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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Andrew Warlen, Cass County Health Department

June 2019

Dear Colleagues,

I hope everyone is safe and able to enjoy the nice weather (when it's not raining). Several of my friends and colleagues have been impacted by the severe weather, flooding and/or tornadoes. The weather has really had an impact this year. My thoughts and wishes are with everyone affected. It is also interesting that as I write this, it is the beginning of June and my kids are still in school. My kids are

definitely ready to be done and move on to summer activities. I visited a Farmers' Market for the first time this year this past weekend. In honor of that, I have a farmer joke. What do farmers use to make crop circles? A pro-tractor.

I am happy to announce that phase II of the #HealthierMO initiative was approved for funding by the Missouri Foundation for Health (MFH) and the Health Forward Foundation (HFF) and work is underway. One of the largest components of Phase II is developing a Foundational Public Health Model for Missouri. To do this, a workgroup has been formed to work on this task. The 24 person workgroup is made up of Rep.s from local public health agencies, academia, and the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services. For the majority of the members, this will be their biggest involvement with #HealthierMO. I had the privilege of inviting several of the members to be on the workgroup. I was so thrilled with the responses I received. I know how busy everyone is, so I was amazed by everyone's willingness to contribute their time and expertise. In fact, I believe only one person out of everyone invited, declined the invitation to be on the workgroup and that was because of other commitments. I look forward to seeing the work product of this group. The first meeting was delayed because of weather but has been rescheduled for the end of June.

In other #HealthierMO news, I want to share Robert Niezgoda has submitted a letter of resignation from his roles in the #HealthierMO initiative. Robert has been an important part of this project since its beginning and his leadership and contributions will be missed. I thank him for his many years of service to #HealthierMO and to promoting public health in Missouri. I wish him the best as he tackles new challenges.

I hope you enjoy the newsletter. As always, please give us your comments and suggestions and we always welcome submissions. We are all interested in the public health advances you are making in your community.

Best Regards,

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President, Missouri Public Health Association



Calendar of Events

July 18, 2019 **Board Meeting** *Jefferson City, MO*

September 24-26, 2019

Joint Annual Conference

Holiday Inn Executive Center

Columbia, MO

November 2019 **APHA Annual Meeting**

November 14, 2019 **Education Workshop**

January 16, 2020 **Board Meeting** *Jefferson City, MO*

April 2, 2020 **Board Meeting** Jefferson City, MO

April 2020 **Education Workshop**

July 16, 2020 **Board Meeting** *Jefferson City*, MO

September 22-24, 2020 Joint Annual Conference Central Missouri

November 2020 APHA Annual Meeting

November 2020 **Education Workshop**

All Board Meetings begin at 10 am unless otherwise noted.

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Go to pages 8-12 for a tentative agenda of the Joint Annual Conference.





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The legislative session has finally drawn to a close here in Missouri. This 100th meeting of the General Assembly was plagued by obstruction, infighting, and controversy at nearly every step of the process. In the final two days, the productivity of the legislature as a whole increased substantially. There was a total of 94 bills Truly Agreed To and Finally Passed, 17 of those bills were Budget Bills.

On the final day of session, a very controversial abortion bill was passed as part of a larger deal with the conservative caucus to open up other bills for passage. The Governor, Speaker of the House, and other prominent players lent their support to the bill in the final days of the session. The bill passed 110-44. This move followed other states in recent days also passing highly restrictive abortion bills in a move that appears to be a challenge to the Roe v. Wade standard, despite elected officials' insistence on the bill being a good faith effort to create a stronger pro -life standard in the state. Court challenges are expected. Because of this sweeping push for pro-life legislation, the order in the House chamber was briefly lost during debate by a large number of protestors shouting and chanting from the upper galleries. Many raised their fist in a pro-choice show of solidarity. This is perhaps the most controversial topic in American politics and this week Missouri was thrust into the eye of a hurricane.

The Governor's Office is more than satisfied, having been granted many of their priorities for this session, which included passing meaningful legislation for workforce development and infrastructure.

Two of the most prominent bills on **Legislation** the policy side were the **Prescription Drug Monitoring** Program and Wayfair language, which aimed to seize on internet sales transaction from out of state, never saw the light of day, having been pushed aside amid Twitter spats and obstruction from the conservative caucus. The Senate caucus itself was not very productive, drawing ire from House on Substance Abuse Prevention members who saw their bills go to die in the face of numerous filibusters or threats of filibuster in the other chamber.

Oftentimes the best offense is a good defense, and this session was rooted in this adage. Numerous bills that would be crippling to local governments, universities, and other organizations died in the legislative process, aided in part by the lack of bills that passed this year and a strong network of lobbyists and community leaders providing sound testimony in opposition and that's something that all Missourians can be proud of.

Politics is a long game and while we look to the legislature to be productive, there were multiple bad bills this year, standing out among years past, and the worst ones did not get through. For the most part, this can be seen as a victory. We won this round. Thanks to all for all you do and thanks for making this a great session.

In Memory of J. Scott Marrs

Truly Agreed To and Finally Passed **Health Care**

SB 514, sponsored by Senator Sater, modifies several health care provisions. The following provisions are included in the bill:

TASK FORCE ON SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION AND **TREATMENT**

This bill establishes the Task Force and Treatment. The task force is made up of six members of the House of Rep.s appointed by the Speaker, six members of the Senate appointed by the President Pro Tem, and four members appointed by the Governor. The committee must meet at least once during each legislative session and will conduct hearings on current and future drug and substance abuse, explore solutions to substance abuse issues, and draft or modify legislation as necessary to reach the goals of finding and funding education and treatment solutions to combat drug and substance use and abuse. The committee will send a report of recommendations for legislation to the Governor and the General Assembly each year.

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HEALTH PROFESSIONAL STUDENT LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM This provision adds psychiatrists to the Health Professional Student Loan Repayment Program. The Department of Health and Senior Services shall designate areas of need for psychiatric services when such areas have been designated as mental health care Page 85 of 93 professional shortage areas by the federal Department of Health and Human Services or when the Director of the Department of Health and Senior Services has determined such areas to have an extraordinary need.

REPORTS REGARDING CHILDREN EXPOSED TO CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES

This provision requires health care providers to refer to children's division families in which infants are born and identified as affected by substance abuse withdrawal symptoms resulting from prenatal drug exposure, or a Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder.

PREGNANCY-ASSOCIATED MORTALITY

This bill establishes the "Pregnancy -Associated Mortality Review Board" within the Department of Health and Senior Services It is designated to improve data collection and reporting regarding maternal mortality and to develop initiatives that support at-risk populations. Before June 30, 2020, and each year thereafter, the board shall submit a report on maternal mortality in the state and proposed recommendations to the Director of the Centers for Disease

Control and Prevention, the Director of the Department of Health Page 86 of 93 and Senior Services, the Governor, and the General Assembly.

