide week-long event. It's an opportunity for employers to pause work and have a conversation with workers about fall hazards, protective methods, and the company's safety policies, goals and expectations. This should also be an opportunity for workers to talk to management about fall hazards they see.

For more information, please visit these websites:

<https://stopconstructionfalls.com/2020-stand-down-plan/>

<https://www.cdc.gov/niosh/updates/upd-08-13-20.html>

COVID-19 pandemic: OSHA releases guidelines for oil and gas industry - Safety+Health Magazine

Washington - OSHA has published [COVID-19-related guidance](#) intended to help employers in the oil and gas industry reduce exposure among workers, including personnel in the subindustries and those whose tasks "make up the broader oil and gas industrial sector."

The guidance includes a table with examples of tasks and associated risk levels, along with examples of engineering and administrative controls. Additionally, the agency addresses cloth facial coverings, safe work practices, personal protective equipment, and OSHA "flexibilities" on PPE requirements and prioritization during the pandemic.

Among the agency's recommendations:

- Defer work requiring close contact with others, if possible.
- Configure communal work environments so workers are spaced at least 6 feet apart.
- Stagger workers' arrival, break and departure times.
- Ensure adequate ventilation in work areas to help minimize potential exposure.
- Encourage workers to wear face coverings to prevent the potential spread of the virus.

For more information, please

visit: <https://www.safetyandhealthmagazine.com/articles/20184-covid-19-pandemic-osh-releases-guidelines-for-oil-and-gas-industry>

Labor Day Holiday

SCTC will be closed on Monday, September 7th for the Labor Day Holiday. Normal business hours will resume on Tuesday, September 8th.

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