



**NORTH GEORGIA  
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**MAKO Medical COVID-19 Drive-thru Testing Coming to Gilmer County**  
*FREE Testing Starts Wednesday, August 18<sup>th</sup>!*

**Ellijay, GA** – MAKO Medical will begin Free COVID-19 Drive-thru Testing in Gilmer County on Wednesday, August 18<sup>th</sup> at 8 AM! The new testing site location and operations will be as follows:

**Gilmer County Health Department, Parking Lot**

28 Southside Church St., Ellijay, GA 30540

**Mondays and Wednesdays, 8 AM – 3 PM**

**Fridays, 8 AM – 12 PM**

This is PCR testing done by nasal swab to determine the presence of the virus that causes COVID-19. The operation in Ellijay is the third MAKO Medical testing site established in North Georgia through a partnership with the Georgia Department of Public Health. The other two testing sites in North Georgia operated by MAKO are in Dalton and Woodstock.

Anyone who has [COVID-19 type symptoms](#) or has been in close contact recently with a person infected with the virus needs to be tested for COVID-19, [even if they are fully vaccinated](#). There are no eligibility requirements other than having a Georgia address and registering online at <https://mako.exchange/splash/GAmakotesting/>.

Log onto the North Georgia Health District website at <https://nghd.org/news/media-releases/free-covid-19-testing-available-in-north-georgia> for more information.

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