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Greater Boston Chamber Announces Partnership with Project Beacon for COVID-19 Testing Solutions

The Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce announces a partnership today with Project Beacon to make additional testing available to employers and institutions. Project Beacon is founded by the Broad Institute, F Prime Capital, and GV focused on providing low cost, end-to-end COVID 19 testing solutions. Project Beacon is a social benefit organization focused on helping to increase the capacity, availability, accessibility, and affordability of COVID-19 testing in Massachusetts. It has no profit motive and any excess revenues over costs will be used to support public needs or, at the end of the project, donated to charity.

Employers can work with Project Beacon to implement a testing regimen, set up a site, or develop a testing strategy for employees. Costs range from \$40 to \$90 per test depending on the scope of testing services involved. The tests are processed by labs at the Broad Institute, and test results are generally provided within 24 hours.

"In addition to limiting COVID spread, widespread testing will help employees feel safe when they return to the workplace," said James E. Rooney, Chamber President and CEO. "We're proud to partner with Project Beacon because it leverages the world-class Broad Institute to get us one step closer to the 'anywhere, anytime' standard for testing."

"Project Beacon is thrilled to partner with the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce," said Muz Mansuri, Executive Director of Project Beacon. "Expanding testing to employers is key to both containing and recovering from the COVID pandemic. This partnership will enable us to help employers in Boston access the testing they need."

Employers interested in learning more can contact Kevin Chu at info@beacontesting.com.

About Project Beacon

Our mission is to help the state and its residents safely reopen society and return to work, while reducing disparities by ensuring equitable access to testing across Massachusetts. Project Beacon is a social benefit organization focused on helping to increase the capacity, availability, accessibility, and affordability of COVID-19 testing in Massachusetts. We have no profit motive and any excess revenues over costs will be used to support public needs or, at the end of the project, donated to charity. Defeating COVID-19 will ultimately require a range of solutions, drawing on the expertise of academia, biotech, the private sector, and the government. Project Beacon aims to help in this vital challenge. Learn more at beacontesting.com.

About the Greater Boston Chamber

We are the convener, voice and advocate of our region's business community, committed to making Greater Boston the best place for all businesses and all people to thrive. We help our members and Greater Boston succeed by convening and connecting the business community; researching, developing and advocating for public policies that contribute to our region's economic success; and providing comprehensive leadership development programs designed to grow strong business and civic leaders. Learn more at BostonChamber.com.