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As a result of decreased demand for COVID tests requested in the Perth-Andover area, the temporary COVID-19 Assessment Centre, established six weeks ago, will suspend services, effective Monday, March 8.

This temporary site was the only COVID-19 Assessment Centre in the province to offer drop-in testing in an effort to increase testing, but the numbers remained low, with an average of five tests per day.

People in the Perth-Andover area who request a COVID-19 test will be referred to Hartland, unless another available location is requested. Testing is also available at the Tobique Valley Community Health Centre in Plaster Rock.

Should testing demands increase, the temporary COVID-19 Assessment Centre in Perth-Andover may re-open.

Information about Horizon's COVID-19 Assessment Centres (by appointment) can be found <u>here on Horizon's website</u>.

We continue to urge anyone in New Brunswick with COVID-19 symptoms (even one mild cold-like symptom) to get tested, by visiting <u>www.gnb.ca/coronavirus</u> (click "Get Tested") or by calling Tele-Care 811.

