Newsletter Language and Important Links

You can use the paragraph below to share important information about prevention, testing and contact tracing with your community. You can include this information in a newsletter, bulletin, or other forms of outreach to your community. It can be customized to fit your community.

Newsletter or Bulletin Paragraph

Faith calls us to protect our loved ones, to protect our neighbors, and to protect and strengthen our communities. We will make it through this COVID-19 pandemic. We have to rely on faith – but wisdom, as well. Sacred text tells us that "faith without works is dead," therefore we must all do our part and work together, alongside the medical experts and professionals who are working around the clock to help us protect our loved ones from this pandemic.

If you work around, or come into contact with a lot of people, please get tested for COVID-19. If the Local Health Department or a member of the COVID-19 Community Team calls you about a positive test result, please work with them. Any information you provide is a private health record and is strictly confidential. A legitimate contact tracer will never ask you for financial information, for a credit card number, or your social security number. If someone does, hang up.

If you test positive for, or have been exposed to, COVID-19, you will receive a call from your Local Health Department or the COVID-19 Community Team (NC OUTREACH) with guidance on what to do to protect yourself, your family, and community. If you need help to safely quarantine or isolate for 14 days, you will be connected to resources and needed services such as food, relief payments, or access to medical care.

Remember, the best way to stop COVID-19 is to prevent it. When you leave home, be sure to practice the 3 Ws: Wear. Wait. Wash.

- Wear a cloth mask over your mouth and nose.
- Wait 6 feet apart. Avoid close contact.
- Wash your hands or use hand sanitizer.

This is how we all work together to protect our families, our loved ones, and our community.

Important Links that Can Help Your Faith Community

You can share the links below with your community to help ensure they have access to important COVID-19 information and resources. You can include them in a newsletter, bulletin, or other forms of outreach to your community.

"Whatever Your Reason" Campaign Resources

• To access campaign resources in English, visit: ncdhhs.gov/WhateverYourReason.

• To access campaign resources in Spanish, visit: ncdhhs.gov/CualEsTuRazon

Prevent and Protect Toolkit

• covid19.ncdhhs.gov/preventandprotect

Learn More About Prevention

• covid19.ncdhhs.gov/materials-resources/know-your-ws-wear-wait-wash

Check My Symptoms

• ncdhhs.gov/checkmysymptoms

Find My Testing Place

• ncdhhs.gov/testingplace

Learn More About Testing

covid19.ncdhhs.gov/testing

Learn More About Contact Tracing

• covid19.ncdhhs.gov/contacttracing

Learn More About Quarantine & Isolation Support

• covid19.ncdhhs.gov/information/human-services/support-services-program