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## **Carteret County COVID-19 Confirmed COVID-19 Case in Congregate Setting Press Release #61**

**Carteret County, NC** – On June 9, 2020, Carteret County received an additional confirmed positive case for a total of 46 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the County. To view confirmed cases by zip code, please visit the Carteret County website at [www.carteretcountync.gov](http://www.carteretcountync.gov).

The latest confirmed case is the second staff person who tested positive at the Croatan Ridge Rehab and Nursing Center in Newport, NC. At this time, North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (NCDHHS) considers two or more laboratory-confirmed cases in a congregate living setting to be a COVID-19 outbreak. Currently, the two staff persons that tested positive are quarantined at home and the Carteret County Health Department has conducted contact tracing of the cases.

As a precautionary measure, Croatan Ridge arranged for the testing of COVID-19 of all of their residents and staff. As of June 10, 2020, testing has been completed and none of the residents have tested positive and no additional staff members have tested positive.

At the onset of this pandemic, Croatan Ridge had diligently followed the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention guidelines and state directives meant to curb the spread of COVID-19. A key part of these directives included restricting visitation of all visitors and non-essential health care personnel as well as strictly adhering to infection prevention practices. The Carteret County Health Department is working with this facility to implement additional infection control precautions to prevent any further spread of COVID-19.

For more information related to COVID-19 cases across North Carolina in Congregate Living Settings from NCDHHS, please visit the following <https://covid19.ncdhhs.gov/dashboard/congregate-living-settings>.

For more information on COVID-19 in Carteret County, call the Citizens Inquiry Hotline at 252-726-7060.

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