

Situation Update

Wednesday, September 30, 2020

* Effective Friday, May 22th the Daily Situational Updates will transition to <u>Weekly Situational</u> <u>Updates</u> provided on Wednesday of each week. Additional information may be shared through Facebook postings throughout the week as needed. To view previous updates visit the Pasquotank-Camden-Elizabeth City Emergency Management Website at:

https://www.pasquotankcountync.org/news

Please recognize that this information is subject to change within minutes of being published

County	Confirmed Cases	Active Cases	Recovered	Deaths
Pasquotank	711	76	602	33
Camden	116	10	103	3

Date:	N.C. Cases:	N.C. Deaths:	N.C. Completed Tests:	Currently Hospitalized:
September 30:	210,632	3,532	3,029,942	956
September 23:	196,501	3,316	2,842,427	912
Weekly Impact:	14,131	216	187,515	44
Percentage Increase:	7%	6%	6%	5%

Breakdown by county is available at: <u>https://www.ncdhhs.gov/covid-19-case-count-</u> nc?fbclid=IwAR1yOdDdvZ1LNEDwr-XITc-gQGYQ1x4qSCj4IX5OEkgWOSqEQOZSOC_0cto#by-counties

Date:	VA Cases:	VA Deaths:	Total Hospitalizations
September 30:	148,271	3,208	11,041
September 23:	142,590	3,089	10,718
Weekly Impact:	5,681	119	323
Percentage Increase:	4%	4%	3%

Facility	Positive Cases	Staff	Inmates	Recovered	Deaths
Pasquotank Correctional Institution	46*	5	22	19	0

*Nineteen of these cases are the result of inmates being transferred from other Correctional Facilities prior April 7th. These 46 cases are included in the test count of 711 for Pasquotank County. https://www.ncdps.gov/our-organization/adult-correction/prisons/prisons-info-covid-19#ELCFAQ

Facility	Positive Cases	Residents	Staff	Recovered	Deaths
Waterbrooke	25	19	6	17	7

Closed Outbreak

Facility	Positive Cases	Residents	Staff	Recovered	Deaths
Elizabeth City Health & Rehab	71	50	21**	56*	14 residents***

THE OUTBREAK AT ELIZABETH CITY HEALTH & REHAB IS NOW CLOSED. NCDHHS CONSIDERS AN OUTBREAK OVER IF THERE IS NO EVIDENCE OF CONTINUED TRANSMISSION WITHIN THE FACILITY. THIS IS MEASURED AS 28 DAYS AFTER THE LATEST DATE OF ONSET IN A SYMPTOMATIC PERSON OR THE LATEST DATE OF SPECIMEN COLLECTION IN AN ASYMPTOMATIC PERSON, WHICHEVER IS LATER.

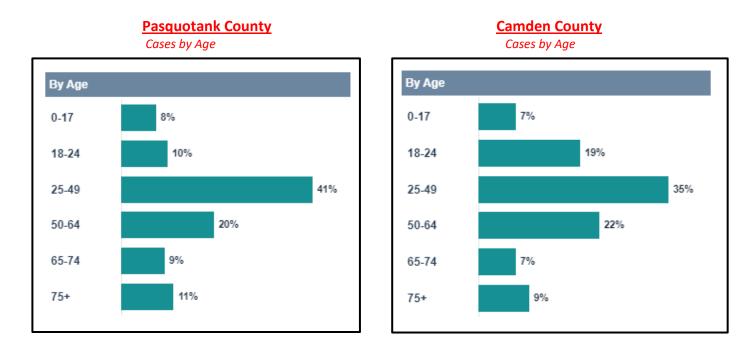
*Recovered cases include residents previously admitted from other facilities. These cases are included in the test count of 711 for Pasquotank County

******Thirteen Staff are residents of Pasquotank County.

***Death count of fourteen (14) is included in the total number of thirty-three (33) for Pasquotank County

New Outbreak

Facility	Positive Cases	Residents	Staff	Recovered	Deaths
Elizabeth City Health & Rehab	21	11	10	0	2



- COVID-19 Patients Presumed to be Recovered is updated every Monday by 4 p.m. The estimated number of patients presumed to be recovered from symptoms from COVID-19 is used in combination with other measures to provide a general sense of how many people with COVID-19 have likely recovered from symptoms. September 28, 2020 Patients Presumed to be Recovered = 184,422
- United States and Global Case Totals are available at: <u>https://www.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/index.html#/bda7594740fd4029942346</u> <u>7b48e9ecf6</u>
- New John Hopkins Map focuses on US and pulls in county and state demographics. <u>https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/us-map</u>
- > Watch live COVID-19 briefings as well as view previous briefings at https://www.unctv.org/coronavirus/

- September 30th Governor Cooper issued <u>Executive Order 169</u> moving North Carolina into Phase 3 of easing restrictions effective October 2nd at 5 p.m. and continues for three weeks through October 23. Its new provisions include:
 - Large outdoor venues with seating greater than 10,000 may operate with 7% occupancy for spectators.
 - Smaller outdoor entertainment venues, like arenas or amphitheaters, may operate outdoors at 30% of outdoor capacity, or 100 guests, whichever is less.
 - Movie theaters and conference centers may open indoor spaces to 30% of capacity, or 100 guests, whichever is less.
 - Bars may operate outdoors at 30% of outdoor capacity, or 100 guests, whichever is less.
 - Amusement parks may open at 30% occupancy, outdoor attractions only.
 - The limits on mass gatherings will remain at 25 people indoors and 50 people outdoors.
 - The 11 pm curfew on alcohol sales for in-person consumption in locations such as restaurants and outdoor bars will be extended to October 23.

