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Hello Summer!

What a great time of year! School is out and everyone is busy going on vacation, playing summer ball or just hanging out outdoors. But most of all, Summer is about making memories with family and friends! We hope everyone enjoys their Summer and makes lots of memories!

*Some of the best memories  
are made in flip flops!  
-Kellie Elmore*

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We welcomed April Langford to our In-Home Services team in June. April will be working as one of our Homemakers. April lives in Caldwell where she keeps very busy with her four children! Welcome April!

### **Straight Out of Summer**

Our health department podcast is going strong!

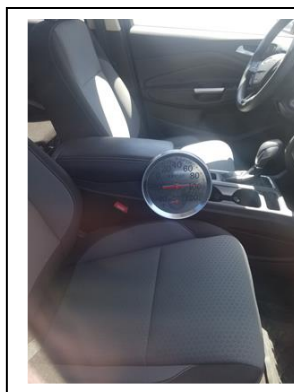
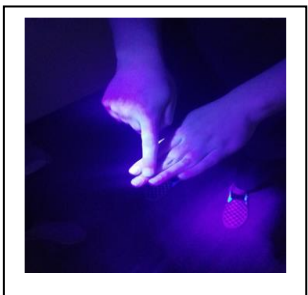
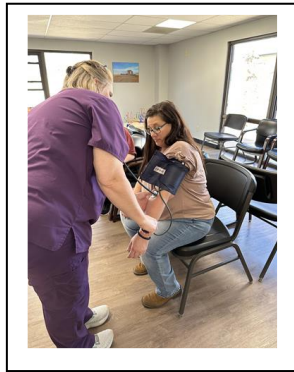
We record about every 2 weeks. Find the link on our FB page.



## Why The Health Not?

On April 7<sup>th</sup> we celebrated National Public Health Week by hosting a mini community health day to let everyone see all the great things we have going on here at the Health Department.

Booths included blood pressure checks, handwashing, family planning, look before you lock, WIC, Immunizations, emergency planning, heart health and vaping. Thank you to everyone who stopped by!



Kelly and Cheryl attended a Health Emergency Plan Workshop in Wichita in April. Good information was provided as well as great partner collaboration.



Kelly attended the KS Public Health Billing Symposium for a couple days in April. Billing procedures are always being updated so keeping up with the most current information allows us to provide the best service for our clients.



## Administrative Assistant's Day 2023!

## Love Is in The Air!

Congratulations to Stephanie Short and Tyler Norris on their recent marriage! Stephanie is one of our home health nurses.



## Kindergarten Roundup

On May 2<sup>nd</sup>, Norma represented the Health Department at the annual Kindergarten Roundup held at the Wellington High School. Norma provided immunization updates and other 'healthful' information!

## Safe Sleep Instructor

### ABC's of Safe Sleep

Babies are safest when they are:

- ★ Alone
- ★ On their back
- ★ In a crib



Our Public Health Supervisor, Sarah Pond, obtained her Safe Sleep Instructor certification this May. The purpose is to reduce infant mortality by increasing infant safe sleep. Sarah teaches a safe sleep course with her Nurturing Nurse Program.

## Paint The Towne!

We had the best team building activity when a group of us went to Paint The Towne in Wichita. We spent the evening visiting, laughing and painting! It was neat to see the same design develop into very individual paintings. We have some pretty talented staff!



Sarah Pond and Cheryl Wright went to Overland Park the first part of May and attended the Kansas Infectious Disease Symposium. Information on emerging public health issues was provided over two days by experts from the public and private sectors.

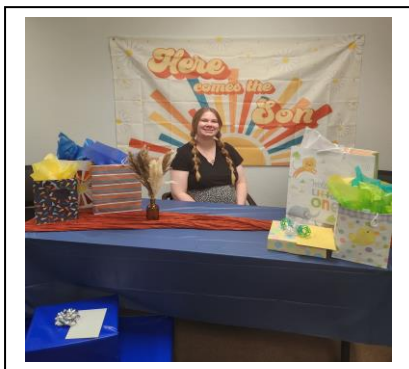


## Disaster Epidemiology Training



In May, Cheryl Wright attended a 3-day disaster epidemiology course, which included assessment of chemical exposures and Community Assessment for Public Health Emergency Response. The training provided tools, activities and decision-making skills that will help to better respond to and recover from any disaster.

## Here Comes the Son!



We had a baby shower for our receptionist, Shelbie White, at the end of June. Shelbie and her husband Alex are expecting their first baby in August. Congratulations!

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## Sumner's Anatomy

In June the home health and in-home services staff had their monthly in-service. During this time, they did a little team building by having a "Do you know your anatomy?" contest. Our staff know their stuff! Great job everyone!



## Nurse's Week 2023

## Nurturing Nurse at Home

Sarah Pond, our Public Health Supervisor, has been busy building and promoting our Nurturing Nurse at Home program! The program is for any mom who is pregnant or who has a baby up to one year of age. Lots of great information is provided!



## Coming Up!

The year is half through and we have some awesome events planned in the coming months! During the Wheat Festival we will have our Mother's Room open after hours. We will also be at the Youth Health Fair in Caldwell reviewing the concerns of vaping.

In August we have Chamber Coffee in Wellington and we are having a Back 2 School Immunization clinic on Aug 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>.

On September 16<sup>th</sup>, we will be hosting a Community Baby Shower in Wellington and we will be attending the Caldwell Safety Day on September 22nd! We love doing outreach in Sumner county!

## COMMUNITY IMMUNITY

Achieving IMMUNITY by joining together as a COMMUNITY

In June, Sarah Pond and Julie Hibbs attended the 2023 Immunization Conference in Salina that was hosted by KDHE. The conference is a great opportunity to hear what is new and upcoming with immunizations and also a great time to network with others from around the State of Kansas.

## KALHD

Kelly Lacey, Health Department Director, attended the KALHD mid-year meeting during the last week of June. KALHD, Kansas Association of Local Health Departments, is a non-profit organization dedicated to strengthening local health departments. Their mid-year and annual meetings review current topics, policies and legislative activity that has an impact on local health departments. The sole purpose of KALHD is to improve and protect the health of all Kansans. They are a great organization to have on our side!