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## **COVID-19 - Industry Update 2:** March 9, 2020

Greetings to Travel Partners,

The Wilmington and Beaches CVB continues to closely monitor COVID-19 (novel Coronavirus) updates from New Hanover County, as well as Visit North Carolina and other state agencies that are taking the lead on preparation and information distribution.

At the time of this writing (March 9, 2020), the CVB is not aware of any confirmed cases of COVID-19 in New Hanover County. <https://health.nhcgov.com/your-environment/public-health/coronavirus/>

On Friday, Visit North Carolina provided an update to report a second person in North Carolina has tested presumptively positive for COVID-19: <https://www.ncdhhs.gov/news/press-releases/north-carolina-identifies-second-case-covid-19>.

Attached, please find Visit NC's most recent COVID-19 update with additional information and links to resources and best practices.

Please keep the CVB informed of meeting/event cancelations that cite COVID-19 as the reason for cancelation. Please also let us know if you notice an uptick in lodging cancelations that cite COVID-19 concerns.

We respect the importance of this matter and will continue to share updates to our partners on an on-going basis as the situation changes. Thank you.

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*New Hanover County's tourism industry generates more than \$613 million in annual economic impact, creates 6,470 jobs and contributes \$54 million to the state and local tax bases. Each county resident saves an estimated \$228.31 annually in taxes.*