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NEK COUNTIES & AGENCIES UNITING IN YOUTH TOBACCO PREVENTION EFFORTS

by DeAnna Chilcoat, LBSW

Program Coordinator, NEK Multi-County Health Department



On March 31, 124 sixth-grade boys and girls attended the "2007 Tobacco Free Basketball Clinic" sponsored by the Northeast Kansas Tobacco Use Prevention Program and Highland Community College Wellness Center.

The tobacco-free basketball clinic was part of the on-going efforts of the Northeast Kansas Tobacco Use Prevention Program to educate area youth about the dangers of tobacco use. This program is provided through the six county health departments of Atchison, Brown, Doniphan, Jackson, Jefferson and Nemaha counties in an attempt to reduce and eliminate the health effects of tobacco use in the Northeast Kansas region.

The Highland Community College Wellness Center's partnership with the Northeast Kansas Tobacco Use Prevention Program demonstrates their dedication to community wellness and commitment to healthy behaviors.

Along with tobacco prevention education, the students participated in basketball skill stations and scrimmages that were coached and refereed by volunteers throughout the six county region. More than 50 volunteers served in this collaborated effort representing over 10 community agencies and local coalitions. Eight Northeast Kansas high school and middle school Teens Against Smoking Kansas (TASK) youth groups participated in the planning and implementation of this event. Highland Community College basketball players participated in the event and provided positive role modeling and leadership examples to the youth. The Regional Prevention Center of North Central Kansas provided break-out sessions on refusal skills to peer pressure and drug/alcohol education.

Participants of the event received free t-shirts, water bottles, prizes and lunch. At the close of the clinic, participants signed pledge cards to be tobacco free and listened to Jordan Bradberry's personal commitment of remaining tobacco free. Bradberry commented on the importance of living a healthy lifestyle to be the "best that you can be" in not only athletics, but in life. Bradberry, originally from the Topeka area, plays center for the Highland Community College Scotties basketball team.

For more information on the NEK Tobacco Use Prevention Program please contact DeAnna Chilcoat, LBSW, Program Coordinator at NEK Multi-County Health Department (785) 742-2505.

WHAT IS PUBLIC HEALTH?

To Promote awareness of the Core Functions and Essential Services of Public Health, Connections will be highlighting an Essential Service of the month by utilizing *"What is Public Health?" An Orientation to the Public Health System for Participants and Spectators*. **Click on the logo** to download the complete document.

Essential Service #2: Diagnose and investigate health problems and health hazards in the community.

This service includes the epidemiologic identification of emerging health threats; public health laboratory capability using modern technology to conduct rapid screening and high volume testing; active infectious disease epidemiology programs; and technical capacity for epidemiologic investigation of disease outbreaks and patterns of chronic disease and injury. The following provides a sample of the activities performed under this service that impact the public's health:

- Operates surveillance systems that integrate all levels of the public health system to identify and analyze threats to the public health.
- Operates a reporting system for receiving and transmitting information regarding reportable diseases and other potential public health threats.
- Assists in epidemiologic analysis at all levels of the public health system.
- Drafts, monitors and reviews periodically the public health threat investigation and response plans.

Professionals who provide these services include: Infectious disease and chronic disease epidemiologists, public health preparedness, public health nurses, environmental health specialists laboratory specialists and IT specialists. Questions to ask yourself to help determine if you/your agency perform functions that contribute to Essential Service #2:

- Do I/my agency use new technologies and communication systems to support surveillance and investigation activities?
- Do I/my agency perform functions that allow me to implement procedures that alert the community of possible health threats and hazards?
- Do I/my agency perform functions that have a role in the development of written epidemiologic case investigation protocols for immediate investigation of communicable disease outbreaks, environmental health hazards, chemical and biological agent threats, radiological threats, and large scale disasters?
- Do I/my agency perform functions that have a role in maintaining guidelines or protocols to address the handling of lab samples that define procedures for storing, collecting, labeling, transporting, and delivering lab samples and for determining the chain of custody regarding the handling of samples?

If you checked one of the boxes you are performing one of the essential services of public health.



EXTENDED CARE PERMIT

In 2003, Kansas State Legislature enacted K.S.A. 65-1456(f) and (g), which gives dental hygienists the opportunity to qualify for an Extended Care Permit (ECP). Hygienists may provide services in community settings. Hygienists who have an *Extended Care Permit I* may serve at Head Start programs, schools, health departments, safety net clinics, and state correctional institutions. Hygienists wishing to serve residents of long-term care facilities must qualify for an *Extended Care Permit II*, which calls for six hours of continuing education on the care of special needs patients.

