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ALBEMARLE REGIONAL HEALTH SERVICES PROVIDES UPDATE ON REGIONAL VACCINE CLINICS
Updated COVID-19 vaccine counts, cases, and outbreaks

Elizabeth City, NC – Albemarle Regional Health Services (ARHS) is providing updated information on COVID-19 vaccines, lab confirmed positive COVID-19 cases, and facility outbreaks as of 1 p.m. Friday, June 11, 2021 in addition to the weekly surveillance report (attached).

As part of North Carolina's effort to encourage more North Carolinians to receive COVID-19 vaccines, Governor Roy Cooper announced \$4 Million Summer Cash and College Tuition drawings to motivate those who have not yet been vaccinated — and thank those who have. The \$4 Million Summer Cash and Summer Cash 4 College Drawings will run from June 23 through Aug. 4. All North Carolina residents 12 and older who have been vaccinated with at least one dose are eligible, some restrictions may apply. Those vaccinated on or after June 10, will be entered twice for each drawing increasing the chance of winning for the newly vaccinated. Drawings will take place every other week on Wednesdays with the first drawing on June 23. Entries will be drawn from the state's COVID-19 vaccination records.

To learn more about the \$4 Million Summer Cash and Summer Cash 4 College Drawings click here [SummerVaxCash.com](https://www.summervaxcash.com)

"This is an exciting opportunity for our state and community and a great way to reward those already vaccinated and encourage those who have not received their vaccine yet," states R. Battle Betts, Jr., MPA, ARHS Health Director. "The chance to win a cash prize is great motivation and we hope to see an increase in vaccine numbers across the region."

ARHS is continuing to accept vaccine appointments for first and second dose Moderna and Pfizer, along with Johnson and Johnson, at each of our local health departments. Appointments will be available to residents of the eight county region who are 12 and older.

Pasquotank County Health Department 252-338-4400	Perquimans County Health Department 252-426-2100	Camden County Health Department 252-338-4460	Chowan County Health Department 252-482-6003
Currituck County Health Department 252-232-2271	Bertie County Health Department 252-794-5322	Gates County Health Department 252-357-1380	Hertford County Health Department 252-862-4054

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Total First Doses of ARHS Vaccine Administered – 44,506

County	Vaccine Administered	County	Vaccine Administered
Pasquotank	10,889	Currituck	8,184
Perquimans	4,377	Bertie	5,391
Camden	3,236	Gates	3,148
Chowan	4,572	Hertford	4,709

Total Second Doses of ARHS Vaccine Administered – 41,565

County	Vaccine Administered	County	Vaccine Administered
Pasquotank	9,594	Currituck	7,790
Perquimans	3,863	Bertie	5,098
Camden	3,144	Gates	3,338
Chowan	4,162	Hertford	4,576

ARHS COVID-19 Cases

County	# Lab Confirmed Cases	# Active Cases	# Recovered Cases	Total # of Deaths
Pasquotank	3,438	9	3,344	85
Perquimans	1,029	4	1,014	11
Camden	685	0	680	5
Chowan	1,487	5	1,451	31
Currituck	1,574	0	1,558	16
Bertie	1,791	1	1,744	46
Gates	748	5	730	13
Hertford	2,113	2	2,047	64
Totals	12,865	26	12,568	271

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There are two COVID-19 related deaths to report at this time; one in Pasquotank and one in Chowan. Both deaths are 65 or older and neither are affiliated with a long-term care facility.

Although we are in the vaccine phase of the pandemic, COVID-19 testing is still available for those meeting criteria by appointment only at the local health departments across the region. ARHS encourages residents 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 home, ARHS does offer primary care services. All tests will be completed through a curbside screening clinic at the local health department. For more information on criteria for COVID-19 testing or appointments, call 252-338-WELL/9355 or your local health department directly.

ARHS is collaborating with OptumServe to provide additional, no-cost COVID-19 testing sites in Bertie, Hertford, Gates, and Chowan counties. Typically testing is available Monday, Thursday, and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Tuesday and Friday from 1 – 5 p.m.; however, times may change so please call or check the website prior to going to a site. You may check availability and register to make an appointment for testing by visiting <https://lhi.care/covidtesting> or by calling (877) 562-4850.

ARHS is continuing to ask our community citizens to be mindful in practicing preventive and safety measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Please remember these precautions:

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after going to the bathroom; before eating; and after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing. If soap and water are not readily available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol. Always wash hands with soap and water if hands are visibly dirty.
- Practice social distancing; stay at least six feet away from others, avoid unnecessary travel, avoid handshakes, hugs and other close contact.
- Wear a cloth face covering in public when not fully vaccinated.

For more information about COVID-19, visit these sites:

Albemarle Regional Health Services - <http://www.arhs-nc.org/> or call **252-338-WELL** or **1-833-640-SHOT**

North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services - <https://www.ncdhhs.gov/>

Center for Disease Control - <https://www.cdc.gov/>

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