INFECTION DATA REPORTING This bill specifies that hospitals and the Department of Health and Senior Services shall not be required to comply with infection data reporting requirements if the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) also requires the submission of such data, except that the department shall post a link on its website to the publicly reported data on CMS's website. Additionally, hospitals that have established antimicrobial stewardship programs shall meet the National Healthcare Safety Network requirements for reporting antimicrobial usage or resistance when CMS's conditions of participation become effective. Nothing shall prohibit a hospital from voluntarily reporting the data prior to the effective date of the conditions of participation.

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS

These provisions modify current law relating to supervision agreements between physicians assistants and supervising physicians by changing such agreements to collaborative practice arrangements with collaborating physicians.

Collaborative practice arrangements shall delegate to the physician assistant the authority to prescribe, administer, or dispense drugs, including certain controlled substances, and provide treatment

to patients. Geographic proximity requirements shall be determined by the Board of Registration for the Healing Arts. Further requirements of collaborative practice arrangements are specified in the bill. No collaborative practice arrangement shall supersede existing hospital licensing regulations governing hospital medication orders for inpatient or emergency care. Additionally, the physician assistant program accrediting entity is changed under this bill to include other accreditation programs.

ELECTRONIC PRESCRIBING Beginning January 1, 2021, no person shall issue a prescription for any Schedule II, III, or IV controlled substance unless the prescription is electronic and made to a pharmacy, excluding prescriptions issued in circumstances specified. Pharmacists receiving a written, oral, or faxed prescription shall not be required to verify that the prescription falls into one of the exceptions and may continue to dispense medication from an otherwise valid non-electronic prescription. An individual who violates this provision may be subject to disciplinary action by his or her professional licensing board.

OPIOID PRESCRIPTIONS FOR SICKLE CELL PATIENTS

This provision excludes patients undergoing treatment for sickle cell disease from the initial opioid prescription limitations in current law.

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VETERANS' HEALTH CARE FUND Allows the Department of Health and Senior Services to establish a fee if the funds in the Missouri Veterans' Health Care Fund are insufficient to provide for the administration of the provisions of Article XIV of the Constitution.

HOSPITAL INSPECTIONS

The Department of Health and Senior Services is prohibited from assigning an individual to inspect or survey a hospital if the inspector or surveyor was an employee of such hospital or another hospital within its organization or a competing hospital within 50 miles of the hospital to be inspected or surveyed within the previous two years. The department shall require inspectors or surveyors to disclose the name of every hospital in which he or she was employed in MO HEALTHNET BENEFITS FOR the previous 10 years, the length of service, and the job title held, as well as the same information for any immediate family member employed at a hospital. Such information shall be considered a public record. If any person has reason to believe that an inspector or surveyor has any personal or business affiliation that would result in a conflict of interest, he or she may notify the department. If the department has reason to believe the information to be true, the department shall not assign the inspector or surveyor to the hospital or any hospital within its organization.

CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANTS This bill requires certified nursing assistant training programs to be

offered at skilled nursing or intermediate care facility units in Missouri veteran homes and hospitals. Certified nursing assistants shall include certain employees at such units and hospitals who have completed the training and passed the certification examination. The Department of Health and Senior Services may offer additional training programs and certifications to students already certified as nursing assistants as specified in the bill.

TICKET TO WORK HEALTH ASSURANCE PROGRAM This bill extends the Ticket to Work Health Assurance Program's expiration date from August 28, 2019, to August 28, 2025.

FORMER FOSTER YOUTH Persons who reside in Missouri, are at least 18 years of age and under 26, and who have received foster care for at least six months in another state shall be eligible for MO HealthNet benefits.

MEDICAID PER DIEM REIMBURSEMENT RATES Any intermediate care facility or skilled nursing facility participating in MO HealthNet that incurs total capital expenditures in excess of \$2,000 per bed shall be entitled to obtain a recalculation of its Medicaid per diem reimbursement rate based on its additional capital costs or all costs incurred during the facility fiscal year during which such capital expenditures were made.

TELEHEALTH

This bill repeals the sunset provision on the utilization of telehealth for advanced practice registered nurses in rural areas of need.

UNANTICIPATED OUT-OF-NETWORK HEALTH CARE SERVICES This specifies that health care professionals shall, rather than may, utilize the process outlined in statute for claims for unanticipated out-of-network care.

HEALTH INSURANCE REIMBURSEMENT

Health carriers and entities acting on their behalf from restricting methods of reimbursement to a method requiring health care providers to pay a fee to redeem the amount of their claim for reimbursement, discount the amount of their claim for reimbursement, or remit any other form of remuneration in order to redeem the amount of their claim for reimbursement. Health carriers initiating or changing the method of reimbursement to such forms shall notify health care providers of the fee, discount, or other remuneration required to receive reimbursement through the new or different method and provide clear instructions to the provider as to how to select an alternative payment method. A health carrier shall allow the provider to select to be reimbursed electronically. Violation of these provisions shall be deemed an unfair trade practice under the Unfair Trade Practice Act.

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This bill was Truly Agreed to and Finally Passed.

Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations

SB 391, sponsored by Senator Bernskoetter, modifies provisions relating to concentrated animal feeding operations. This bill was Truly Agreed to and Finally Passed.

This bill specifies that any orders, ordinances, rules, or regulations promulgated by county commissions and county health center boards may not impose standards or requirements on an agricultural operation and its appurtenances that are inconsistent with or more stringent than any of law, rules, or regulations relating to the Department of Health and Senior Services, environmental control. the Department of Natural Resources, air conservation, and water pollution.

Currently, notice of intent to file an application for an operating permit for a new or expanded facility is sent to property owners within 1.5 times the buffer distances for concentrated animal feeding operations provided in law. The bill requires that notice be given to property owners located within three times of such buffer distances and that the notice be sent by certified mail. Construction on a new or expanded facility may not begin until the Department of Natural Resources has issued an operating permit to the owner or operator of such facility. Currently, the administrators of the

Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation Indemnity Fund may only expend moneys in the fund for animal waste lagoon closure activities on real property where the state, county, or municipal government, or an agency thereof, has made reasonable and prudent efforts to sell said property to a qualifying purchase. The bill allows money to be expended for animal waste lagoon closure activities on real property where the state, county, or municipal government, or an agency thereof, has made reasonable and prudent efforts to remediate the property. All liquefied manure from a concentrated animal feeding operation that is purchased or received by a third party and is surface applied must maintain an application setback of at least 50 feet from a property boundary, 300 and associations, excluding any feet from any public drinking water lake, 300 feet from any public drinking water intake structure, 100 feet from any perennial and intermittent streams without vegetation abutting such streams, and 35 feet from any perennial and intermittent streams with vegetation abutting such streams.

If the Department of Natural Resources promulgates rules providing for a distance requirement for the application of liquefied manure from a concentrated animal feeding operation that are stricter than such setbacks, such rules apply to the spread of all liquefied manure under these provisions. Any violation is subject to the penalties

set forth in the Missouri Clean Water Law for unlawful acts.

