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COVID-19 Update

225 New Cases, Alternative Options for Halloween

FAYETTEVILLE – The Department of Public Health reports 225 new COVID-19 cases and one additional death since the last report on Tuesday, Oct. 27. Cumberland County's case count is now 7,122 with 102 deaths.

Cumberland County currently has 125 cases per 100,000 residents with 7.4% of those tested returning positive for COVID-19. The daily average of positive cases in Cumberland County is 52.1.

According to the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (NCDHHS) COVID-19 dashboard, of the deaths in Cumberland County:

- 81.8% were age 65 and older
- 68.7% were male
- 52.5% were African American
- 2% were Hispanic
- 72.7% were hospitalized
- 83.8% had at least one comorbidity
- 52.5% lived in a congregate living setting

Celebrate Halloween with Safe Alternatives

Cumberland County continues to see increased daily positive COVID-19 cases and wants to remind residents, ahead of the Halloween weekend, to continue practicing their 3Ws to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Any scenario in which many people gather poses a risk for COVID-19 transmission. The NCDHHS has guidance on how to safely celebrate Halloween. It is strongly recommended that alternative Halloween activities, instead of the traditional door-to-door trick-or-treating, be increased as much as possible.

Residents are encouraged to offer no or low touch trick-or-treating by lining up individually wrapped goodie bags for families to grab and go while continuing to social distance (such as at the end of a driveway or at the edge of a yard).

View a list of low, moderate and high-risk activities from NCDHSS.

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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