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ALBEMARLE REGIONAL HEALTH SERVICES TO OFFER MODERNA BOOSTER DOSE CLINICS
Updates to Regional Case Counts

Elizabeth City, NC – Albemarle Regional Health Services (ARHS) will be offering Moderna booster shot clinics only across the region during the first two weeks of November. The Moderna COVID-19 booster shot is recommended for individuals who received their second dose at least six months ago and who are at high risk for severe illness or exposure based on their age, profession, living setting or health conditions.

The following SHOULD receive a Moderna Booster 6 months or more after completing their primary series:

- 65 years or older
- 18 years or older AND reside in a long-term care setting
- 50-64 with certain underlying medical conditions

The following MAY receive a Moderna Booster 6 months or more after completing their primary series:

- 18-49 years with underlying medical conditions
- 18-64 years at increased risk for exposure and transmission because of occupational or institutional setting

For further information about eligibility click here: <https://www.cdc.gov/media/releases/2021/p1021-covid-booster.html>

"COVID-19 booster shots are an important tool to provide additional protection against COVID-19," states R. Battle Betts, Jr., MPA, ARHS Health Director. "I encourage anyone who is eligible to get their booster. Booster shots are available anywhere COVID-19 vaccines are available. People do not need a doctor's note to get a booster shot and may self-attest to eligibility. We encourage individuals to speak with your doctor or healthcare professional if you have questions about booster doses."

ARHS clinics are for Moderna booster doses only. Booster doses are for individuals living in the ARHS eight county region. Please bring your vaccine card with you to the drive-thru clinic so staff can verify your previous vaccine series. In addition, please do not arrive to clinic sites prior to 8:30 am.

If you do not have your vaccine card, or would like to receive a different type of booster dose, please make an appointment at your local health department.

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MODERNA BOOSTER DOSE CLINIC SCHEDULE

County	Date	Location
Gates	November 1, 2021 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.	Gates County Health Department 29 Medical Center Rd. Gates, NC 27937
Camden	November 2, 2021 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.	Camden County Library 104 Investors Way Camden, NC 27921
Pasquotank	November 3, 2021 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.	Elizabeth City Aviation Commerce Park 1049 Consolidated Rd. Elizabeth City, NC 27909
Hertford	November 3, 2021 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.	Ahoskie Creek Amphitheater 125 Edgewood Dr. Ahoskie, NC 27910
Chowan	November 4, 2021 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.	American Legion 1317 W. Queen St. Edenton, NC 27932
Perquimans	November 8, 2021 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.	Perquimans Recreation Center 310 S. Granby St. Hertford, NC 27944
Currituck	November 9, 2021 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.	Maple Park 170 Maple Parkway, Maple, NC 27956
Bertie	November 10, 2021 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.	Bertie County Recreation Complex 1538 South King St. Windsor, NC 27983

ARHS is continuing to accept vaccine appointments for Moderna, Pfizer, and Johnson and Johnson. Appointments will be available to residents of the eight county region who are 12 and older. Appointments for third dose vaccines for moderately to severely immunocompromised individuals living in the eight-county region are being accepted for Moderna and Pfizer. ARHS is also accepting appointments for booster doses for Pfizer, and will begin accepting appointments for Moderna and Johnson and Johnson boosters next week.

Please note, while Johnson and Johnson has recently been approved for booster doses, it is recommended for all individuals 18 years and older two months after the receipt of the initial Johnson and Johnson dose.

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In addition to the booster dose clinic schedule, ARHS is also providing an update of COVID cases across the region. These numbers reflect data as of 1pm on Tuesday, October 26, 2021.

ARHS COVID-19 Cases

County	# Lab Confirmed Cases	# Active Cases	# Recovered Cases	Total # of Deaths
Pasquotank	5,219	92	5,020	107
Perquimans	1,544	32	1,495	17
Camden	1,132	26	1,098	8
Chowan	2,293	39	2,212	42
Currituck	2,723	52	2,645	26
Bertie	2,464	24	2,387	53
Gates	1,085	14	1,052	19
Hertford	2,842	24	2,747	71
Totals	19,302	303	18,656	343

“It’s been over two months since we have had active cases this low across the region,” states Betts. “My hope is that we continue to see cases steadily decline and we can move forward to brighter days. Looking forward to the holiday season, we want to safely return to normal activities and spending time with friends and family. Let’s continue to do our part by getting 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 (7468)**

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

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

For more information, please contact Amy Underhill, at 252-338-4448 or aunderhill@arhs-nc.org.

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