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## ADVISORY ON THE SCHEDULING OF COVID-19 PCR EXIT TESTS

The Ministry of Health, Wellness and the Environment wishes to advise the public of the following relative to the scheduling of COVID-19 PCR exit screening tests:

- 1. Effective immediately, the COVID-19 Taskforce will **NOT** schedule appointments for COVID-19 PCR exit screening tests for the period October 12 to November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021.
- 2. Commitments made to those passengers who were processed on or before 12<sup>th</sup> October, 2021 and who have paid for COVID-19 PCR exit screening tests will be honoured. Such persons can have the tests administered at any of our public sites.
- 3. The Steward's Office of the Milton Cato Memorial Hospital, Modern Medical Diagnostic Centre, Buccament Polyclinic or the Revenue Offices in your district will **NOT** collect fees for COVID-19 PCR exit tests for this period.
- 4. Travellers requiring COVID-19 PCR tests after October 12, 2021 are asked to utilize the services of private laboratories to facilitate the required screening.
- 5. Students, persons traveling for medical purposes, and individuals travelling under Government-supported employment programmes (such as farm workers) are asked to request scheduling of their COVID-19 PCR exit testing via email at coronavirustaskforcesvg@gmail.com at least four (4) days before the test is to be done.

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