Health Care

SB 275, sponsored by Senator Sater, modifies provisions relating to health care. This bill contains the following provisions:

SENIOR SERVICES

This bill establishes the "Senior Services Growth and Development Program" within the Department of Health and Senior Services to provide additional funding for senior services through area agencies on aging. Beginning January 1, 2020, the Director of the Department of Revenue shall deposit 5%, phased in over two years, of the premium tax collected from certain insurance companies moneys statutorily mandated to be transferred to the State School Moneys Fund and excluding the cost of collection, in the "Senior Services Growth and Development Program Fund." The moneys collected shall be placed in a special fund in the State Treasury and the Department of Health and Senior Services shall disburse the funds to the area agencies on aging. All area agencies shall report annually to the Department of Health and Senior Services, the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, and the General Assembly on the distribution and use of the funds.

DENTAL PRESCRIPTIONS

This bill specifies that long-acting or extended-release opioids shall not be used to treat acute pain in dentistry. If the dentist, in his or her professional judgment, believes a longacting or extendedrelease opioid is necessary to treat the patient, the dentist shall document and explain in the patient's dental record the reason for the necessity for the long-acting or extended-release opioid. Dentists shall avoid prescribing doses greater than 50 Morphine Milligram Equivalents (MME) per day for treatment of acute pain. If the dentist believes doses greater than 50 MME are necessary to treat the patient, the dentist shall document and explain the reason for the dose greater than 50 MME. The Missouri Dental Board is required to maintain an MME conversion chart and instructions for calculating MMEs on its website.

TECHNOLOGIST LICENSURE This bill establishes the "Joint Task Force on Radiologic Technologist Licensure." The purpose of the task The task force shall focus on force is to review the current status of licensure of radiologic technologists and develop a plan to address the most appropriate method to protect public safety when radiologic imaging and radiologic procedures are utilized. The task force membership shall include two members of the Senate and two members of the House of Rep.s and shall meet within 30 days of its creation. The task force shall service without

compensation but may have reimbursement for actual and necessary expenses.

This bill was Truly Agreed to and Finally Passed.

Reimbursement Allowance Taxes

SB 29, sponsored by Senator Hegeman, extends the sunsets from September 30, 2019 to September 30, 2020, for the Ground Ambulance, Nursing Facility, Medicaid Managed Care Organization, Hospital, Pharmacy, and Intermediate Care Facility for the Intellectually Disabled Reimbursement Allowance taxes.

This bill was Truly Agreed to and Finally Passed.

Insurance Innovation Task Force

SB 414, sponsored by Senator Wieland, creates the "Missouri Health Insurance Innovation Task Force" with the purpose of soliciting concepts and making JOINT TASK FORCE ON RADIOLOGIC recommendations for a Section 1332 Innovation Waiver application The bill shall not be construed to under the Affordable Care Act.

> improving access to health care, decreasing premiums, and increasing the number of carriers. The task force shall consist of members specified in the bill, with the Director of the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration to serve as chair. Members shall serve without compensation, but members and staff shall be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses. The director

may expend funds as necessary to conduct the business of the task force, including commissioning actuarial reviews of waiver concepts considered by the task force. Unless the deadline is extended by majority vote of the task force, no later than December 31, 2019, the chair shall complete a final report of the task force's activities and recommendations, to be delivered to the Governor, Speaker of the House, and President Pro Tem of the Senate. Recommendations of the task force shall be revenue neutral and shall be approved by a majority of the task force members.

The bill authorizes the department to work with the task force and with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to develop innovative ways to transform the health insurance marketplace and to submit applications for a Section 1332 Innovation Waiver under the Affordable Care Act.

permit the department, or any other state agency, to implement or operate a state-based exchange or to facilitate in the operation of a federally facilitated marketplace as otherwise prohibited by law. However, the state may take over ancillary administrative functions in furtherance of the objectives of the bill. Provided the General Assembly accepts the task force's findings by filing with the Secretary of State no later than March 15, 2020 a petition signed by 2/3 of each chamber, the director shall, subject

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to approval by the Governor and no later than December 31, 2020, or as soon as practicable following the enactment of any legislation necessary for the state to qualify, submit an application to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services seeking approval of a Section 1332 Innovation Waiver based on the recommendations of the task force.

This bill was Truly Agreed to and Finally Passed.

Failure to Wear a Seatbelt

SB 30, sponsored by Senator Hegeman, allows evidence of failure to wear a seatbelt to prove comparative negligence, causation, absence of defect, and failure to mitigate damages, Currently, in any civil action to recover damages, failure to wear a safety belt is not allowed as evidence of comparative negligence, but may be introduced to mitigate damages. This bill specifies that in actions arising out of the design, construction, manufacture, distribution, or sale of a motor vehicle factory equipped with a safety belt, failure to wear a safety belt by the plaintiff shall be admissible as evidence of comparative negligence or fault, causation, absence of a defect or hazard, and failure to mitigate damages.

This bill has been Truly Agreed to and Finally Passed.

Helmet Rules

SB 147, sponsored by Senator Sater, allows qualified motorcycle and motor-tricycle operators, 18 years or older, to operate without a helmet if they have both medical insurance and proof of financial responsibility under Chapter 303, RSMo. Proof of coverage may be shown using a copy of the operator's insurance card.

This bill was Truly Agreed to and Finally Passed.

Simon's Law

HB 138, sponsored by Rep. Kidd, establishes "Simon's Law," which changes the laws regarding life sustaining or non-beneficial treatment policies of health care facilities. This bill establishes Simon's Law that adds one new section to the law relating to lifesustaining treatment policies of health care facilities. The bill prohibits a health care facility. nursing home, physician, nurse, or medical staff from instituting a donot resuscitate order, or similar physician's order for any child who is not emancipated or under juvenile or family court jurisdiction without oral or written permission of at least one parent or legal guardian. The bill includes provisions for exceptions when parents or legal guardians are not successfully contacted after diligent efforts, for children under court jurisdiction, and those with relative caretakers. Permission previously given under the provisions of the bill may be revoked in writing by the legal guardian or either parent of the patient. The provisions do not require any treatment to be continued if it is medically

inappropriate or would not result in further benefit or recovery of the patient.

This bill has been Truly Agreed to and Finally Passed.

Healthcare

HB 399, sponsored by Rep. Basye, changes the laws relating to health care. This bill contains the following provisions:

SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS
This bill establishes the "Ensuring
Access to High Quality Care for the
Treatment of Substance Use
Disorders Act." The bill requires
that medication-assisted treatment
(MAT) services shall include
pharmacologic and behavioral
therapies. All MAT medications
must be placed on the lowest costsharing tier of the formulary
managed by the health insurer or
the pharmacy benefits manager.

MAT services shall not be subject to: (1) Annual or lifetime dollar limitations; (2) Financial requirements and quantitative treatment limitations that do not comply with the Mental Health Parity and Addition Equity Act of 2008; (3) Step therapy that conflicts with a prescribed course of treatment; and (4) Prior authorization for MAT services. The health care benefits and MAT services required by the bill apply to all health insurance plans in the state. Any treatment program must disclose the MAT services it provides, as well as which of its level of care have been certified.

