



**NEWS RELEASE**  
**For Immediate Release**  
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**04-18-2020: COVID-19 UPDATE**

We are deeply saddened to report another death today in Rutherford County. Today's daily update is as follows:

- 595 individuals tested
- 420 tests are negative
- 102 tests are pending
- 73 tests are positive which includes 4 deaths

If you have been tested and are waiting on your results you AND everyone living in your home MUST stay in quarantine until you get your test results. If you test positive then you and your household must remain in quarantine.

If you are symptomatic please call the medical screening hotline at 828-289-1185. The updated map will be posted on Monday.

Stay at home, wash your hands, and maintain a 6-foot social distance from others. To receive daily alerts from the Rutherford County Emergency Operations Center, please text your zip code to 888777. For general information go to [facebook.com/rcemergencymanagement](https://facebook.com/rcemergencymanagement), [rutherfordhelp.com](http://rutherfordhelp.com) or call 211.

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