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Florence County Health Department now offers Nitrate and Arsenic testing for Wisconsin residents

[Florence, WI] –

Florence County Health Department knows how important safe drinking water is for you and your family which is why nitrate and arsenic testing for Wisconsin residents is now being offered as a service. We invite the public to learn about how vital clean, safe water is in daily life and its role in protecting public health and the environment now and in the future. Contaminants in our drinking water can often be odorless and colorless but may cause serious illness on individuals especially the elderly, children or immunocompromised. Do your part to assure your drinking water is safe for you and your family!

Residents are encouraged to visit the department to get a sample bottle for bacteria, nitrate and/or arsenic. Costs for sampling include \$35 for bacteria, \$40 for nitrate and arsenic or a homeowner's package is offered for \$105 for all three tests. Please call prior to dropping samples off to assure the lab analyst is on site. Water sample bottles and instructions for collection can be picked up at Florence County Health Department any time Monday thru Thursday 8:30am-4:30pm. Samples can be returned to the department Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays and it's highly recommended to call before dropping off a sample at 715-528-4837. Bacteria results will be sent to you after 24 hours of dropping off the sample while nitrate and arsenic will be resulted to you within 60 days.

For more information about well water testing, contact Amber at the Florence County Health Department at 715-528-4837, located in the Courthouse at 501 Lake Avenue. The department is open 8:30am-4:30p Monday through Thursday.

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