YADKIN COUNTY ANNOUNCES ADDITIONAL EFFORTS TO SLOW COVID-19

Yadkin County has nine known positive cases for novel coronavirus (COVID-19). Four of the confirmed cases have already recovered from COVID-19. As of today, Yadkin County has 117 completed tests; which reflects the number of known tests reported to the agency. County Human Services Agency officials are identifying close contacts to watch for symptoms and contain any potential spread. To protect the individuals’ privacy, no further information about them will be released.

Most people impacted by COVID-19 have mild symptoms and are able to fully recover at home. Mild symptoms are defined as having fever and cough. Treatment is focused on symptom management. NC DHHS guidance released on March 23, 2020 suggests that people with mild symptoms consistent with COVID-19 do NOT need testing and should be instructed to stay home to recover. Coming out to be tested may spread illness to others in the community, including those with a higher risk of complications. Anyone who develops mild symptoms should check with their doctor and self-isolate at home until it has been at least 7 days since symptom onset and 72 hours since symptom resolves (including no fever without the use of fever reducing medication and improved respiratory symptoms).

In light of new data about how COVID-19 spreads, along with evidence of widespread COVID-19 illness in communities across the country, the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends that people wear a cloth face covering to cover their nose and mouth in the community setting. This is to protect people around you if you are infected, but do not have symptoms. Wearing a cloth face covering is recommended for use when people are in public settings, such as the grocery store or pharmacies. These face coverings are not a substitute for social distancing and proper hand washing.

CDC and County officials still suggest that residents stay at least six feet away from other people (social distancing), frequent hand washing and other everyday preventive actions. A cloth face covering is not intended to protect the wearer, but it may prevent the spread of virus from the wearer to others.

Residents with general questions about COVID-19 can call NC 2-1-1 by dialing 2-1-1 or 888-892-1162. Residents can also reach the Human Services Agency through the following email: virusinfo@yadkincountync.gov

More information about COVID-19 can be found at:
• NC DHHS: www.ncdhhs.gov
• CDC: www.cdc.gov
• Yadkin County, NC: https://www.yadkincountync.gov/

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