Oral Health Kansas (OHK), received a grant from United Methodist Health Ministry Fund, to support the implementation of ECP programs. Beginning in 2004, OHK/ECP services have provided continuing education sessions across the state, offered consultation services to individual hygienists, dentists, and community organizations setting up ECP, and worked with the Kansas Dental Association to interpret the existing law. Several clinics and health departments

are reaching out to address the lack of oral health services for the unserved populations using community-based dental hygienists.



Here are current statistics that offer a view of Extended Care Permits and where they are being used.

- ◆ Number of Hygienists with an ECP: 49
- ◆ ECP I = 23 ECP II = 26
- ◆ Number serving children: 22 (estimate)
- ◆ Number serving seniors: 6 (estimate)
- ◆ Number of Hygienists providing ECP Services regularly throughout the year: 26
- ◆ Number of Hygienists providing ECP Services full time: 10
- ◆ Sedgwick County Free Children's Clinic - 2
- ◆ GraceMed Satellite Dental Clinics - 3
- ◆ HOPS Dental Clinic - 1
- ◆ Project EAGLE Early Head Start - 1
- ◆ Reno County Schools - 2
- ◆ Salina Cares Dental Clinic - 1



For more information and answers to questions about ECP hygiene services, please review the Extended Care Permit Toolkit posted Oral Health Kansas website: <http://oralhealthkansas.org/programs-ecpt.html>

For information about how to establish an ECP program in partnership with your local health department or clinic, please call Marcia Manter, Oral Health Kansas, (785) 235-6039, or email her at mmanter@oralhealthkansas.org

MAY IS BETTER HEARING AND SPEECH MONTH

By Kim Aeillo

*Sound Beginnings Audiologist and Coordinator
KDHE – Bureau of Children, Youth, and Families*

Listen for a minute. I'm talking to you. You listen and talk all the time. But when is the last time you really thought about it?

May is Better Hearing and Speech Month, the perfect time to communicate some important information about hearing and speech. One in six Americans has a hearing, speech, or language problem—a condition that makes it difficult to communicate with

others. Untreated, these problems can limit you at home, school, and work. Anyone, of any age, can have or develop an impairment of the ability to hear, speak, or understand effectively.

Treatment to eliminate or minimize communication problems is available. If you suspect a hearing, speech, or language problem, call an audiologist or speech-language pathologist



CHANGES IN MEDICAID PHARMACY CLAIM FORMS

by Mary Lesperance

Kansas Health Policy Authority



Effective May 23, K.S.A. 39, 7-121f(c), mandates that all Medicaid pharmacy claim forms include the prescriber's unique identification number. The Kansas Health Policy Authority (KHPA) will be requiring individual National Provider Identifier (NPI) numbers for all prescribers who prescribe medications to Medicaid beneficiaries. The prescriber's

INDIVIDUAL NPI must be obtained and then sent to Kansas Medical Assistance Program (KMAP) for posting on a Web site for pharmacy providers to access. Pharmacy providers will use the NPI information to process the claims as required by state law for Medicaid beneficiaries. Prescribers will not be allowed to use the group or entity NPI because this would not allow for the required unique prescriber identification. The link for information on how to obtain an NPI is: <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/NationalProvIdentStand/>.

After the individual NPI is obtained, the attached form should be completed and faxed to: (785) 296-4813 or mailed to: Mary Lesperance, Landon State Office Building (LSOB), 900 SW Jackson, Room 900 N, Topeka, KS 66612. For a copy of the form click on Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) logo above.

PHASE I OF SHERIDAN COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICE REMODELING

*by Melanie Cooper, Administrator
Sheridan County Health Department*



Sheridan County Public Health is very pleased to be moving into Phase I of their newly remodeled office. The office has been housed in a metal building that had a garage area attached on the south side. The garage was used by the public transportation vans. Phase I completed a renovation of the garage area, expanding the office into that former area. Besides eliminating the exhaust fumes which had been filtering into the office, it gives our office a new lobby, restroom and nurse administrator's office. There is a room that has been completed with computer, fax and phone hook-ups for use by overflow workers in the case of an emergency. Heather Bracht, office manger, is enjoying the spacious new area with

wonderful south windows and great lighting along with new counters and storage in her area.

