



STAY OUT OF FLOODWATER

FLOODWATERS COULD CONTAIN:

- **DOWNED POWER LINES**
- **HUMAN AND LIVESTOCK WASTE**
- **HOUSEHOLD, MEDICAL, AND INDUSTRIAL WASTE**
- **HAZARDOUS CHEMICALS**
- **OTHER CONTAMINANTS THAT CAN LEAD TO ILLNESS**
- **PHYSICAL DEBRIS SUCH AS LUMBER, SHARP OBJECTS AND METAL**
- **WILD OR STRAY ANIMALS**

EXPOSURE CAN CAUSE:

- **WOUND INFECTIONS**
- **SKIN RASH**
- **GASTROINTESTINAL ILLNESS**
- **TETANUS**
- **LEPTOSPIROSIS (NOT COMMON)**

FLOOD PROTECTION

Protect yourself from floodwater by staying out of it. If you must enter, wear rubber boots, rubber gloves, and goggles.

If you come in contact with floodwater:

- Wash the area with soap and clean water ASAP. If you don't have soap or water use alcohol-based wipes or sanitizer
- Take care of wounds and seek medical attention if necessary
- Wash clothes contaminated with flood or sewage water in hot water and detergent before reusing them

Do not walk, swim or drive through flood waters.

FLOODED WELLS- DO NOT CONSUME WELL WATER

Carteret County Health Department is advising residents with private drinking water wells that were submerged during flooding associated with Hurricane Dorian to not drink or ingest the well water until tested. Residents should use bottled water until a sample has been tested. Environmental Health will offer free bacteriological samples for private drinking water wells that were flooded during Hurricane Dorian through **September 30**. Sampling can be requested beginning Monday September 9, 2019 by contacting the Carteret County Environmental Health office at 252-728-8499. Environmental Health staff will schedule a time to visit your property to collect a sample.