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MO HealthNet must cover the MAT enrolled in MO HealthNet, and the medications and services provided for in this section. Drug courts and other diversion programs must ensure that all persons under their c During the home visits, the vendor shall document if the attendant was present and providing services as set forth in the plan of care and report to the DHSS if the attendant is not present or providing services, which may result in a suspension of within 20 days of receiving services to the consumer.

The bill repeals language permitting the DHSS to establish certain pilot projects for telephone tracking systems. This bill requires vendors to notify consumers during orientation that falsification of personal care attendant time sheets shall be considered and reported to the DHSS as fraud. A vendor shall submit an annual financial statement audit or annual financial statement review performed by a certified public accountant to the DHSS upon request. The DHSS shall require the NETWORK HEALTH CARE SERVICES vendor to maintain a business location in compliance with any and all city, county, state, and federal requirements.

OFFENDER MO HEALTHNET **BENEFITS**

This bill specifies that MO HealthNet benefits shall be suspended, rather than canceled or DISABILITIES terminated, for an offender entering a correctional facility or jail if the Department of Social Services is notified of the person's entry into the correctional center or jail, the person was currently

person is otherwise eligible for MO HealthNet benefits but for his or her incarcerated status. Upon release from incarceration, the suspension shall end and the person shall continue to be eligible for MO HealthNet benefits until such time as he or she is otherwise ineligible. The Department of Corrections shall notify the **Department of Social Services** information that person receiving MO HealthNet benefits is or will become an offender in a correctional center or jail and within 45 days prior to the release of such person whose benefits have been suspended under this bill. City, county, and private jails shall notify the Department of Social Services within 10 days of receiving information that person receiving MO HealthNet benefits is or will become an offender in the jail.

UNANTICIPATED OUT-OF-Currently, utilizing the unanticipated out-of-network process is optional. This bill requires health care professionals to utilize the process outlined in statute for claims for charges for unanticipated out-of-network care.

HEALTH CARE FOR PERSONS WITH

This bill adds therapeutic care for "developmental or physical disabilities," as defined in the bill, to the insurance coverage mandate from restricting methods of for autism spectrum disorders, and makes the mandate applicable to

policies issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2020, rather than to group policies only. The bill specifies that autism spectrum disorder will not be subject to any limits on the number of visits an individual may make to an autism service provider. Coverage for therapeutic care provided under the bill for developmental and physical disabilities may be limited to a number of visits per calendar year, provided that additional visits shall be covered if approved and deemed medically necessary by the health benefit plan. Provisions requiring coverage for autism spectrum disorders and developmental or physical disabilities shall not apply to certain grandfathered, preempted, or supplemental plans as described in the bill. This bill repeals a provision of law directing the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration to grant small employers waivers from the coverage requirements under certain circumstances. The bill also repeals a provision requiring the department to submit annual reports to the legislature and requiring health carriers to supply certain diagnosis and coverage information for the report. These provisions apply to policies issued, delivered, or renewed on or after January 1, 2020.

METHODS OF REIMBURSEMENT This bill prohibits health carriers reimbursement which require

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health care providers to pay a fee to redeem the amount of their claim for reimbursement. Health carriers changing the reimbursement method used shall notify health care providers whether any fee is required to receive reimbursement through the new or different method. For health benefit plans issued, delivered, or renewed on or after August 28, 2019, the provider will be able to select an alternative method of reimbursement which does not require a fee. Violation of these provisions shall be deemed an unfair trade practice under the Unfair Trade Practice Act.

This bill was Truly Agreed to and Finally Passed.

Budget

House Bill 10 passed with a compromise for additional aid to public health at \$250,000.00.

Additional Legislation (legislation tracked but did not make it to the end) Agricultural Inspections

HB 951, sponsored by Rep. Haden, specifies that the Missouri Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources, the county sheriff for the county in which the facility is located, the United States Department of Agriculture, and any other federal or Missouri state agency with statutory or regulatory **PDMP** authority have exclusive authority to inspect the grounds or facilities in Missouri used for the production of eggs, milk or other dairy products, raising of livestock, or the production or raising of dogs or

other animals not used to produce any food product. Unless requested by the owner of the facility, no other entity may inspect companion bill SB 155, sponsored the grounds or facilities to enforce or carry out the laws or administrative rules of another state. This bill was voted out of the House and given a hearing in the Senate Agriculture Committee. The bill was voted out of the Senate Agriculture Committee, but no further action was taken on the bill.

Additionally, this bill had been amended onto SB 133, sponsored by Senator Cunningham, but it was stripped off in conference.

Confiscation of Animals

HB 204, sponsored by Rep. Anderson, modifies provisions relating to the confiscation of animals. This bill was voted out of the House and referred to the Senate Agriculture Committee. No further action was taken on this bill.

SB 115, sponsored by Senator Crawford, modifies provisions relating to the confiscation of animals. This bill was voted out of the Senate Agriculture Committee. No further action was taken on the bill.

HB 188, sponsored by Rep. Rehder, establishes the narcotics control act. This PDMP bill ended up stalled on the Senate Calendar the last several weeks of session. The bill was not brought up for floor

debate in the Senate due to threats of a filibuster from conservative caucus membership. It's by Senator Luetkemeyer, was also set on the Senate Calendar, but was never brought up for floor debate in the Senate.

Communicable Diseases

HB 167, sponsored by Rep. Rehder, modifies provisions regarding unlawful actions by persons knowingly infected with communicable diseases. This bill was set on the House Calendar. No further action was taken on the bill.

MO Healthnet Work Requirements

HB 183, sponsored by Rep. Trent, modifies provisions relating to public assistance benefits. This bill was set on the House Calendar. No further action was taken on the bill.

SB 76, sponsored by Senator Sater, requires certain MO HealthNet participants to comply with work and community engagement requirements. This bill was voted out of the Senate Committee on Seniors Families and Children. The bill was also brought up for floor debate in the Senate but was laid over on the informal calendar. No further action was taken on the bill.

HB 600, sponsored by Rep. Bondon, modifies provisions relating to Medicaid per diem reimbursement rates. This bill

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entitles any intermediate care facility or skilled nursing facility participating in MO HealthNet that incurs total capital expenditures in excess of \$2,000 per bed to obtain a recalculation of its Medicaid per diem reimbursement rate based on its additional capital costs or all costs incurred during the fiscal year during which such capital expenditures were made. The bill was set on the Senate Calendar. No further action was taken on the legislation.

SNAP

HB 474, sponsored by Rep. Eggleston, modifies provisions for temporary assistance to needy families and supplemental nutrition assistance programs. This bill was referred to the House Rules Committee. No further action was taken on the bill.

SB 4, sponsored by Senator Sater, modifies the law relating to work requirements for participants in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program. This bill was set on the Senate Calendar. No further action was taken on the bill.

Fetal Death Reports

HB 488, sponsored by Rep. Wilson, changes the laws relating to fetal death reports. Currently, a report is Pensions Committee. No further required for any fetal death occurring after 29 weeks of gestation. This bill changes that requirement to nine weeks of gestation. This bill had a hearing in the House Children and Families Committee. No further action was taken on the bill.

