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## Health Department Introduces New Community Health Initiative

FAYETTEVILLE – Public Health Director Buck Wilson introduced a new countywide health initiative during the Cumberland County Board of Health Meeting April 18. The new initiative, Healthy Cumberland, has a mission “to improve the health of all Cumberland County residents through community partnerships.” More than 60 community organizations attended the meeting in support of the initiative.

Healthy Cumberland partners will meet to develop action plans and strategies for improving the health of Cumberland County residents with the aim of moving the needle in the right direction on various health measures.

This community partnership will select and tackle health areas that are pertinent and important to the community and its citizens such as mental health, chronic disease, communicable disease, teen pregnancy prevention, tobacco control, breast feeding initiatives and others.

“Healthy Cumberland will enhance the strong health partnerships we have in Cumberland County. We look forward to working with all of our partners to improve the health of our citizens,” Wilson said.

Interested organizations and partners are invited to attend the first Healthy Cumberland meeting on June 30 at 9 a.m. at the Public Health Center, 1235 Ramsey Street. For more information or to become a partner to help improve health in Cumberland County, contact Wilson at [bwilson@co.cumberland.nc.us](mailto:bwilson@co.cumberland.nc.us).

*If you would like more information about the Cumberland County Department of Public Health’s programs and services, health-related data, or community resources, please call 910-433-3600 or visit with someone at the information desk, or visit our website at [co.cumberland.nc.us/health.aspx#](http://co.cumberland.nc.us/health.aspx#). Comments are welcome and can be submitted on our website at [co.cumberland.nc.us/health/comment\\_form.aspx](http://co.cumberland.nc.us/health/comment_form.aspx). The Health Department is located at 1235 Ramsey St. in Fayetteville.*

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