This project was completed because of WIC infrastructure funds received last summer and the county added funds to finish the garage conversion. Phase II will pull it all together by renovating the old office to complete a second exam room. Doors will be widened to be handicap accessible and a small kitchen/break area added.

Melanie Cooper, Administrator, is very pleased with the progress so far and looks forward to finishing the project out.



UTILIZING PARTNERSHIPS TO ENHANCE PRACTICE AND EDUCATION IN PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING



Two leading national public health nursing organizations, the Association of State and Territorial Directors of Nursing (ASTDN) and the Association of Community Health Nursing Educators will hold a joint conference May 30-June 3 at the Hyatt Regency Crown Center Hotel in Kansas City, MO.

All Kansas public health nurses are invited to participate in the general session, May 31. The session will highlight strategies to enhance public health nursing practice through collaborative partnerships. Discussion will focus on topics including current public health nursing priorities ranging from public health agency accreditation to academic preparation for public health nursing. Keynote speakers for the day include Carol Romano, Chief Nurse of the US Public Health Service and Kay Bender, Chair of the Exploring Accreditation Task Force.



ASTDN advocates at the national level for issues pertaining to public health nursing practice. Associate membership in ASTDN is open to all practicing public health nurses. Information about ASTDN membership is available on the ASTDN website, www.astdn.org. Shirley Orr, KDHE OLRH, currently serves as ASTDN President-Elect.

For more information on the conference or to register click the Kansas City Plaza.



OPEN AIRWAYS FOR SCHOOLS

Available from the American Lung Association



FREE facilitator training for the course, *Open Airways for Schools* is now available on Kansas Train at <http://ks.train.org>. The training is approximately two hours and can be done all at once or divided into shorter sessions. **Two Continuing Nurses Education credits available from the Kansas State Nurses Association** upon completion.

Open Airways for Schools (OAS) is an interactive asthma education program with role-playing, games, story telling and drawing activities that teach children how to manage asthma. It is designed for children ages 8-11. By participating in the program,

children are able to better manage their disease. It consists of six lessons with the following health messages; asthma is manageable; asthma episodes do not have to be a crisis; prescribed medication should be taken at the first sign of symptoms; a child with asthma can live normally. OAS brings parents, teachers, school nurses, administrators, and physicians together to assist children with asthma breathe easier and therefore, miss FEWER days of school.

For more information, contact Beth Marolf, OAS Coordinator, American Lung Association, 5043 NW Dawdy Dr., Topeka, KS, 66618; phone: (785) 246-0377 or bmarolf@cox.net.

AFTERMATH: LESSONS IN SCHOOL SAFETY

Now, more than ever, there is an increased need for a focus on school safety. Policy makers and healthcare professionals need increased strategies for enhancing public safety, especially for youth.

This nationally award-winning CD-ROM offers techniques for building problem-solving skills and providing a forum to foster communication between instructors and students. It provides four interactive video scenarios that include critical and sensitive topic areas such as weapons, conflict and bullying, alcohol, and suicide. Each simulation provides opportunities for students to make choices and see the consequences of their decisions.

Peer mentors on the CD-ROM provide feedback to the users.

Use this program, which is both PC and Mac compatible, to inform students about school policies, build problem-solving skills, and provide a forum to discuss sensitive topics.

Please call (877) 252-1200 or order online: item #AFT-060413 at <http://bookstore.phf.org>



STATE ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH DIRECTORS

by Lesa Roberts, MPH, BSN, RN
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The Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO) supports the State Environmental Health Directors group which is examining issues such as legislation, community-level environmental health indicators, the built environment and indoor environmental health concerns. The group has been conducting conference calls regularly and had its first face-to-face meeting at the

December 2006 Environmental Public Health conference in Atlanta. Kansas is represented on the Steering Committee of this group as well as its legislation committee. The first annual meeting is being convened May 9-11 in New Orleans. The theme of the meeting is Indoor Environments with added discussion on climate change. The SEHD is emerging as an influential group of leaders in environmental public health. It is a great opportunity for the state of Kansas to bring a new voice from the Heartland Center to the evolving national agenda for environmental public health.

SAVE THE DATE!