Immunizations

HB 711, sponsored by Rep. Morris, prohibits an elementary school, secondary school, public institution of higher education, day care, or physician's office from discriminating against a child because he or she has received a legal exemption to immunization requirements due to medical contraindications or religious beliefs. This bill had a public hearing in the House Health Mental Health Policy Committee. No further action was taken on the bill.

HB 1164, sponsored by Rep. Dottie, adds provisions relating to informed consent for vaccinations. This bill had a hearing in the House Health and

Mental Health Policy Committee. No further action was taken on the bill.

Litigation from Medical Marijuana

HB 829, sponsored by Rep. Wood, creates provisions stating any litigation that Missouri is involved in due to medical marijuana shall be paid out of the Department of Health and Senior Services' portion of the Missouri Veterans' Health and Care Fund. This bill was voted out of the Senate Health and action was taken on the bill.

Firearms

SB 121, sponsored by Senator Burlison, modifies provisions relating to the concealed carrying of firearms. This bill had a hearing in the Senate Transportation

Committee and no further action was taken on the bill. HB 258, sponsored by Rep. Taylor, modifies provisions relating to the concealed carrying of firearms. This bill had a hearing in the House General Laws Committee. This bill was also amended onto HB 575. which was voted out of the house and Senate Transportation Committee. No further action was taken on either of the bills.

HB 641, sponsored by Senator Hicks, allows the concealed carry of firearms on public transportation systems and the transporting of nonfunctioning or unloaded firearms on public buses. This bill had a hearing in House General Laws. The bill was voted out and of the Committee and was superseded by HB 643.

Water Fluoridation

SB 278, sponsored by Senator Wallingford, requires public water systems and public water supply districts that intend to modify their water supply fluoridation to seek and receive information about the impact from the local health department. This bill was voted out of the Senate Commerce Committee and set on the Senate Calendar. No further action was taken on the bill.

Affiliate Rep. to the Governing Council (ARGC)

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Missouri Affiliate Rep. to the Governing Council (MO ARGC)



On April 12, MPHA hosted the Ninth Region VII Annual Meeting (MINK) Conference Agenda in Kansas City. The theme was Creating the Healthiest Region through Partnerships and Science. The meeting included wonderful presentations on thought provoking topics:

8:30 am - 8:45 am	Welcome and Introductions Captain Shary Jones, PharmD., MPH, BCPS Acting Regional Health Administrator, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health	
8:45 am - 9:45 am	Rex Archer, MD, MPH Unleashing Public Health's Power Director of Health, Kansas City, MO	
9:50 am - 10:50 am	Casey Parnell Transforming the Future of Public Health in Missouri #HealthierMO Project Manager	
11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Sarah Hampl, MD Partnering for Healthy Weight in Missouri Children Professor of Pediatrics, University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Medicine	
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Lunch and Networking	
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm	Accreditation Panel: Successes and Future Plans	
2:30 pm - 3:00 pm	MINK Successes and Future Priorities	

The presentations are available on MPHA's website. The presentation were recorded by the Midwestern Public Health Training Center and are available on their website at http://www.mphtc.org/education-

training/mphtc-webinars/

APHA awarded MPHA a \$1000.00 grant to host an education table at the MINK conference and facilitate discussion about the All of Us initiative at the Ninth Region VII Annual Meeting (MINK) Conference.

The APHA Council of Affiliates (CoA), Intersectional Council Steering Committee (ISC SC), Student Assembly (SA) and Caucus Collaborative (CC) meet annually in June in Washington, DC. The meeting focus is to bring together all of the components of APHA and discuss current priorities and plans for the annual meeting.



and Caucus Collaborative Chairs at the Mid-Year meeting in Washington DC on June 10, 2019.

Northwest Chapter Report

Erin Sanders, Platte County Health Department

The Northwest Chapter of the Missouri Public Health Association did not meet in April. Members were encouraged to attend the ninth annual Region VII Affiliates of the American Public Health Association Meeting that was held in Kansas City, MO on April 12.

The next meeting of the Northwest Chapter is scheduled at 11:30 AM on Tuesday, July 9, 2019 at Mid-America Regional Council in Kansas City. Lyndall Fraker will be speaking about medical marijuana in Missouri. All interested parties are encouraged to attend.

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Are you a member of APHA but not currently a member of MPHA? We need your membership to further the message of public health in Missouri.

The benefits of being a member of MPHA include:

- Three newsletters a year filled with up-to-date information
- Legislative updates on Missouri issues as well as national topics impacting Missourians
- Annual meeting with other public health professionals
- Statewide network of public health professionals

If you are interested in membership in MPHA, please contact Dan Luebbert, Platte County Health Department, 816-858-2412, Dan.luebbert@plattehealth.com or complete the membership form on the back page and return it to the MPHA office.

NEW MPHA MEMBERS

Kara Clovis, Audrain Developmental Disability Services Kari Neill, Humana (Central Region)

Tobacco Free Missouri

Jenna Wintemberg

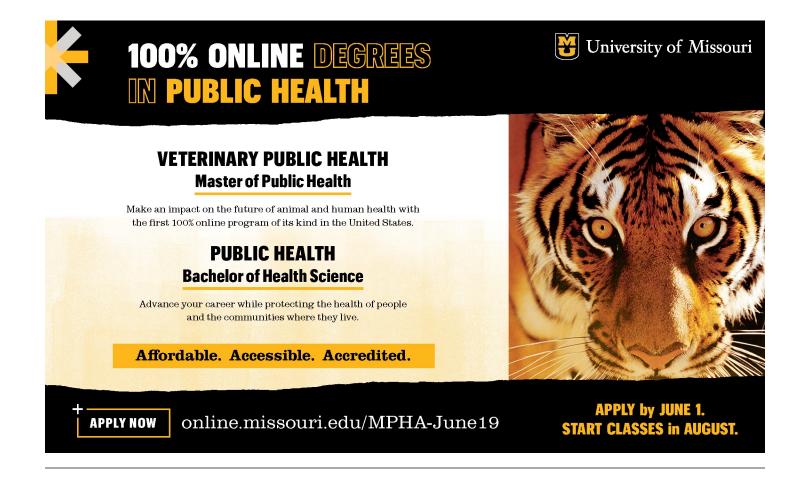
Tobacco Free Missouri congratulations the following communities and campuses on the passage of best practice tobacco control policies!

In **Eldon**, the Board of Aldermen voted 6-0 Tuesday to increase the tobacco sales age from 18 to 21 (effective March 27, 2019). "I couldn't tell you how proud I am to be a member of this community," Miller County Health Center Administrator Mike Herbert said. "The implementation of Tobacco 21 is another clear indicator that the city of Eldon wants to be an even better place for us to live, work, play and raise our families." The ordinance includes the creation of a tobacco control board consisting of the city administrator, city marshal or police chief, and city attorney. The board will issue licenses to retailers.

