

# Do You Know Your HIV Status?

## Access:

- Free HIV counseling to assess whether you are at risk of having HIV
- Free HIV testing (using an oral swab) will be provided for all at risk persons.

**Starting June 28<sup>th</sup>..**  
And every fourth  
Monday of the month  
from 10am-12pm  
Walk-in, no appointments

At the  
Kendall County Health  
Department, Room 127  
811 W. John St., Yorkville

**All services are free and confidential.**



Testing and Counseling provided by  
the Renz Prevention Center, Elgin

Phone: 847-697-1221

[WWW.RENZCENTER.COM](http://WWW.RENZCENTER.COM)

For More information call the  
Health Department, (630) 553-9100

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## Kendall County Health Department to Offer Free HIV Testing and Counseling

Kendall County Health Department will be hosting the Renz Prevention Center of Elgin once a month for free HIV testing and counseling.

Starting Monday, June 28<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am the Renz Prevention Center will be able to provide a free HIV risk screening, test, and related counseling at the Kendall County Health Department, 811 W. John St. in Yorkville. The Health Department has always had to refer individuals out of the county for this service.

The confidential service will be provided on the fourth Monday of every month from 10:00 am to noon on a walk-in basis only. Individuals need not be Kendall County residents to access the service. Testing will be done for at risk individuals using an oral swab- no blood draws.

According to Donna Sperlakis, Community Information Coordinator for the Health Department, "June 27<sup>th</sup> is National HIV testing day so it made sense to start the service on the 28th in promotion of this national initiative". National HIV testing day is a unique opportunity to send the message to those at risk that there are powerful reasons for learning ones HIV status. The CDC estimates that there are approximately 250,000 Americans living within HIV but unaware of their status. Voluntary HIV counseling and testing is a critical first step in taking control and responsibility over one's health.

More information about the HIV testing can be obtained by calling the Kendall County Health Department at (630) 553-9100 or on the web at [www.kendallhealth.org](http://www.kendallhealth.org). To learn more about the Renz Prevention Center and the services they provide, call or visit the web, (847)-697-1221, [www.renzcenter.org](http://www.renzcenter.org).

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