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COLUMBUS COUNTY COVID-19 UPDATE: 1 COVID-19 RELATED DEATH AND 40 NEW CASES OF COVID-19

Columbus County, NC – Columbus County is reporting one additional COVID-19 associated death. The individual passed away on August 31 while hospitalized. To protect the families’ privacy, no further information about the individuals will be released. We offer our deepest condolences and sympathies to all of the individual’s family and friends in this very difficult time.

Columbus County has forty new cases of COVID-19 to report today. Our total number of cases stands at 1,157. There were sixteen additional cases of COVID-19 on August 31, eight new cases on September 1, and sixteen new cases on September 2. There are currently seven Columbus County residents that are hospitalized due to COVID-19. There have been 52 COVID-19 associated deaths in Columbus County. There have been 938 COVID-19 recoveries in Columbus County. We will be providing another update on COVID-19 recoveries next Wednesday (September 9, 2020). There will be no COVID-19 update on Monday (September 7, 2020); the next COVID-19 update will be on Wednesday (September 9, 2020). There are approximately 167 active COVID-19 cases in Columbus County. There have been approximately 12,521 COVID-19 tests performed in Columbus County. For more information about cases of COVID-19 in congregate living facilities or the number of cases by zip code, please visit the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services website.

Public Health continues to work with our health and safety partners in the community to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic and will continue to provide frequent updates. The Columbus County Health Department regularly updates our Facebook page with accurate and current information regarding COVID-19 and Columbus County. For more information regarding, prevention, symptoms, reputable sources, and other important information please see our previous COVID-19 updates and press releases at Facebook.com/columbuscountyhealth. For information, you can also reach the Columbus County Health Department’s COVID-19 Call Center by calling 910-640-6615 ext. 7045 or 7046. The call center hours of operation are Monday – Friday, 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM.

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