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To: Jackson County Community & Stakeholders

From: Jackson County Department of Public Health

Re: Jackson County Department of Public Health Transitions to State Data Dashboard

The Jackson County Department of Public Health (JCDPH), in partnership with the Jackson County GIS Department, has maintained the Jackson County, NC COVID-19 Data Dashboard since June 22, 2020. This local Dashboard, updated each weekday, showed an analysis of laboratory confirmed cases of COVID-19 by demographic, COVID-19 deaths, and total COVID-19 tests reported to JCDPH. The Dashboard was developed as access to local data wasn't easily accessible, robust, or thorough at that time.

Over the past six months, access to robust and thorough local data has increased through our partners at the North Carolina Division of Health and Human Services (NCDHHS). The COVID-19 North Carolina Dashboard shows an analysis, by county, of total laboratory confirmed cases by demographics and COVID-19 deaths. Additional information is also available on testing, hospitalizations, hospitalization demographics, PPE, and more.

Case investigation, case management, contact tracing, and vaccine administration has reduced the capacity of JCDPH staff to support the Jackson County, NC COVID-19 Data Dashboard. To streamline services and focus efforts on what is most important, JCDPH will stop maintaining the Jackson County, NC COVID-19 Data Dashboard and transition solely to supporting the COVID-19 North Carolina Data Dashboard. This transition will take effect on December 24, 2020.

To access the COVID-19 North Carolina Data Dashboard, visit <https://covid19.ncdhhs.gov/dashboard>. This Dashboard is updated daily by approximately 12:00 PM.

For information about COVID-19, look to reliable sources like JCDPH, NCDHHS, and the CDC. Visit JCDPH's website at <http://health.jacksonnc.org/covid19>. For COVID-19 questions, call the Jackson County Emergency Operations Center (EOC) at 828-631-HELP.

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