



# News Release

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## ***COVID-19 Update*** **Cumberland County Grows to 69 Total Positive Cases**

FAYETTEVILLE – Cumberland County has **69** positive COVID-19 cases, according to Health Director Dr. Jennifer Green.

Earlier in the day, the department reported the first death of a Cumberland County resident who died in Georgia on April 6. Of the cases, 36 are men and 33 are women. About 51% of the patients are African American. The race of 19 patients is not known at this time.

“In our continuing efforts to reduce the spread of COVID-19, there is new guidance from the Centers for Disease Control that suggests the use of cloth face coverings in places where it is difficult to physically distance yourself from others. It’s important to remember cloth facemasks are most effective in helping people who may have the virus and do not yet know it from spreading it to others. When using the cloth facemasks, you should still practice social distancing and good hand hygiene,” Green said.

The County has created a COVID-19 Dashboard that includes a zip code map, as well as gender and racial information based on available data. The dashboard is posted on the County’s website at [co.cumberland.nc.us/COVID19](https://co.cumberland.nc.us/COVID19) and on the [Cumberland County Coronavirus Response page](#).

Updates are also provided on the County’s Facebook page.

### **Commissioners Meet Thursday at 1 p.m.**

The Board of Commissioners will meet Thursday, April 9, at 1 p.m. for their Agenda Session. The meeting agenda may be viewed on the County website at [co.cumberland.nc.us](https://co.cumberland.nc.us).

In order to comply with the N. C. Governor’s Executive Order 121, Section 3.A.1., this meeting will be available to the public and media live via the Cumberland County website ([co.cumberland.nc.us](https://co.cumberland.nc.us)), Facebook page ([facebook.com/CumberlandNC](https://facebook.com/CumberlandNC)), Youtube page ([youtube.com/user/CumberlandCountyNC/videos](https://youtube.com/user/CumberlandCountyNC/videos)), and on Fayetteville Cumberland Education Channel (FCE-TV) Spectrum Cable Channel 5. Four of the commissioners will participate through the GoToMeeting platform.

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