

Friday Facts

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HIGHLIGHTS

WIC UPDATES

WIC Updates have been posted to the WIC webpage at: <https://health.mo.gov/living/families/wic-portal/updates/>

- Upcoming state holidays
- Upcoming McKesson HemoCue online ordering trainings
- Missouri WIC Conference agenda and program
- Missouri WIC Conference nutrition presentation handouts
- HemoCue Hb 301 train the trainer sessions to be held at the Missouri WIC Conference
- Raffles and sales during the 2024 Missouri WIC Conference
- Missouri DSS outreach data available October 28, 2024
- New Communicating Local Agencies Changes guidance document

EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES OFFER

The Department of Health and Senior Services' Prenatal Substance Use Prevention program is searching for organizations interested in housing life-like infant manikins. The set of manikins represents infants with Fetal Alcohol Syndrome (FAS), prenatal drug exposure, and healthy characteristics. Organizations can utilize the manikins to demonstrate the effects of prenatal substance use to promote healthy pregnancies. The drug-affected manikin will emit the effects of withdrawal. The FAS manikin features some of alcohol's devastating effects. Individuals visualize all three manikins together to compare the effects of prenatal substance use. The manikins are provided at no cost along with educational materials but do require bi-annually reporting on the usage. If your organization is interested in housing the manikins or if you know of another organization that might be interested, please contact Megan Hammann at: Megan.Hammann@health.mo.gov.

OLDER AMERICANS ACT -- NEW FEDERAL REGULATIONS

On February 14, the Administration for Community Living released the [new federal regulations](#) for the Older Americans Act. The regulations require that the Department of Health and Senior Services/Division of Senior and Disability Services (DSDS), as the State Unit on Aging, develop policies and procedures governing all aspects of programs operated as set forth in 45 CFR 1321 and 45 CFR 1324. These policies and procedures shall be developed in consultation with area agencies on aging, program participants, and other appropriate parties in the state. Please review the draft policies and procedures developed by DSDS and the Area Agencies on Aging during the public comment period. The Missouri State Unit on Aging and Area Agency on Aging policies and procedures will be available for public comment through November 29, 2024. You can find the policies and procedures online at [MO SUA and AAA Policies and Procedures](#). Please send any comments to: MoStatePlanonAging@health.mo.gov by close of business November 29, 2024. If you have any issues accessing the information or have questions, please don't hesitate to contact: Mindy.Ulstad@health.mo.gov or by calling (573) 526-8234.

[LPHA Job Opportunities](#)

Links to Valuable Resources

- [Calendar of Events](#)
- [Directory of LPHAs](#)
- [Area Agencies on Aging & Services](#)
- [Missouri Association of Local Public Health Agencies](#)
- [Missouri Institute for Community Health](#)
- [Missouri Public Health Association](#)
- [CDC's Weekly Scientific Digest](#)
- [CDC Environmental Health Training Resources](#)
- [FDA Environmental Health Training](#)
- [Missouri Health Information Technology \(MO HIT\) Assistance Center](#)
- [Ozarks Public Health Institute](#)
- [Heartland Centers](#)
- [Midwest Public Health Training Center](#)

DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH (DMH) – NEW FACEBOOK PAGE

DMH now has a Facebook page for WORKplace WELLness topics! Follow us at <https://www.facebook.com/MentalHealthMO!>

DHSS CORNER

DHSS JOB OPPORTUNITIES/NEWS:

For additional DHSS Job Opportunities, please visit the MO Careers website [here](#).

MEETINGS, CONFERENCES, AND TRAININGS

State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA) Upcoming Courses

Please view upcoming courses being offered by the State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA). See [flyer](#) for registration status. This section contains courses that have a target audience that includes Public Health, Medical (Hospital) or Healthcare.

