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Free STD testing at South Alabama CARES

Personnel from the STD Clinic at the Mobile County Health Department will be offering free, confidential STD testing Saturday, May 29, at South Alabama CARES (Community AIDS Resources, Education & Support), 2054 Dauphin St. Services include testing for HIV, gonorrhea, hepatitis, chlamydia, and syphilis. Clinic hours are 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

According to Dr. Bert Eichold, Health Officer for the Mobile County Health Department, 250,000 of the one million people living with HIV/AIDS in the United States are unaware of their status.

“We encourage anyone who is sexually active to discuss testing for HIV/AIDS and other STDs with their health care provider, even if they have no symptoms,” Eichold says.

The STD Clinic at the Mobile County health Department also offers confidential testing and medications at no charge from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday. It is located at 251 N. Bayou Street. There is a \$1 registration fee and a picture ID is required. For more information, call the STD Clinic at 690-8153.

South Alabama CARES is a not-for-profit agency that provides support, assistance, education, and advocacy for people affected by HIV and AIDS, and HIV prevention education. For more information, call 471-5277.

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