



November 13, 2020

COVID-19 UPDATE – LINCOLN COUNTY, NC

Lincolnton, NC –

The following counts are based on data reported to the Lincoln County Health Department as of today:

Lincoln County Specific Data - COVID-19		
Positive - Active Cases	Positive - Recovered Cases	Deaths
185	2,631	23

- It is always tragic to lose one of our community members. Our thoughts and prayers go out to these families. With regards to the 23 deaths, 9 are related to a congregate care facility. Lincoln County Health Department continues to work with congregate living facilities to mitigate the impacts of COVID-19.
- Lincoln County is reporting at least three more deaths related to Covid-19. These deaths are not recent deaths and are a result of delayed reports. When a resident of Lincoln County dies outside of the county, there can be a delay in receiving death certificates as much as 90 days. The Lincoln County Health Department prefers to evaluate the actual death certificate prior to reporting a new death as it relates to Covid-19. In regards to these 3 deaths, they all had underlying medical conditions.
- As of July 21, 2020, it is no longer recommended to require re-testing for negative test results (except in specific circumstances where an individual has a severe compromised immune system or pre-existing health conditions) to discontinue isolation to return to normal activities such as returning to work.

REMEMBER THE “3 W’s” AND REDUCE YOUR RISK OF EXPOSURE TO COVID-19

- WEAR a cloth face covering, WAIT in lines 6 feet apart, and WASH your hands often.

COVID-19 RESOURCES

- To find a testing site near you, visit www.ncdhhs.gov/TestingPlace
- For additional information visit the Lincoln County website and click the COVID-19 resources tab.
- For mental health support call the free and confidential Hope4NC Helpline at 1-855-587-3463.

→ **The next Lincoln County COVID-19 update will be released on November 17, 2020.**

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