Funding Opportunity -- Delivering Customized Performance and Systems Improvement Training and Technical Assistance to Local Health Departments

With support from the National Center for State, Tribal, Local and Territorial Public Health Infrastructure and Workforce at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC PHIC), the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) is pleased to offer an opportunity to deliver customized performance and systems improvement training and technical assistance to local public health departments (LHDs) through statewide or state-level public health associations/organizations. The Request for Applications (RFA) will be released on Tuesday, October 22, and all requests must be submitted no later than Tuesday, November 12, at 5pm EST. Review the RFP [here](#). Applicants can [request a consultation and guidance session](#) with CDC PHIC and NACCHO to provide input and feedback on proposed ideas and to learn more about the request and the type of support that best fits the applicant and the needs of their target audience. CDC PHIC and NACCHO will host an [informational webinar](#) on Tuesday, October 29 from 2:00 – 3:00pm EDT where interested applicants will have the opportunity to learn more about the opportunity, including changes to the request process and timeline, and ask questions. Webinar attendees will also have an opportunity to hear from previous recipients. Click [here](#) to access the application.

Request for Application — Strengthening Immunization Program Communications and Outreach Capacity

With support from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, NACCHO is pleased to announce this [funding opportunity](#), a technical assistance and capacity-building opportunity that will provide local health departments (LHDs) with resources to strengthen their communications on immunizations across the lifespan. Through this funding opportunity, **NACCHO will issue up to ten awards in the amount of \$40,000 to each LHD selected to participate.** For full details and instructions, please review the [Request for Applications \(RFA\)](#).

Informational Webinar: NACCHO will host an optional webinar on Monday, October 28, at 2:00pm EST. If you would like to attend, please register [here](#). The webinar will be recorded and posted on our [website](#). **Applications must be submitted no later than Friday, November 15.** Questions about the RFA and application process can be directed to NACCHO's Immunization Program at: immunization@naccho.org.

Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) for Adults

DMH is partnering with the Missouri Institute for Mental Health (MIMH) to provide free regional trainings on Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) for adults. MHFA teaches you how to identify, understand and respond to signs of mental health and substance use challenges among adults.

To register for this upcoming training:

- **November 4, 2024** at St. Charles County Public Health, 1650 Boone's Lick Road, St. Charles, MO 63301 [St Charles Registration Link](#).

For those interested in becoming a MHFA instructor, DMH will be rolling out a scholarship program for a 3-day virtual Train-the-Trainer course. More details will be shared before the application period opens in the fall of 2025.

Public Health Nursing Community of Practice Regional Public Health Nurse Meetings

There will be four meetings with the same agenda. See [Flyer](#) for details. Select the date/location that works best for you.

9:30am - 12:30pm

- Wednesday, November 13, 2024: Sedalia
- Tuesday, December 3, 2024: Springfield
- Wednesday, December 4, 2024: Cape Girardeau
- Thursday, December 5, 2024: Marceline

Topics: Communicable Diseases, Immunizations, Networking & Sharing

Register Here: https://missouriwic.iad1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8DmbJ530hAVrpr0.

LPHA JOB OPPORTUNITIES

FULL-TIME NUTRITIONIST/DIETITIAN -- Camden County Health Department

The Camden County Health Department has an immediate opening for a full time (35 hours/week) Nutritionist/Dietitian in the WIC program. The candidate must have graduated from an accredited four-year college or university with a Bachelor's degree in Public Health Nutrition, Dietetics, Home Economics, or closely related field; including or supplemented by at least fifteen (15) semester hours in food and nutrition including diet therapy and community nutrition. The selected candidate will provide nutrition education to WIC eligible participants and assess their nutritional needs for certification eligibility. Resumes will be accepted by email, at: jennifer.finley@lpha.mo.gov or mail, PO Box 816 Camdenton, MO 65020. This institution is an equal opportunity employer.

