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## NC Extends Modified Stay At Home Order as Numbers Begin to Stabilize in an Effort to Continue to Slow the Spread

On Wednesday, January 27 Governor Roy Cooper and North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Secretary Dr. Mandy Cohen announced that North Carolina's Modified Stay At Home Order, requiring people to be at home from 10 pm - 5 am, will be extended. Face covering requirements and restrictions on individuals gathering in both indoor and outdoor settings are still in place. Executive Order No. 189 will be in effect through at least Sunday, February 28, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

The extension of Executive Order No. 190 allowing for the sale of "to-go" or delivery of mixed beverages will continue to help businesses that are struggling right now. The extension of Executive Order No. 191 will help families have the ability to stay in their homes, a critical component of slowing the spread of the virus.

The Executive Orders for "to-go" or delivery sales of mixed beverages and the evictions moratorium both received concurrence from the Council of State.

"With more than 3,300 people in the hospital, and the percent of positive tests in double digits, we know this virus is still spreading," said Governor Cooper. "And with at least one new contagious variant of COVID-19 in our state, we still have work to do. We cannot let our guard down, especially in these cold winter months."

In addition to the Modified Stay at Home Order, the DHHS secretarial directive remains in effect. People should stay home and only leave for essential purposes such as buying food, accessing health care, and going to school or work.

"The 3 Ws are as essential as they have always been," said NCDHHS Secretary Mandy K. Cohen, M.D. "Remember people can have COVID-19 and not know it. The best way to protect those around you is to act as if you do have the virus and could be contagious. That means always wearing a mask - over your mouth and nose, always waiting apart from others, and always washing your hands frequently."

North Carolina continues to administer Covid-19 vaccines across the state. As of today, 99.8% of all first doses received by the state were reported as being administered and 859,695 total doses have been administered. Vaccine supply continues to be very low and the state is hopeful for more vaccine to be on the way. On a call with Governor Cooper and other governors yesterday, the Biden Administration committed to increase vaccine shipments to the states by 16% over the next 3 weeks.

On Tuesday, NCDHHS expanded its vaccine data dashboard to provide information about vaccine doses allocated to and received by the state and updated guidance to ensure equitable distribution and speed of administration.

North Carolinians can find out when they will be eligible to get their vaccine through a new online tool, Find My Vaccine Group. The screener walks users through a series of questions to determine which vaccine group they fall in. Learn more about North Carolina's vaccine rollout at [YourSpotYourShot.nc.gov](http://YourSpotYourShot.nc.gov).

On January 23, NCDHHS reported the first identified case of B.1.1.7 COVID-19 Variant in North Carolina. Early data suggest that this variant may be more contagious than other variants and state health officials continue to recommend staying at home when possible and practicing the 3 "W's":

**Wear a face covering, Wait 6 feet apart and Wash your hands.**

### COVID-19 Information

To stay up to date on COVID-19 in North Carolina, visit [ncdhhs.gov/coronavirus](http://ncdhhs.gov/coronavirus) or text COVIDNC to 898211. Call 2-1-1 (or 888-892-1162) for general questions or for help finding human services resources in your community.

For a national perspective, visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website at [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov).

For a world-wide perspective, visit the World Health Organization website at [www.who.int](http://www.who.int).

### Obituaries ... continued from page 3

He was an avid golfer, but his first love was baseball. He will be remembered as a loving son, brother and uncle.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Community Home Care and Hospice, 1791 E Broad Ave, Rockingham, NC 28379 or to the American Diabetes Association, 1300 Baxter St #150, Charlotte, NC 28204.

The arrangements are in care of Leavitt Funeral Home and online condolences may be made at [www.leavittfh.com](http://www.leavittfh.com).

#### Mrs. Doris Lewis Whittington

On Saturday, January 30, 2021, Mrs. Doris Lewis Whittington, 83, went to be with her Lord.

The services will be private. Doris was born July 24, 1937, in Chesterfield County, SC, and was a daughter of the late Johnny Isiah Lewis and the late Emma Tyner Lewis.

At the time of her death she was still employed with Medical Specialties in Wadesboro. She was a member of Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church in McFarlan and also attended Polkton Baptist Church.

Left to cherish her memory are her children, Dwight Whittington and Tracy Holloway (Mark), both of McFarlan; her companion Tommy Mathis of Polkton; her daughter-in-law Amy Whittington of Wadesboro; her grandchildren, Matthew Whittington, Whitney Holloway, Kendall Holloway, Noah Holloway, Chloe Holloway, Lewis Whittington, Brooke Davis, Ashley Whittington and Jonathan Whittington; and nine great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband J. W. Whittington, her son Tony Whittington and her sisters, Laura Phillips, Elizabeth Griggs, Janie Livingston Moore and Mary Etta Keith.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church, Mildred Lowery, 8998 Diggs Rd., Morven, NC 28119 or to Morven Volunteer Fire Department, P.O. Box 358, Morven, NC 28119.

The arrangements are in care of Leavitt Funeral Home and online condolences may be made at [www.leavittfh.com](http://www.leavittfh.com).

#### Mrs. Betty Jean Preslar Williams

Mrs. Betty Jean Preslar Williams, 84, passed away Wednesday, January 27, 2021, at Atrium Health Union.

Graveside services were held on Saturday, January 30, 2021, at Peachland City Cemetery.

Born January 13, 1937, in Anson County, Mrs. Williams was the daughter of the late C. B. Preslar and Rose Ann Floyd Preslar. She was also preceded in death by her husband, Everette Williams; and sons, Barry Lynn Williams and Karry Devin Williams.

She worked with Medical Specialties for many years. She also served as helpmate to Everette who was a volunteer fireman with Peachland and Polkton fire departments, where he and she enjoyed working the BBQs. She was a member of the Anson County Beekeeper's Association. Mrs. Williams enjoyed helping Everette with cooking BBQs for family and friends and flounder from beach fishing trips. She and Everette made many trips to the mountains where they would buy apples and other produce to sell after they returned home. Her main calling was cooking cakes, meals, and making sure others were taken care of.

She was married to Everette for 65 years at the time of his passing.

Mrs. Williams is survived by Brenda and Wayne Puckett whom they considered a daughter and son-in-law; sister-in-laws, Frances Williams Davis and Elizabeth Williams Treadaway, both of Peachland; neighbors, Tony and Sheri High; and her many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

The family would like to express a special thanks to her great niece Emily and the nursing staff at Atrium Anson & Union, family and friends for the calls and prayers while Betty was sick.

Memorials should be made to Peachland City Cemetery, c/o Peachland Cemetery, 1642 Upper White Store Road, Peachland, NC 28133, and Peachland Gospel Tabernacle, P.O. Box 107, Peachland, NC 28133.

Holland Funeral Service & Crematory is serving the Williams Family.



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