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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, July 9, 2021 in addition to the weekly surveillance report (attached).

"While we continue to see lower COVID -19 cases in the region, there are areas of the state that are seeing an increase in active cases, especially among individuals who are not vaccinated," states R. Battle Betts, Jr., MPA, health director. "It is important to get vaccinated if you have not already done so to keep our cases low and protect our loved ones. Those who have not yet received their COVID-19 vaccines must continue to practice the 3 W's – wearing a mask, waiting six feet from others and washing hands often – to protect themselves, their families and their communities from the virus. In addition, stay home if you are sick, cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, and clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces. These preventive and safety measures will help protect us from COVID-19 and other common viruses."

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

Total First Doses of ARHS Vaccine Administered – 45,002

County	Vaccine Administered	County	Vaccine Administered
Pasquotank	11,051	Currituck	8,235
Perquimans	4,426	Bertie	5,435
Camden	3,290	Gates	3,211
Chowan	4,617	Hertford	4,737

Total Second Doses of ARHS Vaccine Administered – 42,371

County	Vaccine Administered	County	Vaccine Administered
Pasquotank	9,816	Currituck	7,906
Perquimans	3,931	Bertie	5,182
Camden	3,230	Gates	3,447
Chowan	4,219	Hertford	4,640

ARHS COVID-19 Cases

County	# Lab Confirmed Cases	# Active Cases	# Recovered Cases	Total # of Deaths
Pasquotank	3,461	10	3,365	56
Perquimans	1,033	0	1,021	12
Camden	696	1	689	6
Chowan	1,491	6	1,449	36
Currituck	1,585	5	1,564	16
Bertie	1,799	4	1,749	46
Gates	749	1	735	13
Hertford	2,117	4	2,049	64
Totals	12,931	31	12,621	279

ARHS is reporting one COVID-19 related death in Pasquotank County in the 65 and older age range. This death is affiliated with the most recent outbreak at Elizabeth City Health & Rehab. ARHS is also continuing to monitor the facility outbreak at Elizabeth City Health and Rehabilitation. Currently there are 15 residents and 3 staff persons with lab-confirmed positive results.

COVID-19 testing is still available by appointments at the local health departments across the region. Tests will be completed through a curbside screening clinic. To schedule an appointment call your local health department directly.

ARHS is collaborating with OptumServe to provide additional, no-cost COVID-19 testing sites in Bertie and Hertford counties. Typically testing is available Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Tuesday and Friday from 1-5 p.m.; however, times and days 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 <u>https://lhi.care/covidtesting</u> or by calling (877) 562-4850.

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 - <u>https://www.ncdhhs.gov/</u>

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

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