UTILITY WORKER – City of St. Louis Department of Health

Job duties include:

- Operates the Community Outreach Vehicles
- Ensures vehicles are fueled and maintained with adequate battery charge and understands the functionality of onboard equipment
- Maintains accurate mileage and maintenance forms
- Performs pre- and post-trip vehicle checks for proper operation and report malfunctions or needs
- Coordinates, plans deploys/drives the Department of Health community outreach vehicle using the safest routes based on traffic conditions and safely staging vehicles at City-sponsored events or where DOH participates in Community events

Please see job description for further details: [Job Description - Utility Worker \(Part-time\) \(Health\) \(2400012H\) \(stlouis-mo.gov\)](#).

CLIENT SERVICE COORDINATOR I -- CJC Health

Job duties include:

- Oversight, assessment, and evaluation of the planning, organization, and coordination of re-entry services by the CJC healthcare re-entry staff, including, but not limited to, employment, housing, education, substance abuse
- Treatment, mental health services, and other relevant areas
- Track outcomes and evaluate the effectiveness of provider re-entry services and programs in promoting successful reintegration and reducing recidivism rates
- Compile data and prepare reports to document program activities, outcomes, and areas for improvement

Please see job description for further details: [Job Description - Client Service Coordinator I \(CJC Health\) \(2400012B\)](#).

PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAM REPRESENTATIVE (BEHAVIORAL HEALTH & CHRONIC DISEASES)-- City of St. Louis Department of Health

Job duties include:

- Assists in recognizing, treating, and managing mental health and psychosocial issues
- Provides clinical consultation to providers and staff to treat a variety of mental health and physical health-related disorders
- Provides information and referrals to link patients with needed community resources
- Investigates Behavioral Health & Chronic Disease outbreaks; interviews patients to compile information; consults with health care professionals to analyze lab results and epidemiological data to detect trends

Please see job description for further details: [Job Description - Public Health Program Representative \(Behavioral Health & Chronic Diseases\) \(2400012A\)](#)

COMMUNITY HEALTH EDUCATOR – Clay County Public Health Center

The Health Center seeks candidates for the position of a Community Health Educator to perform activities within the Community Health Promotion Team. The Community Health Educator (CHE) collaborates with community members to determine health needs, deliver health education, and implement evidence-based health interventions. CHE's are responsible for community outreach, establishing new partnerships, and bolstering existing community relationships. Visit: clayhealth.com.

DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES/SECTION CHIEF OF OPERATIONS – Clay County Public Health Center

With guidance from the Deputy Director, the Section Chief of Operations/Director of Human Resources is responsible for carrying out section objectives- including managing all human resource functions- as well as evaluating program services and ensuring compliance with local, state and federal laws, contract requirements and Section policies and procedures. The Section Chief also supervises, and coordinates activities of personnel engaged in carrying out program goals. Visit: clayhealth.com.

FULL-TIME NUTRITIONIST—Clay County Health Center

The Clay County Health Center's WIC clinic has an opening for a full-time nutritionist. The candidate must have graduated from an accredited four-year college or university with a bachelor's degree in public health nutrition, dietetics, home economics, or closely related field; including, or supplemented by, at least fifteen (15) semester hours in food and nutrition including diet therapy and community nutrition. The selected candidate will provide nutrition education to WIC eligible participants and assess their nutritional needs for certification eligibility. For additional information and to apply, please click: [here](#).

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR -- Columbia/Boone County Public Health and Human Services

The Columbia/Boone County Public Health and Human Services has an opening for an Assistant Director. The purpose of this job is to assist the Director with planning, implementing, directing, and evaluating operations of the Public Health and Human Services department to protect and promote health, safety, and well-being of Columbia and Boone County residents. For more information or to apply please go to: <https://www.gocomojobs.com/postings/32305>.

ADMINISTRATOR - Linn County Health Department

The Linn County Health Department is currently accepting resumes for a full time Administrator. The position requires a current Missouri RN License. A Bachelor's Degree in Public Health Administration or a related field preferred. Duties include to coordinate and oversee administrative operations for a public health agency, manage financial aspects of the agency, including budgeting, billing and financial reporting, ensure compliance with regulatory requirements and maintain accurate records. Development and oversight of planning within the agency and with community partners. The Health Department offers a competitive compensation and benefit package. For more information on the position, or to apply, please email director@linncohealth.org.

