COVID-19 Update
2 Deaths and 18 New Cases Reported, Outbreak at NC State Veterans Nursing Home

FAYETTEVILLE – Two Cumberland County residents have died from complications associated with the coronavirus and 18 new COVID-19 cases have been reported, according to the Department of Public Health. Cumberland County's case count is now 529 with 15 deaths.

 "We extend our deepest sympathies to the families and friends who are grieving the loss of their loved ones," said Health Director Dr. Jennifer Green.

One of the patients was a resident of the N.C. State Veterans Nursing Home in Fayetteville where there is an outbreak with 19 total cases involving eight staff members and 11 residents. This outbreak is one of three ongoing outbreaks in congregate living settings in Cumberland County reported by the N.C. Department of Health and Human Services on its website. The other two are at Village Green Health and Rehabilitation Center and the Cumberland County Detention Center. In a congregate living setting, a COVID-19 outbreak is defined as two or more cases.

The other patient who died was in their late 40s and had underlying medical conditions.

The NCDHHS website includes statewide data on hospitalizations, daily testing numbers, case numbers and percentage of cases per 10,000 residents.

Testing
The Health Department collected 38 testing samples today during its mobile clinic in the parking lot of Manna Church on Cliffdale Road. Testing will resume on Tuesday and Wednesday, May 26 and 27. Test collection will be conducted by appointment only. Walk-ins will not be accepted. An online self-assessment and appointment portal is posted on the department's COVID-19 Testing and Collection webpage, which includes information on providers that are conducting testing for coronavirus in Cumberland County.

Staying Updated
Cumberland County has made it easy for you to stay updated on the latest information about COVID-19. You can visit our COVID-19 webpage, which has a list of COVID-19-related closures and service changes. The county is also sharing important information on its Facebook, Twitter and Instagram accounts.

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