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Surry County Reports Fifth Death Related to COVID-19

Surry County Health and Nutrition Center is reporting the fifth COVID-19 associated death in Surry County.

The individual died on July 17, 2020 from complications associated with COVID-19. The patient was in their nineties and had underlying medical conditions. To protect the families' privacy, no further information about this patient will be released.

"Public Health is once again heavy hearted as we extend our condolences to the family and friends during this difficult time," said Surry County Health Director Samantha Ange. "We ask that Surry County residents and visitors please do their part in staying safe and protecting themselves and their loved ones by practicing the 3 Ws: Wear, Wait, Wash."

In the last week, Surry County has reported an additional 89 cases and 3 deaths, bringing our totals to 668 confirmed cases with 5 COVID-19 related deaths. Surry County Health and Nutrition Center would like to reiterate the importance of taking the threat of COVID-19 seriously and remembering to protect yourselves and your loved ones by wearing a cloth face covering when in public, waiting at least 6 feet from others, avoiding crowded settings, and washing your hands frequently and thoroughly.

The COVID-19 outbreak has been accompanied by a flood of misinformation from unreliable sources. Be thoughtful about what you read or hear about the virus and make sure you are separating rumor from fact before you act. To stay up to date on COVID-19 in North Carolina, visit ncdhhs.gov/coronavirus or text COVIDNC to 898211. Call 2-1-1 (or 888-892-1162) for general questions or for help finding human services resources in your community.