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### KPHA FALL CONFERENCE CALL FOR POSTERS

*submitted by Melissa Armstrong, KU-MPH Assistant Director  
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The 66th Annual Kansas Public Health Association (KPHA) Fall Conference will be held Sept. 22-24 at the Hyatt Regency in Wichita, Kansas. KPHA posters submission deadline is Wed., Aug. 5. Abstracts for scientific posters are now being accepted for the poster session to be held on Wed., Sept. 23. Scientific posters will be judged on public health significance, clarity, content, quality and newness of approach or concept.

In order to submit an abstract for the poster competition, simply fill out the form, click on the KPHA logo, and return it to [marmstro@kumc.edu](mailto:marmstro@kumc.edu) by Aug. 5. This will be the only call for posters! For more information about the annual KPHA conference, please visit the KPHA website at <http://kpha.us/>. Registration information coming soon.

### 137<sup>TH</sup> AMERICAN PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING AND EXPOSITION

*submitted by Linda Frazier, Public Health Workforce Development Specialist  
Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE), Office of Local and Rural Health (OLRH)*



Several members of KPHA have been selected to give oral presentations at the American Public Health Association 137th Annual Meeting and Exposition. The APHA Annual Meeting is the premier public health event taking place Nov. 7-11 in Philadelphia. With more than 1,000 cutting edge scientific sessions, 700 booths of information and state-of-the-art public health products and services, this is an extremely important event in the public health field. You can view their sessions and get more information about their presentations, detailed abstracts and learning objectives by clicking on the links below.

Linda Frazier, KDHE: [Essential services tool: A resource for increasing capacity for accreditation](#)

Shirley Orr, KDHE: [Can public health leadership training improve social capital within a decentralized system?: A five year assessment and review](#)

Sonja Armbruster, Sedgwick County Health Department: [Community themes and strengths assessment: Evaluating quality of life using online survey methods](#)

Suzanne Hawley, University of Kansas (KU): (Unable to attend, but both presentations have been accepted and will be presented by co-authors.)

1. [Workforce knowledge and attitudes regarding the Council on Linkages 2008 revised Core Competencies for Public Health Professionals: Implications for accreditation](#)
2. [Can public health leadership training improve social capital within a decentralized system?: A five year assessment and review](#)

Ruth Wetta-Hall, KU: (eight presentations accepted)

1. [A survey of Kansas oncologists' attitudes toward massage therapy for breast cancer patients](#)
2. [Effects of therapeutic massage on the quality of life among breast cancer patients during treatment](#)
3. [Using evaluation results to improve program delivery, design and policy](#)
4. [Outcomes associated with a prenatal diabetes case management program in a suburban health department](#)
5. [Communicating Change: Affecting adolescent risk behaviors in an African-American urban community](#)
6. [Comparison between Kansas and the Pacific Northwest: Perceived competency of environmental health service providers in delivering the ten essential public health services](#)
7. [Local access to care programs \(LACPs\) for the uninsured: Sedgwick County Project Access 1999 to 2007, a descriptive epidemiological study](#)
8. [Engaging your constituency: The Kansas Public Health Association membership project](#)

Other KPHA members are encouraged to contact Elaine Schwartz, Executive Director of KPHA at [director@kpha.us](mailto:director@kpha.us) if they have also been selected to present at the APHA conference this fall. For general information about the APHA Annual Meeting or to find out about other presentations visit the meetings home page at [www.apha.org/meetings](http://www.apha.org/meetings). Registration and Housing are now open. To take advantage of the early-bird discount, visit the registration page at [www.apha.org/meetings/registration](http://www.apha.org/meetings/registration). These KPHA members hope you can attend their presentations as they join APHA in exploring the latest public health practices and challenges.

### ELLSWORTH COUNTY EMS OPEN HOUSE 2009

*submitted by Debbie Whitmer, Public Health Nurse  
KDHE, Office of Local and Rural Health*



The Ellsworth County Emergency Medical Service (EMS) held their EMS open house on June 6, with the theme "Children's Safety". The event was held at the Ellsworth County EMS building in Ellsworth with over 300 in attendance. There were approximately 20 exhibitors such as: Kansas Highway Patrol with their Convincer, Safe Kids from KDHE, Rolling Hills Electric, Dig Safe, ATV safety, countywide fire departments, City of Wilson law enforcement with meth awareness, Ellsworth County Correctional Facility and help dog, Rolling Hills Zoo, Edgar the Elephant with Kansas



Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Protection Program (KHHLHPP), Kansas Department of Health and Environment, Wildlife and Parks, Ellsworth County Medical Center, Golden Living Center, gun safety, railroad safety, roping demonstration, agriculture safety, tobacco prevention, Christian Motorcycle Association and many others.

