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HARBOR INN RESTAURANT UPDATE 1/26/2012 3:21 PM

Catawba County Public Health (CCPH) is investigating reports of illness linked to Harbor Inn Seafood Restaurant in Conover. A majority of the complaints were from people who ate at the restaurant the weekend of January 13 and became ill within 12 to 24 hours after dining. Symptoms included nausea, diarrhea and vomiting and typically lasted from 24 to 36 hours.

CCPH has been monitoring the situation on a daily basis since January 17, when the first complaint was received. No Environmental Health violations have been found, and the restaurant is currently following extra-stringent safe foodservice recommendations.

CCPH is investigating the cause of the illness in consultation with the North Carolina Division of Public Health (NCDPH). At the recommendation of NCDPH, CCPH collected a limited number of stool samples and sent them to the state lab on January 25 for analysis. Results are expected within a week.



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