

Statement from the Pinehurst, Southern Pines, Aberdeen Area CVB (Updated: February 1, 2021)

The impacts of Coronavirus are having significant effects on the entire travel industry globally from lodging to events, including inside Moore County. As of February 1, 2021, there were 7,052 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Moore County. There have been 133 deaths reported in Moore County since the pandemic began in early 2020.

December 8, 2020

- Governor Roy Cooper and NCDHHS Secretary Mandy Cohen <u>announced</u> that North Carolina will begin a Modified Stay at Home Order after a rapid increase in North Carolina's key COVID-19 trends. <u>Executive Order 181</u>, which requires people to stay at home between 10 p.m. and 5 a.m., takes effect Friday, December 11 and will be in place until at least January 8, 2021.
 - The Order requires restaurants, bars, entertainment venues, personal care businesses and more to close at 10 pm. Travel to and from work; to obtain food, medical care, fuel or social services; or to take care of a family member is exempted. Read more in the Frequently Asked Questions.

Wednesday, Nov. 25, 2020

A new executive order goes into effect Nov. 25 until Friday, Dec. 11 and <u>tightens the</u>
<u>existing statewide mask requirement</u> and requires large retail businesses to have an
employee stationed near entrances to ensure masks are being worn.

Our world-class Golf Courses have always been Open! See Our Updated List

Tourism Jobs

The Economic Development Partnership of North Carolina is posting and <u>updating a list of current companies that have job opening across the state</u>. Some industries are ramping up production during the crisis and have immediate openings.

Tourism Assistance

The N.C. Restaurant & Lodging Association Foundation has created the NC Restaurant Relief Fund. The goal is to provide qualified applicants with \$500 within five days of their application to help with the immediate expenses faced by many who have suddenly found themselves without work. Please donate if possible and apply if needed.

Here are some of those precautions for travelers:

NCDHHS recommends everyone continue taking precautions to protect themselves and others from the spread of respiratory illnesses, which includes COVID-19.

- Wash hands frequently with soap and water, and for at least 20 seconds each time.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are ill.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze.
- Do not reuse tissue after coughing, sneezing, or blowing your nose.
- Clean and disinfect surfaces that are frequently touched.

Here is the latest information from the North Carolina Division of Public Health

What is COVID-19?

The CDC also has guidelines for best business practices:

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/specific-groups/guidance-business-response.html?CDC_AA_refVal=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.cdc.gov%2Fcoronavirus%2F2019-ncov%2Fguidance-business-response.html

For more information on COVID-19, please visit the CDC's website at www.cdc.gov/coronavirus. North Carolina resources can be found on the Division of Public Health website at www.ncdhhs.gov/coronavirus.