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Legislators,

We have now had 570,111 laboratory confirmed cases in North Carolina. This included 5,187 newly reports cases with a percent positive rate of 16.5%. There are 3,635 people hospitalized with COVID-19. Sadly we have 6,941 confirmed deaths for North Carolina.

For those of you who are new members of the North Carolina General Assembly, I try to provide these updates on all business days. Our full data dashboard (which includes the above numbers) is updated 7-days a week around noon and can be found at the links below:
https://covid19.ncdhhs.gov/

Additionally, the dashboard provides updates on the county alert system, vaccinations, COVID-like surveillance, cases, case demographics, testing, hospitalizations, hospitalization demographics, contact tracing, PPE, outbreaks, clusters, and weekly reports (including the presumed to be recovered report).
https://covid19.ncdhhs.gov/dashboard

We also often get questions about COVID-19 testing. Below is the link to all of the no-cost community testing sites across NC and a link to find medical providers who are offering testing.
https://covid19.ncdhhs.gov/about-covid-19/testing/find-my-testing-place

Much of our work in this moment is focused on vaccines. The page to get the latest on that front it here:
https://YourSpotYourShot.nc.gov

Additionally, members are often looking for social media resources. Those can be found here:
https://covid19.ncdhhs.gov/materials-resources

In addition to the case counts, I will regularly use this daily update to share critical news on the state's work related to COVID-19.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to reach out to me or my colleague, Hattie Gawande (Hattie.Gawande@dhhs.nc.gov or 919-609-1899).

Finally, and most importantly, if you have any constituent concerns related to COVID-19 or any work of DHHS (i.e. child welfare, child care, public health, ect.), I strongly recommend you reach out directly to our Constituent Relations Director, Kelly Kulinski (Kelly.Kulinski@dhhs.nc.gov or 919-855-4834).

Thanks, and I look forward to working with you.

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