VETERINARIAN – St. Louis County Department of Public Health

The veterinarian position will oversee the health of all animals at St. Louis County's animal shelter. This position requires on-call and weekend hours as needed. These requirements can be negotiated with the candidate upon start date. Examples of duties include overseeing the health of all animals at St. Louis County's animal shelter, determining the nature of and treating health conditions in animals medically and/or surgically, and performing spay/neuter operations as required. Requires licensure as a Veterinarian with the Missouri Veterinary Medical Board or a Provisional Missouri License. New graduates are encouraged to apply. For more information, visit: <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/stlouis/jobs/4680365/veterinarian>.

VETERINARY TECHNICIAN – St. Louis County Department of Public Health

The veterinary technician position will examine and oversee the general health of all animals at St. Louis County's animal shelter. Examples of duties include examining and evaluating the overall health of all animals in the shelter, administering medication, assisting the veterinarian during surgery, and monitoring animals during recovery period, conducting pre-adoption health examinations, as well as preparing animals for adoption. Minimum requirements: registered as a Veterinary Technician. New graduates are strongly encouraged to apply. For more information, visit: <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/stlouis/jobs/4680304/veterinary-technician>.

ACCOUNTANT -- Taney County Health Department

The Taney County Health Department (TCHD) will be accepting resumes for a full-time, 40 hours a week, non-exempt, Accountant. Duties include performing various accounting functions such as bank and general ledger account reconciliations, accounts payable and receivable and assisting with grant reporting. The ideal candidate would be proficient utilizing accounting software and Microsoft Office products. An associate degree in accounting or a bachelor's degree in accounting/finance is required. The Taney County Health Department is a thriving Local Public Health Department located in Branson and Forsyth Missouri. TCHD is committed to the community and to its employees. The TCHD leadership team is committed to providing a work environment that provides staff with communication, transparency, collaboration, forward thinking, staff development, trust, and fun. For requirements, essential functions and how to apply visit: <https://www.taneycohealth.org/>.

COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER -- Taney County Health Department

The Taney County Health Department (TCHD) will be accepting resumes for a full-time, 40 hours a week, non-exempt, Community Health Worker. This position is a grant funded position. Responsibilities include assisting individuals and families in accessing healthcare, social services, and community resources. This role will manage and coordinate the Maternal Child Health contract deliverables, maintain relationships with community partners, and conduct outreach activities to promote public health initiatives. Preferred bachelor's degree in communications, health education, or a health-related field and 2 years' experience is preferred however not required. The Taney County Health Department is a thriving Local Public Health Department located in Branson and Forsyth Missouri. TCHD is committed to the community and to its employees. The TCHD leadership team is committed to providing a work environment that provides staff with communication, transparency, collaboration, forward thinking, staff development, trust, and fun. For requirements, essential functions and how to apply visit: <https://www.taneycohealth.org/>.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS SPECIALIST -- Taney County Health Department

The Taney County Health Department (TCHD) will be accepting resumes for a full-time, 40 hours a week, non-exempt, Community Relations Specialist. This position serves as a representative and liaison for Taney County Health Department in community engagement activities. Key outreach responsibilities include attending community meetings, developing and implementing health education strategies, and promoting public health initiatives. As the Public Information Officer for the department, this individual manages public health messaging, coordinates with media, and ensures culturally competent communication through various channels. The Taney County Health Department is a thriving Local Public Health Department located in Branson and Forsyth Missouri. TCHD is committed to the community and to its employees. The TCHD leadership team is committed to providing a work environment that provides staff with communication, transparency, collaboration, forward thinking, staff development, trust, and fun. For requirements, essential functions and how to apply visit: <https://www.taneycohealth.org/>.

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