

April 4, 2020. Mayor Michael Giordano and the North Plainfield Office of Emergency Management would like to provide additional information above what we already share on the Borough of North Plainfield webpage and Facebook. The novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic has now become widespread in the state of New Jersey and we ask you to please direct your attention to our web-based outlets which are updated regularly and to be keep the following in mind:

The information we provide to our residents come directly from our health care partners which includes the Somerset County Health Department, New Jersey Department of Health and the CDC. We do not produce or provide guidance outside of what these agencies provide, links to all these agencies are available on our webpage.

The NJ Poison Control Center and 211 have partnered with the State to provide information to the Public on COVID-19. This link will connect you with further information, which includes a self-check option if you have symptoms <https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/topics/ncov.shtml>

Many hospitals and physicians are also offering tele-medicine evaluations and assistance.

Overlook Hospital –

<https://www.atlantichealth.org/locations/virtual-visit.html>

RWJ-Somerset Hospital –

<https://www.rwjbh.org/patients-visitors/what-you-need-to-know-about-covid-19/>

HMH – JFK Hospital –

<https://www.hackensackmeridianhealth.org/covid19/>

Promo code HMH20, HMHFREE for those 65 and over.

CDC – Self Checker –

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/index.html>

All emergency response agencies are working hard to serve you and are currently working at capacity, so it is important that we make every effort to reserve these resources for true medical emergencies, so please consider these other options prior to calling 9-1-1. When in doubt, never delay calling the 9-1-1 for an emergency.

Our local Fire and EMS department does not conduct testing or offer test kits for the virus; please do not call 9-1-1 for testing.

As this virus continues to spread across our state and nation, please continue to minimize your risk of contracting and spreading it by adhering to the social distancing guidelines as recommended by the CDC.

If you are in need of additional information specific to the Borough of North Plainfield, our response or available service please contact the appropriate department or you can send an email to oeminfo@npmail.org.