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Health District to Offer Free HIV Testing for National HIV Testing Day

- **WHAT:** The Clark County Health District Office of AIDS will offer free HIV testing for National HIV Testing Day. The campaign is an effort to slow the spread of the virus, and educate the public about HIV testing, counseling and treatment.
- **WHY:** HIV testing is the only way to determine a person's HIV status. Additionally, testing can help slow the spread of HIV by alerting people who are unknowingly infected. (People can transmit the virus, even if they are not exhibiting HIV symptoms). The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimate that 800,000 to 900,000 people in the United States are living with HIV. As many as 250,000 of those people do not know they are infected.
- **WHEN:** Friday, June 27, 2003 from 8 a.m. 4 p.m.
- WHERE: Ravenholt Public Health Center (oral testing available at this site only) 625 Shadow Lane, Annex A Las Vegas, NV 89106

North Las Vegas Public Health 1820 East Lake Mead, Suite F North Las Vegas, NV 89030

East Las Vegas Public Health 560 North Nellis Blvd, Suite E-12 Las Vegas, NV 89110

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