



# News Release

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## ***COVID-19 Update*** **157 New Cases, Everyone Must Practice 3 Ws**

FAYETTEVILLE –The Department of Public Health reports 157 new COVID-19 cases and since Thursday, July 2, Cumberland County’s case count is now 1,484.

### **Data Breakdown**

In Cumberland County there have been 41 COVID-19 related deaths since the onset of this pandemic.

- 90% of deaths had a comorbidity
- 64% lived in a congregate living setting
- 68% were hospitalized
- 83% were males
- 80.5% were age 65 and older
- 56% were African American

### **Cases Continue to Increase**

[The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services \(NCDHHS\) reporting the state’s highest one-day number of laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 cases on Friday, July 3 with 2,099 cases reported.](#)

To slow the spread of COVID-19 everyone must practice the [3 Ws](#)—wearing a face covering over your nose and mouth, waiting six feet apart and washing your hands often.

### **Testing in Cumberland**

The Cumberland County Department of Public Health is offering drive-thru testing on Tuesdays and Thursdays while supplies last and staffing is available. [Visit our Testing and Collection page to schedule an appointment.](#)

On Tuesdays, test collection will be conducted at Manna Church, 5117 Cliffdale Road, Fayetteville, NC 28314 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

On Thursdays, test collection will be conducted at Cumberland County Health Department, 1235 Ramsey Street, Fayetteville, NC, 28301 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Testing is free and available for any individual over the age of 13 who meets the following criteria:

- Any individual older than 13 experiencing COVID-19 symptoms

- Individuals without symptoms but who have been in close contact (within 6 feet for 10 minutes or longer) with someone who tested positive COVID-19 in the last 14 days. If you are not having symptoms, you should wait 6 days after your last exposure to get tested.
- Regardless of symptoms, anyone older than 13, at higher risk of exposure or at higher risk for severe disease
  - Persons who live or work in a long-term care facility, homeless shelter, correctional facility, or migrant farmworker camp
  - People age 65 and older
  - People with underlying health conditions who are at high risk for severe illness
  - Persons from historically marginalized populations
  - Healthcare workers or first responders (e.g. EMS, law enforcement, fire department, military)
  - Front-line and essential workers (grocery store clerks, gas station attendants, childcare staff, etc.) in settings where social distancing is difficult to maintain.
  - Individuals who have attended protests, rallies, or other mass gatherings in crowds where it is difficult to practice effective social distancing.

### **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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