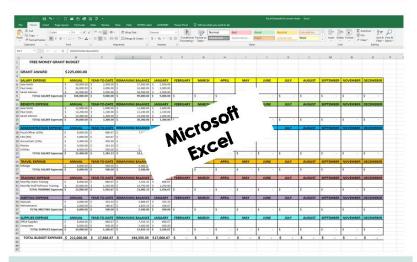
This was closely followed by passage of a Tobacco 21 bill in **Hallsville** (effective April 8, 2019). There are now 20 local T21 policies in Missouri representing 38.1% of the state population.

This spring **Warrensburg** updated their local smokefree ordinance to include e-cigarettes. E-cigarette use is now prohibited in public workplaces, restaurants, and bars.

The **University of Missouri** campus ended its first academic year as a tobacco free campus. Beginning in August 2018 the MU campus expanded its policy to prohibit the use of combustible tobacco, smokeless tobacco, and e-cigarette/vape products by students, faculty, staff, and visitors on the campus grounds. The campus provides free tobacco cessation resources and utilizes trained student Wellness Ambassadors to educate the campus community on the policy.



NON-PROFITS WORKING SMARTER



How to get the most out of Microsoft Office Products for Non-Profits

Non-profit organizations are forced to do more with less; less money and fewer staff. The best option to meet increasing demands is getting the most out of the available technology; but how?

- Make the spreadsheet do the work for you.
- Let Outlook sort your emails and alert you to important emails.
- Design presentations with impact.

LET'S GET TRAINING



What Classes?

Microsoft Excel I (fundamentals)
Microsoft Excel II (formulas & charts)
Microsoft Outlook
Microsoft PowerPoint

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Sending staff to training can be very expensive, so bring the trainer to you instead. Nancy Aguirre has almost 20 years' experience working in local government with Microsoft Office products in Accounting, Grants Management, and as a Health Department Analyst. Nancy will travel to your offices to offer two (2) three-hour training classes each day. Nancy has successfully facilitated multiple sessions of all four classes offered. Participants have included many local health department representatives and can provide references upon request.

- The training can be the same class offered twice in the same day or two different classes (i.e. Excel and Outlook). The schedule to be chosen by your organization.
- Cost is based on a minimum of 10 participants per class (maximum 15) at \$25 per participant per class, plus travel expenses (mileage and hotel if applicable).
- One-on-one training available for an additional \$25 per hour while on-site.
- Training participants can be your organization staff alone, include community partners, subcontractor staff, volunteers, etc.

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Tuesday, September 24, 2019

12:30 pm Registration

1:00-4:00 pm **Conflict Resolution**

The training session will focus on how professionals in the public health field can better understand and manage the conflicts they experience in their work. Topics addressed will include the following: The causes and dynamics of conflict; The role of perceptions and needs in conflict; Understanding and managing emotions in conflict; De-escalating emotions in conflict; Conflict styles and their role in interactions; Strategies for managing conflicts effectively; The use of mediation and conflict coaching in conflict management. The training will include interactive activities to engage learners in the material, including large group discussion, small group work, role play, and/or fishbowl demonstrations.

Speaker: Dr. Charlene Berquist, Director, Center for Dispute Resolution, Professor, Department of Communication, Missouri State University; Heather Blades, Associate Director, Center for Dispute

Resolution

4:30-6:30 pm MoALPHA Session for New Administrators

5:00-6:30 pm MPHA Board Meeting (Off-Site)

Wednesday, September 25, 2019

7:00 am Exhibitor Set-Up and Continental Breakfast

8:00-10:00 am Registration and Poster Competition Set-Up

9:00-10:00 am MPHA General Membership Meeting

10:00-11:30 am **WELCOME**

Speaker: Dr. Randall Williams, Director, MODHSS (invited); Andrew Warlen, MPHA President; Kelley

Vollmar, MoALPHA President

TRANSFORMING THE FUTURE OF PUBLIC HEALTH- A #HEALTHIERMO UPDATE

A quick overview of Phase I and an update on the progress of Phase II of the HealthierMO initiative along with plans for the future.

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Speaker: Casey Parnell, #HealthierMO

OPENING SESSION

The Past, Present, and Future of Public Health in Missouri: Coming to Grips

Public health is a vital function for the health of all Missourians, but there is a widely recognized need for significant change to bring it up to 21st century standards. We'll take a brief look at the past and present state of public health in Missouri to understand the current status and how we got here. Then we'll explore ways that Missouri public health can move toward a more effective future that better meets the need of Missourians.

Speaker: Bob Hughes, PhD, President & CEO, Missouri Foundation for Health

11:30-1:00 pm Awards Luncheon

11:30-1:00 pm Poster Competition

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1:00 pm BREAKOUT WORKSHOPS

Standardizing the Non-Medical Exemption Process Across Missouri

Currently no federal vaccination law exists in the United States. The State of Missouri is one of 47 states that allows parents/guardians to obtain non-medical vaccine exemptions for their child. There is currently no standardized process for how parents/guardians can obtain non-medical exemptions. The need for a standardized non-medical exemption process in Missouri gained momentum due to a steady decline in vaccination rates among school-aged children and documented vaccine preventable illness outbreaks across the country. In March of 2019, Rep.s from Missouri Center for Public Health Excellence (MOCPHE) came together to form a non-medical exemption workgroup. The goal of the group was to create a standardized process for obtaining non-medical exemptions within the MOCPHE Local Public Health Agencies (LPHA). The workgroup created a standardized process that includes a required consent form, a questionnaire, and a clinical standard operating procedure. The MOCPHE workgroup proposes that they provide a presentation via a facilitated panel discussion on the topic have vaccine exemptions. The panel will represent LPHA's from across the state participating in the MOCPHE workgroup to improve and standardize the exemption process. The moderated panel will explore the challenges associated with vaccination exemptions, and the various components of the standardized exemption process. The panel participants will also explore the process for building consensus and resolving the differing opinions. The presentation will include resources for those in attendance that are interested in adopting the approach developed by the workgroup.

Moderator: Larry Jones, Springfield-Greene County Health Department; Panelists: Sara Evers, Tiffany Wilkinson, Stephanie Woehl, Trina Teacutter

Addressing the Epidemic of Youth Use of Juul and Other Electronic Smoking Devices

Learn about e-cigarettes, including Juul and the next generation products and their addiction potential. We will discuss the prevalence of this growing trend and perceptions of harm. Participants will have the opportunity to learn about interventions for prevention and treatment for those trying to quit.

Speaker: Dr. Kevin Everett; Jenna Wintemberg; Ginny Chadwick

Newborn Screening-Public Health Impacting Lives from Birth

Public Health touches every Missouri citizen within their first few days of life with the Newborn Screening Program. This breakout session will provide an overview of Newborn Screening performed in the State of Missouri, impacts of screening and public health interventions. Learn what new testing is on the horizon and how Newborn Screening is "Creating a Healthier Missouri"!

