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NEWS RELEASE

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Lambton Public Health encourages residents to test their well water supply Wednesday, April 24, 2024

Point Edward, ON – Lambton Public Health (LPH) is reminding residents with private wells to regularly test their water supply to ensure that it is safe to drink.

Recent high-water levels, flood conditions, and saturated grounds could allow harmful bacteria to enter the drinking water, rendering it unsafe for consumption.

“Testing your well water three to four times a year, as well as after floods helps ensure that bacteria like E. coli is not present in your drinking water,” said Health Protection Supervisor, Lori Lucas.

“If you haven’t routinely tested your well or it has been impacted by recent flooding events, we encourage you to use bottled water for daily use including drinking, making infant formula or juices, cooking, making ice, washing fruits and vegetables, and brushing teeth. Alternatively, you can boil your water rapidly for at least one minute before use.”

Bacteria testing and water sampling kits are available for free. Pick-up and drop-off locations include:

- **Lambton Public Health**, 160 Exmouth St., Point Edward
Phone: 519-383-8331 or 1-800-667-1839
Monday – Thursday: 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Friday: 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
- **Charlotte Eleanor Englehart Hospital**, 450 Blanche St., Petrolia
Phone: 519-882-4325
Monday – Wednesday: 8:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Rural residents may be closer to:

- **London Public Health Lab**, 1200 Commissioners Rd E
[Additional details for this location](#)

For more information on sampling and testing of well water, contact LPH at 519-383-8331 or toll-free at 1-800-667-1839.

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