Friday Facts

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HIGHLIGHTS

RETIREMENT ANNOUNCEMENT
Betha Mattingly, RN CHNII, will be retiring October 30 from Madison County Health Department after 43 years as a nurse. She is currently the Day Care Consultant, Health Educator, MCH Coordinator, WIC CPA, CLC, and a close part of our health department family. She received an Associate Degree of Science from Mineral Area College in 1975, and her Associate Degree in Nursing from Mineral Area College in 1977. She began her nursing career at Bonne Terre Hospital as a charge nurse, which was mostly geriatric patients. In September 1978, she began working at Madison County Health Department in home health and WIC. Left in 1981 to work as charge nurse and Director of Nursing at Camelot Nursing Home until 1982. In 1982, went to work at Mineral Area Regional Medical Center. Returned to Madison County Health Department in 1983 and worked all programs including WIC until 1997. Then went back to St. Francois County to work the lead project and WIC until 2002. She then went at Iron County Health Department until 2005, when she returned to Madison County Health Department. She has touched many people’s hearts over the last 43 years with her knowledge and her big heart. She will be missed but we know she will be busy with her first grandbaby on the way this December. If you want to wish her a “Happy Retirement”, you can e-mail her at: Betha.Mattingly@lpha.mo.gov.

SAVE TIME AND INCREASE YOUR FACEBOOK PRESENCE
In addition to creating your own content, share trusted posts from #HealthierMO to stay higher on your audience’s news feeds. Posts can quickly get buried, especially during the COVID “infodemic.” The more often you post, the more likely your followers are to see your content. We know you don’t have time to create fresh Facebook posts constantly. #HealthierMO can help. First, make sure you are seeing #HealthierMO’s posts in your news feed by adjusting your “Follow Settings.” Go to #HealthierMO’s Facebook page and click on the “Other” button (right side, three dots). Choose “Follow Settings” then select “Favorites” to see #HealthierMO posts higher in your Facebook news feed. “Like” and “Share” our posts to keep your followers informed, build your Facebook presence, and stay higher in your follower’s news feeds. It’s just one more way #HealthierMO is supporting public health agencies across Missouri.

WIC UPDATES
WIC Updates have been posted to the WIC webpage at: http://health.mo.gov/living/families/wic/wicupdates/index.php.

- Local Agency Printer Toner Supplies
- Disposal of WIC Computer Equipment Reminder
- Microcuvette Order
- WIC Invoicing/WIC24 Invoice
MCH CERTIFICATE OFFERED BY THE CENTER OF EXCELLENCE
Saint Louis University has been designated as a Maternal and Child Health Center of Excellence – one of 13 in the nation. One of the goals of the Center is to provide continuing education to existing MCH professionals throughout Region 7 including Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, and Iowa. The Center of Excellence in Maternal and Child Health offers an MCH Post-Baccalaureate Certificate which is tailored to working professionals at state and local public health agencies who may benefit from further developing their MCH competencies. Scholars completing the MCH certificate program take five courses from the Master of Public Health (MPH) program that cover a breadth of skills across the core areas of MCH. Courses are taught by world-renowned faculty and will be offered online to accommodate distance learning. More information can be found at this link: https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/public-health-social-justice/graduate-programs/maternal-child-health-pbc/ If interested, please send an e-mail to MCHCOE@slu.edu.

DHSS CORNER

DHSS JOB OPPORTUNITIES/NEWS:
There is no new job opportunities or news.

MEETINGS, CONFERENCES, AND TRAININGS

LEAD POISONING PREVENTION WEEK VIRTUAL ROUNDTABLE: LEAD IS STILL A PROBLEM BY US EPA REGION 7
Join in for an interactive discussion on the history of lead in our country, lessons learned and how we can improve lead poisoning prevention in future generations. This will take place during National Lead Poisoning Prevention Week, Thursday, October 29, 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. CDT. https://www.eventbrite.com/e/lead-poisoning-prevention-week-virtual-roundtable-lead-is-still-a-problem-registration-121025716175.

UPDATE NOTICE! FALL REGIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH MEETINGS
These meetings will be held virtually via WebEX instead of in-person due to COVID-19. NOTE: If you plan to join a webinar outside of your region, please e-mail Brenda Buschjost at: Brenda.Buschjost@health.mo.gov so the appropriate calendar appointment can be sent. Please see the attached agenda for topics/discussion points.
12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

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Final webinar agendas for each region have been e-mailed and posted to: https://health.mo.gov/living/lpha/meetings.php.

SHOW-ME ECHO PROGRAM
The Show-ME ECHO (Extensions for Community Healthcare Outcomes) Program aims to bring healthcare providers together in a nurturing learning environment where participants can chat with colleagues and experts about challenging cases, learn from those cases, and then nurture better health outcomes for their patients. Show-Me ECHO currently offers clinics on 27 different topics. Several of our new topics include: HIV, Missouri Mom’s & Babies, Viral Hepatitis, Foot Preservation, and Diabetes! Participation is FREE, and participants can get FREE continuing education credits. Don’t get left out, join the discussion. You can register for any of our ECHO’s at: https://showmeecho.org/. You’ll be glad you did. If you have questions don’t be afraid to call for more information at: 573-884-7958 or e-mail at: showmeecho@health.missouri.edu.

For other training opportunities, please see Links to Valuable Resources that are on Page 2 of this Friday Facts publication.
LPHA JOB OPPORTUNITIES

ADMINISTRATOR – Audrain County Health Department (ACHD)
ACHD is seeking qualified applicants for the Administrator of the ACHD. This position answers directly to the Board of Health and directs the daily operations of the department. Qualifications include leadership, budgetary, and financial management skills and must possess excellent written and computer skills. Administrative experience and public health experience is preferred. Salary is commensurate with experience. Resumes accepted until position is filled. Contact the ACHD at: 573-581-1332 for an application and/or more information. Send resume and cover letter to Human Resources at: 1130 S. Elmwood, Mexico, MO 65265; fax to: 573-581-6652; or e-mail to: audortho@sbcglobal.net. ACHD is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST & PART-TIME NURSING POSITIONS AVAILABLE –
Clay County Public Health Center
Clay County Public Health Center, nationally accredited by the Public Health Accreditation Board, currently has the following positions open: Community Development Specialist and Part-time, Temporary LPN and RN positions. The Health Center offers a competitive total compensation package. For more details on qualifications and position requirements, visit https://www.clayhealth.com/.

NUTRITIONIST – Taney County Health Department
The Taney County Health Department will is accepting resumes for a full time, 40 hour per week, non-exempt Nutritionist for the WIC Program. The selected candidate will provide nutrition and breastfeeding education to WIC eligible participants and assess their nutritional needs for certification eligibility. A Certified Lactation Counselor or IBCLC is preferred, as well as previous WIC experience however not required. Minimum requirements for the position are graduation from an accredited four-year college or university with a Bachelor’s degree in Public Health Nutrition, Dietetics, Home Economic, or closely related field; including or supplemented by at least fifteen (15) semester hours in food and nutrition including diet therapy and community nutrition. For more information, how to apply and all essential functions visit: https://www.taneycohealth.org/. Deadline to apply is November 6.

c: Dr. Randall Williams, MD, FACOG, Department Director, DHSS Staff
County Presiding Commissioners, Board Chairs

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