Speaker: Tracy Klug, Newborn Screening Laboratory Manager, MODHSS; Lori Swartz, Newborn Screening Follow-Up Manager, MODHSS

Developing a Communication Plan

A hepatitis A outbreak, a rabies exposure, a severe flu season, or an education campaign on immunizations – all demand the right message for the right audience at the right time. A well-planned message informs, educates, motivates, responds and persuades. Learn the basic components of a strong communication plan and techniques to focus messages and multiply resources. Communication planning prepares LPHAs to anticipate communication opportunities, create engaging messages, proactively allocate resources and effectively connect with audiences.

Speaker: Jaci McReynolds, MHA, Owner, Impact Advantage, LLC

2:30 pm Break with Exhibitors

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3:15 pm BREAKOUT WORKSHOPS

Opioid Vulnerability Assessment Project

The Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) received supplemental opioid crisis funding from the CDC to develop and disseminate vulnerability assessments that identify counties at high risk for 1) opioid overdoses and 2) bloodborne infections associated with nonsterile drug injection. DHSS staff will describe the process used to develop a draft document and partner with local public health agencies to gather feedback from a variety of stakeholders. The assessment methodology will be reviewed and preliminary findings shared. DHSS staff will also discuss next steps based on this work and provide suggestions of ways local partners could use the findings to address the opioid epidemic and related health concerns in their communities.

Speaker: Becca Mickels, MODHSS

HealthTran-Improving Rural Community Health by Reducing Transportation Barriers

HealthTran began in 2013 with a grant from the Missouri Foundation for Health with the intent of gathering data to improve health outcomes by reducing transportation barriers. HealthTran continues to grow in success as a program providing health access for patients in rural areas of Missouri.

Speaker: Melissa VanDyne, Executive Director, Missouri Rural Health Association; Mary Gordon,

Project Manager, HealthTran

Academic/Public Health Partnerships Forum

Brainstorming the expansion of academic healthier partnerships into Missouri. **Moderator: Lynelle Phillips, RN, MPH, University of Missouri-Columbia**

Missouri 2020 Census & Vote: Getting Out the Count and the Vote

In early 2020, there will be intense preparations for two critical events that will shape the future of Missouri's political life and its democracy. This session will address how LPHAs have an essential role in integrating efforts to mobilize residents for Census 2020 participation and exercising their right to vote, highlighting best practices and pitfalls.

Panelists: TBD

4:30 pm MoALPHA Board Meeting

6:00 pm MICH Board Meeting with Dinner

Thursday, September 26, 2019

7:30 am Registration and Continental Breakfast

7:30 am MoALPHA General Membership Meeting

8:30 am **GENERAL SESSION**

Missouri Budget Project: How Missouri Stacks Up

When Missourians have access to the resources that help them succeed in life, such as quality health care, education, and childcare, we are all stronger as communities, and as a state. Yet Missouri is falling behind. Decades of poor tax policy decisions now mean that Missouri doesn't invest in its communities like most of the nation, or surrounding states. This session will discuss common-sense changes to our tax code that will bring tax fairness for Missourians, as well as the resources our communities need to prosper.

Speakers: Lindsey Baker, Ph.D., Research Director, Missouri Budget Project

9:45 am Break with Exhibitors

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10:15 am **BREAKOUT WORKSHOPS**

Medical Marijuana

In November of 2018 the Missouri Voters approved Constitutional Amendment 2 legalizing Medical Marijuana. Status of the implementation and its impact on public health will be discussed.

Speaker: Lyndall Fraker, Medical Marijuana Director, MODHSS

Communication and Marketing

In an environment that is saturated with complex and often contradictory messages and information about health, clear communication in areas such as health promotion, disease prevention, public health directives, and health policy is of critical importance. Health literacy offers public health professionals a variety of practical, actionable strategies for improving communication with diverse public audiences, peer organizations, and allied practitioners in fields such as medicine, emergency management, and news media. Attendees will learn about strategies such as plain language and teach-back, and ways to apply them in a wide variety of communication channels, from email to social media.

Speaker: Christopher Casey, MPH, Senior Health Communication Coordinator, Health Literacy Media

How to Have Difficult Conversations

An interactive session where attendees will discuss the importance of having difficult conversations with staff and how to handle emotions during these conversations.

Speaker: Julie Herigon, BS, English Education, Staff Development and Training Coordinator, MODHSS

11:15 am Break with Exhibitors

11:30 am **BREAKOUT WORKSHOPS**

Exploring the Communications Echo Chamber and Ways to Escape

Do you ever feel like you talk about Public Health but are not getting through to your audience? This session will provide concepts, tools and resources to help you and your department become part of the public conversation.

Speaker: William D. Snook, M.S., Ed. Senior Information and Policy Officer, Kansas City Health Department; Jaci McReynolds, MHA, Owner, Impact Advantage, LLC

Working With Your County Commissioners

Learn how to collaborate with your County Commissioners, even if you have a local Board of Health. There are many mutual needs between the health department/board of health and the county commission. A panel will explain how to use these mutual needs to expand opportunities to work together.

Speaker: Charles Herbst, Association Commissioner, 2nd District (Cape Girardeau), President, County Commissioners Association of Missouri; Jane Wernsman, Director, Cape Girardeau County Public Health Center; JoAnn Martin, Administrator, Pettis County Health Center

Evaluation Based on the Foundational Public Health Services

This training session will highlight the importance of evaluating processes and systems in Public Health organizations improvement journey. Adopting evaluation and performance improvement standards and measures provided through the Missouri Institute for Community Health provides the framework necessary in this journey. Effectively using proven quality improvement principals and tools aimed at reducing variations within processes will be critical in building a good foundation for a sound QI Plan. This session will seek to provide answers to basic questions about a program's effectiveness while helping the audience to understand how data can be used to improve program services.

Speaker: Stephen Njenga, MPH, MHA,, CPHQ, CPPS, Director of Performance Measurement Compliance, Missouri Hospital Association

12:30 pm Luncheon

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1:00 pm

CLOSING SESSION

Building a Momentum Mindset: How to Conquer Change, Boost Resilience and Accelerate Your Success No Matter What Hits the Fan

Unexpected changes. "Stuff" hitting the fan. Business is tougher, more competitive and more unpredictable than ever. Doing more with less. Constant innovation. Regulatory, legal or policy changes being thrust upon you and your organization. Add to that dealing with tough issues at home and at work and life can become overwhelming. Change, uncertainty and disruption are guaranteed. But growth and progress are not. How you deal with this ever-changing high stress world is completely up to you. You have a choice. Your people have a choice. Your organization has a choice. To stay stuck or to develop a Momentum Mindset* so that you can move forward and grow with grit. Kim doesn't want you to just bounce back after change and adversity. She wants you to bounce higher and propel you forward – faster, further and stronger than ever before - no matter what work or life throws at you. Buckle up and hold on, because Kim is going to show you how to build a "Momentum Mindset*" where you push past limited thinking, get unstuck and use the challenges, change and adversity in your life as the fuel you need to accelerate success. Kim shares her own stories of resilience in life and business with healthy doses of vulnerability, humor and motivation. Leave this program equipped with the tools you need to transform your mindset, conquer change and challenges and create the everyday resilience required in this ever-changing complex world to build momentum and accelerate your success no matter what.