The Kansas Public Health Leadership Institute (KPHLI) will hold its fifth training cycle from September 2007-September 2008. In-person sessions take place in September, October, January, April, and July. If you are interested in becoming a KPHLI scholar, applications will be available by May 2007. See <http://www.waldcenter.org/kphli/index.html> for more information about the KPHLI.



COMING SOON TO A COUNTY NEAR YOU: IMMUNIZATION TECHNOLOGY TRAINING!

*by Julie Oler-Manske MS
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University of Kansas School of Medicine*

Have you ever had to prepare information for presentation to your county commissioners or analyze statistics related to your immunization program?

The Kansas Health Foundation has funded the Kansas Association of Local Health Departments (KALHD) to develop and provide technology training specific to Immunization Programs for local health departments. KALHD has been working with members of the University of Kansas (KU) School of Medicine – Wichita Chautauqua Project staff to design a computer training program that utilizes a variety of data sources, such as KIPHS PHClinic, QS Insight, KS WebIZ, and the Internet, to query, combine and analyze immunization data.

This training will provide you the tools to help you find the information that you need and help you prepare presentations that are informative and graphically appealing. In addition, the training will provide instruction on developing charts, graphs and other presentation materials from the analyzed immunization data.

A total of nine training sites will be offered across the state. It is hoped that each health department will send one employee to a training in their area. Each training will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and lunch will be provided. Below is a list of planned training sites and dates. For more information contact Julie Oler-Manske at (316) 293-2626 or jolerman@kumc.edu. Registration will be available on or before May 15 on [KS-TRAIN](#).

1. Sedgwick County, Wednesday, June 27
2. Haskell County, Wednesday, July 11
3. Brown County, Wednesday, July 25
4. Pawnee County, Tuesday, July 31
5. Labette County, Wednesday, August 1
6. Lyon County, Wednesday, August 8
7. Cloud County, Mid August
8. Decatur County, Late August
9. Sedgwick County, Early September



DELIVERING SOLUTIONS FOR TOBACCO CESSATION

*By Becky Tuttle,
Bureau of Health Promotions, KDHE*



"Delivering Solutions for Tobacco Cessation" sponsored by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment and the University of Kansas Medical Center Area Health Education Centers, will be held Tuesday, May 22 by ITV from Overland Park (speaker site) to Garden City, Hays, Pittsburg, Salina and Wichita. Registration is through KS-TRAIN at <http://ks.train.org>. Course ID # 1008635. Add the course ID number to the Search by Course ID field located under the Seal of Kansas.

This five hour course will prepare individuals in the use of person to person and small group contact to educate health care professionals in techniques for counseling pregnant patients regarding tobacco use and cessation. The following topics will be included in this course:

- Discussing the 5 A's of tobacco cessation with practitioners if given 5 minutes or 30 minutes
- Techniques for approaching health care professionals in the clinical setting
- Formal and informal presentation techniques using the "tool box" materials
- Managing "challenging" situations
- Ideas for promoting the program within your community
- Utilizing earned media as a strategy to engage health care providers
- Training additional educators in your organization/community
- Promoting the Kansas Tobacco Quitline



Attendees will receive a "tool box" of materials specifically prepared to support their presentations and discussions. Materials will include a PowerPoint presentation, flipcharts and brochures. Also available will be materials to leave with the practitioners including post it notes, pens and plastic bags.

Target audience includes tobacco cessation coalition members, public health staff, tobacco control advocates and other appropriate individuals. A background in health care is not necessary.

For more information, please contact Becky Tuttle at the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, Tobacco Use Prevention Program at (316) 337-6056.

PUBLIC HEALTH GRAND ROUNDS

*by Theresa St.Romain
WALD Center, KUMC - Wichita*



The WALD Center will host the satellite downlink "Healthy Places Leading to Healthy People: Community Engagement Improves Health For All" on Friday, May 11, from 1-2 p.m. The program will be held in the Wichita Room at the University of Kansas (KU) School of Medicine-Wichita. The program will also be downlinked to the IS Conference room at the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE), Curtis State Office Building in Topeka.

Healthy communities are places where public health systems, social infrastructure and policies support health and essential public health services (including quality health care) that are readily available to all. The program will use a case study method and the PACE-EH model to highlight interventions at the "place level" instead of at the "person level" used in the traditional public health intervention model. For a full program description, see <http://www.publichealthgrandrounds.unc.edu/places/index.htm>.



