Press Release

COVID Cases on the Rise in Macon County

Macon County Public Health is seeing a rise in COVID cases in Macon County. As school summer break is underway and people prepare for summer vacations, a COVID resurgence is starting to take place in Macon County. Case counts are as high as they've been since mid-February, following the Omicron Surge, and we know those figures are likely undercounted because of unreported positive home test results and asymptomatic infections. Hospitalizations are also upward trend throughout NC.

"Although the level of COVID in Macon County is still considered low compared to surrounding counties, once exposed, your risk of catching the disease is still high" said Dr. Donald Dewhurst, Medical Director.

"Wearing a well-fitting mask indoors in public and receiving a COVID-19 vaccine remains your best protection from getting sick, preventing severe illness, hospitalization, and death" said Health Director, Kathy McGaha.

If you believe that you may have COVID-19, please call the Health Department at 828-349-2081 to schedule an appointment for a test. To register and schedule an appointment to receive a COVID-19 vaccination, please call 828-349-2081.

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