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### **New COVID-19 Death Reported for Moore County**

On September 3rd, the Moore County Health Department was notified of the death of a Moore County resident whose death was determined to be related to COVID-19 infection. The individual was a non-Hispanic white male over the age of 65 who passed away on September 1<sup>st</sup>. The individual was a resident of Quail Haven Village.

A total of twenty-two deaths have now been attributed to COVID-19 thus far in Moore County. Today's reported death is the thirteenth death linked to COVID-19 outbreaks at long-term care facilities: Pinehurst Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center (6 deaths), Seven Lakes Assisted Living & Memory Care (4 deaths), Fox Hollow (2 deaths), and Quail Haven Village (1 death). Moore County's last reported COVID-19 death occurred on August 15th.

COVID-19 deaths include people who have had a positive laboratory test for COVID-19, who died without fully recovering from COVID-19 and who had no alternative cause of death identified. Deaths are reported by hospitals and clinicians directly to local and state health departments.

In total, there have been 1,342 confirmed COVID-19 cases in Moore County to date. To protect privacy, no further information about the individuals who have tested positive will be shared by the Health Department. Moore County Health Department staff are monitoring individuals who have tested positive and will follow up with anyone who is identified as a close contact. The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) defines "close contact" as being within six feet for 10 minutes or more.

The Moore County Health Department continues to encourage everyone to "**Know Their W's**" and continue to exercise caution when out in public: **Wear** a cloth face covering if you will be around other people, **Wait** six feet apart and avoid close contact, and **Wash** your hands often for at least 20 seconds or use hand sanitizer.

In addition to these measures, everyone is urged to continue to adhere to the following guidelines:

- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.

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- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Stay home, especially if you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with your sleeve/elbow or with a tissue and be sure to throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

Further, the Moore County Health Department also recommends that everyone receive a seasonal flu vaccine.

NCDHHS has a **“Check My Symptoms”** tool that can help determine if you’re recommended to be tested for COVID-19. That tool can be found at <https://ncdhhs-covid19-dtra.powerappsportals.us/>. If you are a person who needs testing, you can use the **“Test Site Finder”** application to help locate a testing site near you. That application can be found at <https://covid19.ncdhhs.gov/about-covid-19/testing/find-my-testing-place>.

Moore County’s Coronavirus (COVID-19) Dashboard can be found here:

<https://moorecounty.maps.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/index.html#/4c11e5bf79b64a6e9c8377d5129cc97c>

For more information about coronavirus and Moore County’s response, please visit [www.moorecountync.gov/health](http://www.moorecountync.gov/health), find us on Facebook (Moore County Health Department), and follow us on Twitter (@mocohealth).

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