This program is a Public Health Grand Rounds downlink sponsored by the CDC and the University of North Carolina School of Public Health. There is no charge to register or attend. Registration is available through KSTRAIN at <https://ks.train.org>, course #1008392. Continuing education credit is available to participants who also register through the Public Health Grand Rounds Web site at <http://www.publichealthgrandrounds.unc.edu/partreg/index.htm>. For more information, contact Theresa St.Romain at tstromain@kumc.edu.

DISASTER EXERCISE PROJECT COORDINATOR

Grant funded position responsible for Sedgwick County Health Department's South Central Kansas Metropolitan Medical Response System (SCKMMRS) and Public Health Emergency Management (PHEM) disaster exercise programs. Completion of assignments to assure compliance and fulfillment of program components and grant requirements. Responsible for facilitating all aspects of exercise design and evaluation process to assure high levels of regional preparedness for a potential all-hazards incident or public health emergency. For more information click on Sedgwick County logo on the right.



METROPOLITAN MEDICAL RESPONSE SYSTEM PROJECT COORDINATOR

Grant funded position responsible for Sedgwick County Health Department's South Central Kansas Metropolitan Medical Response System (SCKMMRS) and Public Health Emergency Management (PHEM) disaster exercise programs. Completion of assignments to assure compliance and fulfillment of program components and grant requirements. Responsible for facilitating all aspects of exercise design and evaluation process to assure high levels of regional preparedness for a potential all-hazards incident or public health emergency. For more information click on Sedgwick County logo on the left.

FULL-TIME SANITARIAN NEEDED FOR JOHNSON COUNTY

The Johnson County Public Health Department, is seeking a sanitarian on a full-time basis. The Sanitarian will conduct the environmental part of the nursing facility survey in conjunction with the Kansas Department on Aging (KDOA) survey team; will conduct monitoring visits in conjunction with the Adult Care Nurse on large or problematic adult care facilities; will conduct and/or assist with child care visits, to include, initials, renewals, complaints and compliance checks; will process licensing amendments as received from



child care facilities; will conduct classes, consultations and workshops on licensing regulations and other environmental health/safety issues; will assist with visits/investigations involving problematic septic systems, private wells, private swimming pools and playgrounds and will conduct visits/investigations involving lead, food safety and other environmental health and safety concerns.

Requires a Bachelor's degree in Environmental Health, or a related field. The successful candidate must possess a minimum of two-to-three years of regulatory experience in adult care facilities, child care facilities or public health. The successful candidate must also possess one-to-two years of working experience with problematic septic systems, wells and pools; requires a Registered Sanitarian Certification (or eligible to set for exam-exam would need to be taken and passed within six months of hire). Requires a criminal history check and a valid driver's license and must be able to drive in all weather conditions. For complete details and to apply on-line, visit <http://hr.jocogov.org>; or fax resume to (913) 715-1419; or mail to: Johnson County Human Resources; 111 S. Cherry, Suite 2600; Olathe, KS 66061. EOE

LINKS

Trauma



The Kansas Trauma System is dedicated to reducing the death, disability and suffering that results from traumatic injuries and mass casualty events by providing a comprehensive and integrated system of statewide prevention and trauma care resources throughout the continuum of care. Click on the Trauma logo to learn more about the Kansas Trauma Program's "Golden Hour" (10-minute video).

Regional Public Health Meetings and Billing Workshops

Click on the **Public Health sign** to view dates, times, and locations of Regional Public Health meetings and Billing Workshops.



LOCAL HEALTH SECTION - OFFICE OF LOCAL & RURAL HEALTH

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Sedgwick County, Kansas

Disaster Exercise Project Coordinator

Grant funded position responsible for Sedgwick County Health Department's South Central Kansas Metropolitan Medical Response System (SCKMMRS) and Public Health Emergency Management (PHEM) disaster exercise programs. Completion of assignments to assure compliance and fulfillment of program components and grant requirements. Responsible for facilitating all aspects of exercise design and evaluation process to assure high levels of regional preparedness for a potential all-hazards incident or public health emergency.

Essential Job Functions:

Project specific Budget Management.

Manages all aspects of Public Health Exercise Program.

Facilitates the purchasing process for needed services and equipment with partners.

Assist with the creation of plans and procedures based on the needs of the community.

Collaborates in grant and exercise development efforts in the region.