The day started with Eagle Med Helicopter landing and displaying their helicopter and equipment to the children and parents. Exhibitors demonstrated safety tips and practices throughout the day. A free lunch of hot dogs, chili dogs, chips, and drinks were provided for everyone. 12 Bicycles were given away, a donation from the Ellsworth Correctional Facility, and smoke detectors and bike helmets, from the Safe KIDS Program at KDHE. The bikes were blessed by the Christian Motorcycle Association prior to giving them away.

There was a county wide poster contest for children, preschool – fifth grades. Posters were judged and prizes awarded to the top three in each age group. There were free blood pressure checks, face painting, and free

cotton candy and popcorn. The open house was a big success and enjoyed by everyone. For more information on organizing a safety fair in your community contact Jerry Florian at (785) 472-3454.

### **SYMPHONY IN THE FLINT HILLS**

*submitted by Sandra Barnett, Program Consultant  
KDHE, Bureau of Waste Management*

*"The essential feature of the prairie is its horizon, which you can neither walk to or touch."*

P. GRUCHOW



pairs arts and agriculture, creating a harmonious balance for the communities who revere this unique event.

Discovering this place includes looking up... at the heavens. Star gazing begins as soon as the sky is dark enough to see twinkling. Moonrise isn't until the wee small hours of the morning so the moonless sky will be perfect for sightseeing (the moonlight won't overpower the starlight). Astronomers from the Kansas Astronomical Observers and the Salina Astronomy Club provided over ten telescopes and were on hand to show guests around the celestial neighborhood. A presentation of the "The Native Americans View of the Night Sky" was also presented. Afternoon solar telescopes for viewing the sun were available, as well as a series of other astronomical presentations.



Over 6,000 people attended which generated considerable refuse. The Kansas Green Team sent 12 volunteers to assist in the recycling efforts. Plastic water bottles are a significant waste product, and event organizers wish to segregate these bottles and eventually transport them to a recycling firm. Separate trash containers for recyclable plastic were available.



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To learn more about event recycling contact Sandra Barnett at (785) 296-1617 or [sbarnett@kdheks.gov](mailto:sbarnett@kdheks.gov), or to learn more about the Symphony in the Flint Hills, go to [www.symphonyintheflindhills.org](http://www.symphonyintheflindhills.org).

### **KANSAS NURSE SELECTED FOR EXECUTIVE NURSE FELLOWSHIP**

*submitted by Chris Tilden, Director  
KDHE, Local and Rural Health*



Shirley Orr, MHS, ARNP, CNAA, Director Local Health has received word from the National Advisory Committee for the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) that she has been selected as a Fellow for the 12<sup>th</sup> cohort of the RWJF Executive Nurse Fellows' program. Since 1998 there have only been two other Kansas nurse executives who have been selected for this honor.

"The selection process was a challenging and inspiring one," stated Shirley S. Chater, PhD, RN, FAAN, Chair, National Advisory Committee and Marilyn P. Chow, DNSc, RN, FAAN, Program Director, RWJF Executive Nurse Fellows. "The 2009 cohort includes twenty executive nurse leaders who represent some of the nursing profession's greatest assets and, certainly, its future".

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Executive Nurse Fellows Program is an advanced leadership program for nurses in senior executive roles who are aspiring to lead and shape the US health care system of the future. The mission of the program is to inspire experienced nurses in executive roles to continue the journey toward achieving the highest levels of leadership in the health care system of the 21st century.

The fellowship goes beyond the scope of traditional executive MBA-type programs by focusing on five core leadership competencies; self-knowledge, inspiring and leading change, strategic vision, risk taking and creativity, and interpersonal and communication effectiveness.

The program offers the opportunity for outstanding nurses in executive roles from health services (including patient care service, integrated delivery systems, health plans, and other health organizations engaged in organizing and delivering health care), public/community health, and nursing education who, along with their employing institutions, are willing to make a three-year commitment to the program. The fellowships are intended to offer participating nurses the experiences, insights, competencies and skills necessary to achieve, or advance in executive leadership positions in a health care system undergoing unprecedented change.

On behalf of the Office of Local and Rural Health, Kansas Department of Health Environment we wish to congratulate Shirley on her much deserved selection to this esteemed professional program.

