

Comhairle Uladh

Ulster Council G.A.A.



24 Meán Fomhair 2020

Indoor Covid-19 Testing Centres – Call for GAA Support

A chairde,

Ulster GAA have been contacted by the Public Health Agency to determine if GAA facilities would be suitable for use as indoor Covid Testing Centres.

The PHA wish to secure a list of suitable venues for provision of testing locally. This would ensure a rapid response to local testing should the situation occur that it is needed.

To date the national testing partnership provides mostly a drive through service. The PHA wish to expand this to accommodate people who require a walk-through service.

The PHA are seeking support from the GAA to consider their suitability to provide facilities to host walk through Covid Testing Centres.

A suitable venue will have:

- A room minimum 15/10m
- Double access – for walk through system of testing
- Flooring: suitable for chlorine cleaning agent
- The test room to be separate from regular organisational business
- Designated separate staff and client toilets
- Access for the local community

If you can answer YES to all the above requirements please complete the attached form and return to carrie.crossan@hscni.net by Friday 2 October 2020. Please cc to your County Secretary.

Clubs can expect their hall to be fitted with temporary testing stations, and the hall will be out-of-use for any other activity while operating as a Covid Testing Centre. Insurance will be covered by the PHA.

Once PHA have the attached information they will contact suitable clubs with more detail. Clubs will have the opportunity to ask any questions before agreeing to be used as a Testing Centre. Clubs will be visited for a site-assessment by PHA staff, and risk management issues addressed at this time. The testing will be managed entirely by NCTP team.

Please see form overleaf.

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Please complete the venue checklist:

If you can answer YES to questions 5 – 10 below please complete the form and return to carrie.crossan@hscni.net by Friday 2 October 2020.

PHA will be in contact with your club thereafter.

	Checklist:	Response:
1	Club Name and County:	
2	Key management personnel email and telephone number:	
3	Key facilities personnel email and telephone number:	
4	Venue Postcode	
5	A room minimum 15/10m?	
6	Double access – for walk through system of testing?	
7	Flooring: suitable for chlorine cleaning agent?	
8	Can the test room be separated from regular organisational business?	
9	Designated separate staff and client toilets?	
10	Do you consider the venue accessible for the local community?	
11	Any other key issues?	

Many thanks for your continued support.

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