Participates in rotation of 24/7 on call response assignment.

Establishes a knowledge base of Public Health Emergency Preparedness and Homeland Security Programs and effectively use needed resources.

Prepares project status reports to Project Manager on request.

Responds to public health and emergency disaster situations.

Trains for, plans, conducts, and evaluates drills and tabletop, full scale and functional exercise within the county and assist regional partners.

Other duties as assigned.

Job Standards:

Bachelor Degree from an accredited college or university in Public Health, Business, Political Science or a Health related field. Masters degree in similar fields preferred. Previous public contact and customer service experience, knowledge of disaster and emergency preparedness and response activities, plus; administrative staff work in a public or private organization including experience in budgeting, or any equivalent combination of training and experience which provides the required knowledge, skills, and abilities. Experience with disaster response planning a plus.

Valid State of Kansas Driver s License.

Knowledge of Public Health Emergency Management and Homeland Security.

Knowledge of governmental grant budgeting practices.

Knowledge of weapons of mass destruction, especially bioterrorism, radiological and chemical agents and other Homeland Security related initiatives.

Knowledge of Community organizing, leadership, and facilitation of cross-agency, multi-disciplinary collaboration.

Skill in computer use, data management, electronic surveillance, web design/development and general office equipment use.

Skill in emergency planning preparedness and exercise development.

Skill in public speaking.

Skill in problem-solving, prioritization of work, decision-making, and self directedness when appropriate.

Ability to work in a team, relating and communicating well with others.

Ability to convey and receive detailed or important instructions and information to and from the general public and others.

Ability to lift, carry, and transport items weighing at least 40 pounds.
Ability to monitor, maintain and work within an assigned budget.
Ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing.
Ability to effectively train and direct others.
Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with other professionals, co-workers, community partners, the general public and multiple levels of government.

Equipment:
Office equipment

Work Environment:
Office

SALARY: \$37,296/year

M-F 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. with occasional early morning, evening, and weekend hours

1530 S. Oliver Suite 130 Wichita KS 67218

Valid Kansas Drivers License Required. Must meet Driver Qualification standards as set forth in Sedgwick County s Fleet Vehicle Operation and Usage policy (R#225-1999).

This position may be filled or closed to further application and/or testing without notice.

Sedgwick County will prohibit the hiring of spouses and/or immediate family members within the same department, but not within the County structure.

Immediate family and family of the employee s spouse shall be considered husband, wife, son, step-son, son-in-law, daughter, step-daughter, daughter-in law, brother, step-brother, brother-in law, sister, step-sister, sister-in-law, mother, step-mother, mother-in law, father, step-father, father-in-law, grandchildren, grandparents and grandparents-in-law.

Sedgwick County is proud to be an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Applicants requiring Reasonable Accommodation for the application, pre-employment testing and/or interview process should notify the Human Resources Department or the County's ADA Coordinator.

Bob Bean
Sedgwick County ADA Coordinator
510 N. Main Suite 306
Wichita KS 67203
Phone (316) 660-7052
TDD (Kansas Relay at 711 or 800-766-3777)
Email: rbean@sedgwick.gov
lh/kjl

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[CLICK HERE TO APPLY FOR THIS POSITION](#)

NOTE: There may be a brief delay after clicking this link. You will change pages and a message will be displayed confirming you have successfully applied. ONLY CLICK THIS LINK ONCE TO APPLY. Please re-submit only if you have made changes to your application since you last applied for this position.



Sedgwick County, Kansas

Metropolitan Medical Response System Project Coordinator

Grant funded position which coordinates projects for Sedgwick County Health Department's South Central Kansas Metropolitan Medical Response System (SCKMMRS) and Public Health Emergency Management (PHEM) programs. Completion of assignments to assure compliance and fulfillment of program components and grant requirements. Responsible for facilitating a coordinated community-wide effort with multiple jurisdictions and agencies to assure high levels of regional preparedness for a potential all-hazards incident or public health emergency.

Essential Job Functions:

Project specific Budget Management.

Manages all aspects of assigned projects.

Facilitates the purchasing process for needed services and equipment with partners.

Creates plans and procedures based on the needs of the community.

Collaborates in grant development efforts in the region.

Participates in rotation of 24/7 on call response assignment.

Establishes a knowledge base of Homeland Security Programs and effectively use needed resources.

