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We're striving for a healthier Hyde*

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CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

For immediate release

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As of today, Hyde County is reporting a total case count of 126. Of this total, 1 is an active case, 120 have recovered, and 5 are deaths. There have been 2 more deaths since the last update. We offer our sincerest condolences to those who have lost their loved ones. Our prayers are for comfort and peace.

Active cases have dropped significantly. This is because many of the COVID-19 patients recovered at the same time. New cases over the past week have trended downward as well. These are all good things; however we must not let our guard down. Please continue to wear facial coverings, socially distance by at least 6 feet, and wash your hands. Avoid large crowds as well. Thank you to those who are complying. Your efforts are not in vain.

Please remember, the Health Department tests anyone who suspects they are sick with COVID-19 or has been in contact with someone who has the virus. We also test those who request testing even without symptoms. There are no out of pocket fees to individuals, but we do ask if you have insurance, Medicaid, Medicare, you bring your card with you for testing. We also ask that you call for an appointment as we do not see walk in clients.

Related to testing, there will be a drive-thru testing event in Fairfield at the Fairfield United Methodist Church on Tuesday, September 29 starting at 4:00 and lasting until the last appointment is seen. Appointments are required and can be obtained by calling 252-926-4397 or 252-926-4382. Again, there is no out of pocket expense to you, but if you have insurance, please bring a photo ID and your insurance card.

As always, the Hyde County Health Department remains available to the public to answer questions and provide education. We can be reached at 252-926-4399 Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. For 24/7 on-call services, dial 1-866-462-3821, the Coronavirus Hotline.

Get your information from reliable sources, such as:

- CDC, www.cdc.gov/Coronavirus
- NC Division of Health and Human Services, www.ncdhhs.gov,
- Hyde County Health Department, www.hydehealth.com, 252-926-4399

Practice the 3 Ws - Wear, Wait, Wash!!!