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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

As of 9:30am, March 30, 2020, Randolph County Public Health received notification that there are now 17 cases of novel coronavirus (COVID-19) in the county. Public Health is making contact with individuals, identifying close contacts of the individuals, and instructing close contacts to stay home and monitor their symptoms in efforts to prevent potential spread.

It is imperative that all Randolph County residents heed the Stay At Home order set by Governor Cooper for the state of North Carolina. This executive order is effective March 30, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. until April 30, 2020. This order may be extended or amended at any time. It is crucial that everyone stay home as much as possible. Residents may leave their home only for absolute necessities such as going to work (if officially deemed an essential employee), grocery shopping, and seeking medical care. Continue to adhere to prevention guidelines set by Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, and Randolph County Public Health.

It is especially important to stay home if you are sick, even if your symptoms are mild. People are most contagious when they have symptoms. **It is up to ALL of us to protect the public's health.**

Due to the increase in cases and the rapidly changing nature of this event, Randolph County Public Health will no longer send out press releases for case updates. Randolph County's website and Randolph County Public Health's Facebook page will report a daily case count by 5:00 p.m. Monday-Friday. Press releases will be reserved for significant changes or updates.

For more information, call the Randolph County Coronavirus Hotline at **336-318-6227**

Visit RCPH's website at <http://www.randolphcountync.gov/Departments/Public-Health/COVID-19>

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