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We're striving for a healthier Hyde*

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PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

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PROTECTION OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND PREVENTION OF ILLNESS and INJURY FOLLOWING FLOODING

Be safe in days following local flooding

The public and visitors in Hyde County are strongly encouraged to avoid direct contact with flood waters due to potential exposure to bacteria and other potentially harmful substances. This is especially encouraged for young children, elderly, and immune compromised individuals.

This includes secondary exposure to young children from boots, waders, clothing, etc. stored in garages, mudrooms, houses.

Also, everyone is strongly encouraged to use caution when inspecting, repairing and generally recovering from flooding affects in and around their homes and businesses – wildlife, bees, insects, rodents, snakes, etc. are potentially present in unexpected places where they may have been escaping flood waters.

Finally, if anyone who has had skin or otherwise direct exposure to flood waters and becomes ill, go directly to one's medical provider of choice for treatment, or contact the Hyde County Public Health Department beginning 8:00 AM Oct 8, 2015 when our offices re-open. If a need is evident for tetanus vaccinations and/or boosters we may be able to obtain a supply to administer.

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