View Frequently Asked Questions for Executive Order 169.

- N.C. Assistive Technology Expo: On Friday, 16 Oct. from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., the North Carolina Assistive Technology Program (NCATP) will be hosting a One-day Virtual Vendor Fair. This virtual vendor fair is intended for individuals with disabilities, family members/caregivers, employers, senior living providers, students, therapists, and educators, as well as local, state and national resources providing supports to individuals. <u>View</u> <u>Additional information and AT Expo Registration</u>.
- Due to the efforts of North Carolinians to slow the spread, coupled with our strong infection prevention and control requirements, our state's key metrics remain stable. This has enabled our partners with the NC Department of Health and Human Services to issue a <u>Secretarial Order</u> updating visitation guidelines that allow for indoor visitation in nursing homes with no COVID-19 cases in the last 14 days, and in counties with a percent positive testing rate of less than 10%. This sensible approach is in line with <u>guidance</u> from the federal Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services and reflects the state's dimmer switch approach to responsible easing of restrictions. Read more <u>here</u>.
- NC Medicaid Surpasses 1 Million Telehealth Visits Since Beginning of COVID-19 Pandemic: Tuesday, September 29th The NC Department of Health and Human Services (NCDHHS) <u>announced a milestone</u> in the use of telehealth and telephonic visits by NC Medicaid enrollees during the COVID-19 pandemic. Since establishing telehealth flexibility policies in early March, NC Medicaid has processed claims for approximately more than 1.1 million telehealth and 350,000 telephonic visits.
- The increasing adoption and familiarity of telehealth has resulted in Medicaid creating permanent policy changes to make telehealth an enduring component of person-centered health care delivery in North Carolina. <u>Telehealth policy changes Open PDF</u> are open for public comment through October 8, 2020. Comments can be submitted to <u>medicaid.public.comment@dhhs.nc.gov</u>



To meet the increased need, Food Bank of the Albemarle is now distributing an additional 20% of food to all mobile pantries and active food pantries. It takes volunteers to help with these efforts, both at the Food Bank and Mobile Pantries in the counties, to meet this need and feed people every day. Please consider volunteering with the Food Bank of the Albemarle and the Mobile Food Pantries.

In addition to the regular volunteer hours between 8:30 am and 5:00 pm there are also some evening and weekend hours available. Please visit: https://afoodbank.org/volunteer/ to see how to get started volunteering with the Food Bank of the Albemarle. Your help will be greatly appreciated!

- According to Feeding America, the increase in the number of people turning to food banks for help nationwide is 60% or more on average. Please continue to support the Albemarle Food Bank. This is an important facility which is working hard to support the residents of our region who have found themselves with little or no income and are in need of additional assistance. While they are doing a great job, they are seeing such a surge in usage that they could use some additional support.
- NCDHHS COVID-19 Dashboard Updates: numerous valuable resources have been updated or newly-added to NCDHHS's COVID-19 <u>dashboard</u>.
 - New <u>Clusters in Child Care and School Settings Report</u> is now available
 - Updated Ongoing Outbreaks in Congregate Living Settings is now available
 - Updated Risk Factors for Severe Illness Report is now available
 - New Outbreaks and Clusters page is now available
 - Updated Weekly Outbreaks in Congregate Settings is now available

The full data dashboard with all of our metrics and reports is available here: <u>https://covid19.ncdhhs.gov/dashboard.</u> Data is now available for download from the NC COVID-19 Data Dashboard on the <u>About the Data page</u>. Visit the page to learn about the available downloadable data.

COVID-19 testing is available for those meeting criteria by appointment only at local health departments. Residents are encouraged to call their primary care provider for an assessment or information on testing availability before calling the local health department. If someone does not have a primary care provider, ARHS does offer primary care services. Testing is available at Pasquotank (252-338-4400) and Camden (252-338-4460) Health Departments on Thursdays 8:30 – 10:00 am. For more information on criteria for COVID-19 testing or appointments, call 252-338-WELL/9355 or your local health department directly at the above phone number.

- The COVID-19 pandemic will add additional challenges and changes to the 2020 hurricane season, which runs until Nov. 30. <u>Find out what you need to know to be prepared.</u>
- The N.C. Inclusive Disaster Recovery (NCIDR) network has developed a <u>living document</u> listing Resources and Engagement Opportunities for organizations serving historically under-resourced and marginalized communities during the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Resou	rces for Families
	Statewide COVID-19 Website, NCDHHS COVID-19 Website
Í Ý	NCDHHS Services for Families (Ongoing and Emergency Benefits)
0	Mental Health Hotlines Available 24/7 Hope4NC for all North Carolinians (1-855-587-3463) Hope4Healers for front line workers (919-226-2002) Resources for helping families cope
C	Child Care Hotline: 1-888-600-1685, available M-F from 8am-5pm
R	Families who need food assistance can text "FOODNC" or "COMIDA" to 877-877 or look at interactive map to locate nearby meal sites

- > Resources for Small Businesses and the Agriculture Industry are available here.
- > N.C. Pandemic Recovery Office
- Status of NCDMV offices
- Court calendar
- > North Carolina state parks
- Election 2020 updates

View all NC Executive Orders at: <u>https://www.nc.gov/covid-19/covid-19-orders</u>