Speaker: Kim Becking, Motivational Speaker, Change & Leadership Expert

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

The Holiday Inn Executive Center is the site for the 2019 Joint Conference. A room rate of \$99.95 for single/double occupancy is available until September 3, 2019 by calling 573-445-8531.

Holiday Inn Executive Center 2200 I-70 SW Columbia, MO 65203

CANCELLATION POLICY

Cancellations can be made anytime on or before September 15, 2019 but will be charged a \$25 processing fee. No Refunds will be given after September 15, 2019.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Continuing Education will be available for Health Educators.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE

Please complete a registration form for each individual attending the conference. In order to receive pre-registration rates your registration form must be received at the MPHA office by September 15, 2019.

Mail form with payment to
MPHA, 722 E. Capitol Ave., Jefferson City, MO 65102
or fax the registration form to 573-635-7823.
If you have questions contact MPHA directly at
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How to Register

www.mopha.org

Registration information is available on the MPHA website under the Conference Registration. Watch your mail for a conference packet. Registration can be mailed to MPHA, 722 E. Capitol Avenue, Jefferson City, MO 65101, emailed to sboeckman@mopha.org or faxed to 573-635-7823.

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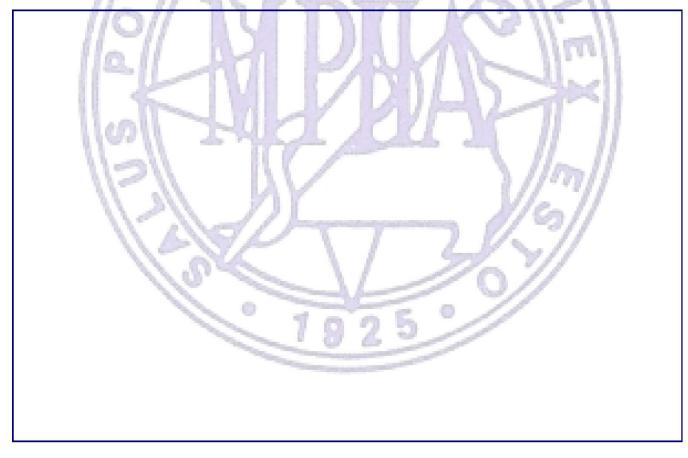
Award Nomination Form

To be awarded at the Annual Conference in September

TYPE OF AWARD					
W. Scott Johnson	Group Merit Award	Robert L Northcutt			
Publication Award	Media Award (Television Radio Newsletter)	Certificate of Merit			
Person/Agency Nominated: Name of Award:	SUPA				

In the space provided please describe in detail why this individual or organization deserves recognition at the 2018 Annual Conference. Please attach a brief description and/or published articles where appropriate (Attach additional sheet if needed).

Mail completed form to the Missouri Public Health Association, 722 E. Capitol Avenue, Jefferson City, MO 65101 no later than September 1, 2019. If you have questions, call 573-634-7977.



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MISSOURI PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION AWARDS

W. SCOTT JOHNSON AWARD: This is the most prestigious award presented by MPHA to an individual for distinguished service in the field of public health in Missouri. The award is given in commemoration of the skills, integrity, devotion to duty and constructive leadership which characterized the life of W. Scott Johnson.

GROUP MERIT AWARD: This award gives recognition to an agency or group making a significant contribution to public health in Missouri within the past five years. The agency or group may be local or statewide. It can be either an official or voluntary agency or group. However, if an official agency is nominated, the activity should have been beyond the usual public health activities engaged in by the agency. The agency or group need not be located in Missouri, if the contribution was made in the State of Missouri.

MEDIA AWARD: Media awards are given to recognize newspapers, radio and television stations making significant contributions to public health education in Missouri through the media in the past calendar year. There are three categories of awards: 1) newspaper, 2) radio, and 3) television. The media organizations nominated must be located in Missouri. A media award may be given for a single series, or for cumulative publications or programs, occurring within the calendar year prior to the annual meeting. Each MPHA chapter may select and submit one nominee per each media category. Individual MPHA members may also submit nominees.

<u>Publication Award</u>: The publication award is presented to a member of MPHA in good standing in recognition of an article or series of articles published. The winning article(s) must be of professional quality and contain accurate information and be pertinent to public health issues in Missouri. The article(s) must have been published within a professional journal during the past calendar year. Journal articles may be regional or statewide in nature.

ROBERT R. NORTHCUTT AWARD: (legislative award) This award is presented to an individual or group who significantly advanced legislation to improve the public health of the citizens of Missouri. Eligible recipients may include lawmakers from the state, federal or local level; or a citizen whose diligent efforts were instrumental in the passage of a public health law or ordinance.

<u>CERTIFICATE OF MERIT AWARD(s)</u>: Each chapter may select a member of their chapter as recipient of the Chapter's Certificate of Merit Award. The awardee(s) should be chosen based on his/her contribution to public health in Missouri. Recommendations should be based on: achievements of the individual in the field of public health; the relationship of the achievements to the improved health of the community; professional activities; community service activities; publications; and any other information which would have a significant bearing on his/her qualification for the MPHA Certificate of Merit.

Call for Articles

As a member of the Missouri Public Health Association, you are invited to submit articles for our newsletter. We welcome submissions on any public health related topic.

Please include the following information with your article submission:

- Name
- Professional Affiliation or Academic Institution (if a student)
- Title of Article
- Reference List
- A Headshot or Photo of You Doing Public Health Work

Please keep your article within 300-500 words. Articles from members will be reviewed by the Missouri Public Health Association Board and the Newsletter Editor. Please email your articles and any questions to Lisa Marshall at lisa.marshall@lpha.mo.gov or Sandy Boeckman at sboeckman@mopha.org.

2019 Newsletter Schedule

FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER ~ Article submissions are due by February 1, 2019

JUNE NEWSLETTER ~ Article submissions are due by June 1, 2019

October Newsletter ~ Article submissions are due by October 1, 2019

MPHA Members,

Now in existence since 1925, the Missouri Public Health Association (MPHA) continues to strive to expand our services to meet the needs of public health across Missouri. We hope that you took part in one or more of the many events that we offered in 2015. Check out the 2016 calendar!

It is our mission to be the voice of public health in Missouri through advocacy, membership services and our Education Foundation. In order to meet our mission and provide services in our state, MPHA relies on the generosity of individuals and organizations for support. Without the investment of members like you, MPHA wouldn't be able to continue to be the voice for public health across Missouri.

We are asking you to help us continue the public health message by a donation to MPHA Education Foundation. Every dollar counts in the advancement of public health. If each member would make a donation, imagine the progress and impact we could make in Missouri. Your generosity will make a difference in the future of MPHA by allowing us to continue in our work advancing public health in Missouri. The MPHA Education Foundation is a 501(c)3 corporation which means that donations to the Foundation are tax deductible.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Sinda Cooperstock

Sincerely,

Linda Cooperstock, MPHA Foundation Chair

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