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## **Health Department Receives Breastfeeding Friendly Awards**

FAYETTEVILLE – The Cumberland County Department of Public Health has been awarded the “Breastfeeding Friendly Business Award” and the “Breastfeeding Friendly Workplace Award” from the North Carolina Breastfeeding Coalition.

The awards recognize the health department’s support for breastfeeding patrons and employees. Mothers’ Rooms in the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Clinic and the Women’s Health Clinic are breastfeeding-friendly environments for mothers to utilize. Health department employees are given time at work to express breast milk for one year after each birth, coordinating with their supervisor to establish time in their schedule.

The health department recognizes breast milk as the optimal food for growth and development of infants and does not advertise formula or related products directly to customers. Services provided in the Women’s Health Clinic include breastfeeding education to prenatal women and educational help and support to help women meet breastfeeding goals.

*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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