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## **Carteret County COVID-19 Fifth Case of COVID-19 Confirmed Press Release #20**

**Beaufort, NC** – On Saturday, March 21, a fifth case of Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) was identified in Carteret County. The Carteret County Health Department Communicable Disease staff is currently working to conduct contact tracing to make sure everyone who came into close contact with this individual is quarantined. Close contact is anyone who was within six feet of the individual for 10 minutes or more.

Carteret County will announce and update COVID-19 case counts each day at 11:30 am and 4:30 pm on the County website at [www.carteretcountync.gov](http://www.carteretcountync.gov), on the public information recording line at 252-726-7177 and by an email to the media. While the County will no longer issue press releases on additional cases, the County will continue to issue press releases regarding Carteret County's operational changes, response, and safety information regarding COVID-19. The County will also issue a press release if the Carteret County Health Department determines there is a threat to the public's health and safety.

If you think you may have been exposed to COVID-19 and develop a fever and respiratory symptoms, such as cough or shortness of breath, call your healthcare provider for medical advice first. If you do not have a healthcare provider, contact the Carteret County Health Department at 252-728-8550. If you are experiencing a medical emergency, please call "911."

For more information on COVID-19, please visit: <https://www.ncdhhs.gov/divisions/public-health/coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19-response-north-carolina> or <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html>.

Citizens can also call the Carteret County Citizens Call Center at 252-726-7060, Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 5:00 pm to speak with a County operator to answer their questions.

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