Works with pre-established committees to achieve grant requirements.

Prepares project status reports to Project Manager on request.

Manages and updates the program website.

Responds to public health and emergency disaster situations.

Participates in drills and tabletop, full scale and functional exercises within the region and assist regional partners.

Other duties as assigned.

Job Standards:

Bachelors Degree from an accredited college or university in Public Health, Business, Political Science or a Health-related field. Masters degree in similar fields preferred. Previous public contact and customer service experience, knowledge of disaster and emergency preparedness and response activities, plus; administrative staff work in a public or private organization including experience in budgeting, or any equivalent combination of training and experience which provides the required knowledge, skills, and abilities. Experience with disaster response planning a plus.

Valid State of Kansas Driver's License.

Knowledge of Public Health Emergency Management and Homeland Security.

Knowledge of governmental grant budgeting practices.

Knowledge of weapons of mass destruction, especially bioterrorism, radiological and chemical agents and other Homeland Security related initiatives.

Knowledge of Community organizing, leadership, and facilitation of cross-agency, multi-disciplinary collaboration.

Skill in computer use, data management, electronic surveillance, web design/development and general office equipment use.

Skill in emergency planning preparedness and exercise development.

Skill in public speaking.

Skill in problem-solving, prioritization of work, decision-making, and self directedness when appropriate.

Ability to work in a team, relating and communicating well with others.

Ability to convey and receive detailed or important instructions and information to and from the general public and others.

Ability to lift, carry, and transport items weighing at least 40 pounds
Ability to monitor, maintain and work within an assigned budget.
Ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing.
Ability to effectively train and direct others.
Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with other professionals, co-workers, community partners, the general public and multiple levels of government.

Equipment:
Office Equipment.

Work Environment:
Office

SALARY: \$37,296/year

M-F 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. with occasional early morning, evening, and weekend hours

1530 S. Oliver Suite 130 Wichita KS 67218

Valid Kansas Drivers License Required. Must meet Driver Qualification standards as set forth in Sedgwick County s Fleet Vehicle Operation and Usage policy (R#225-1999).

This position may be filled or closed to further application and/or testing without notice.

Sedgwick County will prohibit the hiring of spouses and/or immediate family members within the same department, but not within the County structure.

Immediate family and family of the employee s spouse shall be considered husband, wife, son, step-son, son-in-law, daughter, step-daughter, daughter-in law, brother, step-brother, brother-in law, sister, step-sister, sister-in-law, mother, step-mother, mother-in law, father, step-father, father-in-law, grandchildren, grandparents and grandparents-in-law.

Sedgwick County is proud to be an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Applicants requiring Reasonable Accommodation for the application, pre-employment testing and/or interview process should notify the Human Resources Department or the County's ADA Coordinator.

Bob Bean
Sedgwick County ADA Coordinator
510 N. Main Suite 306
Wichita KS 67203
Phone (316) 660-7052
TDD (Kansas Relay at 711 or 800-766-3777)
Email: rbean@sedgwick.gov
lh/kjl

VN: 20005150041307 \$/ Open Until Filled.

[CLICK HERE TO APPLY FOR THIS POSITION](#)

NOTE: There may be a brief delay after clicking this link. You will change pages and a message will be displayed confirming you have successfully applied. **ONLY CLICK THIS LINK ONCE TO APPLY.** Please re-submit only if you have made changes to your application since you last applied for this position.



Kansas Medical Assistance Program

P.O. Box 3571
Topeka, KS 66601-3571

Provider Line: 1-800-933-6593
Consumer Line: 1-800-766-9012

From the office of the Fiscal Agent

National Provider Identifier NPI Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

NPI: _____

Taxonomy: _____

**You must attach to this form a copy of the
National Plan and Provider Enumeration System (NPPES)
confirmation letter or e-mail you received with your NPI.**

**The link to obtain a NPI is: <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/NationalProviderStand/>
Electronic net applications are processed more quickly.**

An original signature is required below:

Print name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please fax the completed form to Mary Lesperance at 785-296-4813,

OR

Mail this form to: Mary Lesperance
900 SW Jackson Street
LSOB, Room 900 North
Topeka, KS 66601

For further information regarding this form, please contact Mary Lesperance at
mary.lesperance@khpa.ks.gov or 785-296-8406.

Thank you for your cooperation and diligence in helping to care for KMAP
beneficiaries.