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COLUMBUS COUNTY COVID-19 UPDATE: 1 COVID-19 RELATED DEATH & 28 NEW CASES OF COVID-19

Columbus County, NC – Columbus County is reporting one additional COVID-19 associated death. The individual passed away on June 29. The individual passed away while hospitalized. To protect the families’ privacy, no further information about this individual will be released. We offer our deepest condolences and sympathies to all of the individuals’ family and friends in this very difficult time.

Columbus County has twenty-eight new cases of COVID-19 to report today. Our current total number of COVID-19 cases is 545. There were fifteen new cases of COVID-19 on June 30, five new cases on July 1, and eight new cases on July 2. There are currently four Columbus County residents that are hospitalized due to COVID-19 and there have been 39 COVID-19 associated deaths in Columbus County. There have been 315 individuals who have recovered from COVID-19 in Columbus County. We will be providing another update on recoveries next week. There have been approximately 5,300 COVID-19 tests performed in Columbus County to-date. Additionally, Wal-Mart will no longer be offering COVID-19 testing 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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