### **KANSAS OPTIMIZING HEALTH SUCCESS STORY**

*Kendra Baldrige, Case Manager  
KDHE, Kansas Statewide Farmworker Health Program*

The nation's growing epidemic of chronic disease is placing tremendous financial strain on our health care system and is having profound consequences on the quality of life of millions of people. Of the nation's two trillion in medical care costs, 75 percent of those costs are attributable to persons suffering from chronic disease. Chronic medical conditions cause major limitations in activity for more than ten percent of the American population. Numerous studies have demonstrated that prevention offers cost-effective strategies to improve health among those who suffer from chronic diseases. For example, the CDC has shown that implementing arthritis self-help courses would yield a net savings of more than two and one half million dollars for each 100,000 participants while simultaneously reducing pain by almost 20 percent among sufferers.



The Kansas Statewide Farmworker Health Program recently launched a Kansas Optimizing Health course focused on self-management of chronic disease for migrant and seasonal farmworkers in the state. The experience of one participant demonstrates in a powerful way the power of prevention.

This participant was a client of the Farmworker program who had been diagnosed with diabetes years ago. She had seen a physician and had prescriptions to control her condition, but she had not seen the doctor or taken medicine for a few months because of concerns over money. She was working hard to watch what she ate and also tried to walk each day. She felt pretty good and had decided she did not need to be concerned about seeing the doctor or continuing her medication. However, inspired by a speaker at the course who urged the importance of regular doctor visits, she decided to make an appointment at a local clinic with the help of her Farmworker Health Case Manager.

At that first appointment she was surprised to learn that her blood sugar was near 500! Since her body had become accustomed to that level, she was feeling reasonably good despite having this dangerous level. The course reinforced to this client and others the importance of regular primary care, of taking prescribed medications and monitoring health status very closely. This client, through the help of the Farmworker program, found a way to access more affordable medications to help her with her blood sugar level and her cholesterol.

Having learned how important prevention is to keeping herself well, this client now has a dental appointment to check on the health of her teeth and gums and has already schedule a follow up appointment at the health clinic. She is well on her way to controlling her disease and living a more healthy life!

For more information on the Kansas Statewide Farmworker Health Program call Kendra Baldrige at (785) 296-2671 or [www.kdheks.gov/olrh/FWOverview.htm](http://www.kdheks.gov/olrh/FWOverview.htm).

**There would be very little point in my exhausting myself  
and other conservationist themselves in trying to protect animals  
and habitats if we weren't at the same time raising young people to be better stewards.**

**Dr. Jane Goodall  
Primatologist, Ethologist and Anthropologist**

## KANSAS CHILD CARE HEALTH CONSULTANTS

*submitted by Brenda Nickel, RN, BSN, Child and School Nurse Consultant  
Bureau of Family Health, KDHE*



The Bureau of Family Health, Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE), concluded a four month training project in May 2009 to expand the role of professional registered nurses practicing in public health and school settings as child care health consultants awarding thirteen nurses representing all regions of Kansas with certificates as Kansas Child Care Health Consultants (KCCHC). The new graduates are currently involved in a one-year evaluation research study conducted by a scholar of the Kansas Public Health Leadership Institute (KPHLI), Rebecca Gillam. The study will measure outcomes related to how the nurses will implement their training and role as child care health consultants in their community.

This intensive educational process facilitated by Brenda Nickel using the child care health consultation curriculum from the National Training Institute (NTI), University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, has prepared the nurse to work collaboratively with professionals in early childhood and child care settings, as well as community partners who strive to promote healthy and safe child care, empowering families and linking providers and families to resources in their community.

Child care providers need ready access to expert advice from a health care professional in their centers in development of policies and health / safety guidelines, individualized health care plans for children with special health needs while in child care, and information, training and resources to assure quality child care. The Kansas CCHC curriculum included the following topics:

1. National health and safety standards for out-of-home care
2. Emergency preparedness
3. Child care licensing requirements and day-to-day operations
4. Disease reporting requirements
5. Immunizations for children and child care providers
6. Injury prevention for children
7. Staff health, including occupational health risks for child care providers
8. Oral health for children
9. Nutrition and physical activity for children
10. Inclusion of children with special health needs in child care
11. Recognition and reporting requirements for child abuse and neglect
12. Community health and mental health resources
13. Advice on policy development and guidelines for care

The four-month training involved didactic content delivered in person and on-line via KS-Train

<https://ks.train.org/DesktopShell.aspx>.

In addition, the training included an observation and practicum in a child care setting using environment rating scales, consultation with the child care center staff and a Capstone project to address an identified issue or need in the child care setting.

