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Toombs County Announces First COVID-19 Death

Lyons, GA – The first death associated with COVID-19 in Toombs County has been confirmed. The elderly individual was a resident of Toombs County and had underlying health conditions.

As of noon today, there were more than 5,300 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the state of Georgia and more than 1,000 people hospitalized. Cases have appeared in areas all across Georgia, and more confirmed cases are expected as testing increases and the virus spreads.

Older adults and people who have severe underlying medical conditions like heart or lung disease or diabetes are at higher risk for developing more serious complications from COVID-19 and should always consult their healthcare provider if they are sick.

All Georgians play a critical role in helping to slow the spread of COVID-19 by practicing social distancing, and sick people should self-isolate if they develop symptoms of COVID-19.

For accurate information about COVID-19 in our area, visit the Southeast Health District page on COVID-19 at sehdp.org/covid-19 and the Georgia Department of Public Health website at dph.ga.gov.