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**PRESS RELEASE**

**WELL WATER TESTING**

Do you know when you last tested your well water? For our residents in Hillsdale, Montvale, Old Tappan, and Upper Saddle River, the Northwest Bergen Regional Health Commission is pleased to offer our residents with private wells, a low cost well water testing program. If you have not tested your well water recently, why not do it now? State recommendations are to test for bacteria once a year and for volatile organics every three years.

Our program includes tests for volatile organics (chemicals related to cancer), lead, coliform bacteria, nitrates (an indicator of fertilizer and sewage contamination) and arsenic in home well water. Results will be mailed to the homeowner and are confidential. Test kits include water containers for all five tests with easy to follow instructions.

The cost of the five tests is \$200.00, payable in advance to N.W.B.R.H.C. Residents can pick up the kits at our office, located at 22 W. Prospect St., Waldwick, anytime. We are on W. Prospect St. between Franklin Turnpike and the railroad tracks. The office is open Monday –Friday, 8:30-4:00.

Testing samples will be accepted monthly on the first Monday of each month. Residents return kits to our office in Waldwick, from 8:30-10:00 A.M. This program is NOT intended for use during home sales. It does NOT comply with the Private Well Testing Act. For further information, call (201) 445-7217.

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