The Bureau of Child Care and Licensing at KDHE, estimates that approximately 200,000 infant, toddler, pre-school and school age children attend child day care each year. At the end of FY 2007, 10,773 child care facilities and homes maternity centers were licensed or registered in Kansas with a capacity to serve over 144,000 children at any one time (CCLR, 2008). The importance of early care for Kansas children is reflected in the Kansas Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Plan, a framework for addressing five goals set forth by stakeholders, led by the Kansas Children's Cabinet and Trust Fund. The five goals include:

1. Health Insurance and Medical Homes
2. Mental Health and Social-Emotional Development
3. Early Care and Education Services
4. Parent Education
5. Family Supports



Pictured left to right: Rynekah Barbour, Martha Dodd, Anne Schmidt, Esther Thielen, Beth Fisher, Dawn Searles (back), Lorraine Baughman (front), Marsha Veasart, Ruth Schenck, Maggie Baker, Helen Stucky-Risdon, LuAnn Wilcox, and Beth Hite

Each goal has specific objectives, strategies to address the tives, and expected outcomes. The goal, *Health Insurance and Medical Homes*, addresses increasing the number of children in Kansas who have medical insurance and access to a medical home. This goal also includes a strategy to implement a child care health consultation model in Kansas. The plan can be viewed by clicking on the picture with the children playing above.



Information on child care health consultation can be found at:

- Healthy Childcare America – American Academy of Pediatrics [www.healthychildcare.org/WorkWithHP.html](http://www.healthychildcare.org/WorkWithHP.html)
- National Resource Center for Health and Safety in Child Care and Early Education – Health consultants and health professionals <http://nrckids.org/consultants.htm>

### HEALTHY HOMES: 7 BASIC PRINCIPLES ONLINE COURSE

*submitted by Shannon Steinbauer RN, BSN, Regional Case Management Coordinator  
Kansas Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Prevention Program*

Shannon Steinbauer, Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Prevention Program (KHHLHPP), Kansas Department of Health and Environment is pleased to announce that the *Healthy Homes: 7 Basic Principles* online course is now available on KS-TRAIN at <http://ks.train.org>, course #1017952. This educational offering provides multiple disciplines and professionals an overview of Healthy Home Principles. The course defines core principles with examples, and provides resources for families to gain healthy home detailed information and referrals.

*Healthy Homes: 7 Basic Principles* was developed due to an assessed disparity in environmental health education curriculum at schools of nursing that Steinbauer encountered in her position as a Case Manager with the KHHLHPP. Steinbauer originally designed this course for schools of nursing but also has created an opportunity for other disciplines and professionals to gain a better understanding of the environmental impacts on a healthy home. The course is unique in that it is relevant for many different types of professionals including real estate, elected officials, community advocates, neighborhood associations, home health care, and medical professionals.

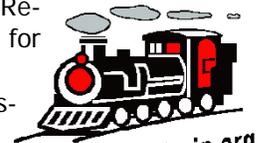
Steinbauer's current goals include incorporating this course as part of the core nursing curriculum at every accredited school of nursing in the state of Kansas. This on-demand online training ensures a consistent message, access to information, resources, and guarantees a foundation in Healthy Homes Principles and how they affect a family's health.

Please take a moment to take the approximately 30 minute course. It is a perfect recipe for a healthy home. Questions should be directed to Shannon Steinbauer, RN, BSN, at [ssteinbauer@kdheks.gov](mailto:ssteinbauer@kdheks.gov) or (785) 256-3229.

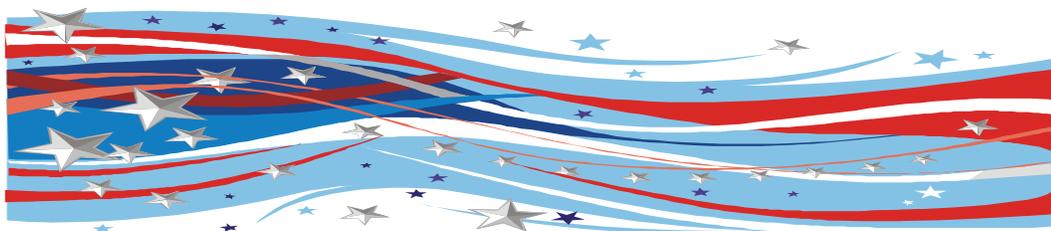
### HIV/AIDS SECTION INTRODUCES NEW HIV TEST FORM ONLINE TRAINING

The HIV/AIDS Section has rolled out a new HIV Counseling, Testing, and Referral form for providers to complete on all persons testing for HIV in conjunction with the KDHE Counseling, Testing, and Referral program. Live trainings were held in June and the on-line training is now available for viewing via KS-TRAIN at <http://ks.train.org> course # 1017851.

Implementation of the new HIV Test Form will begin on July 1, 2009. If you have questions regarding the training or the form, contact Jamie Flemming, Counseling, Testing and Linkage Director at [jflemming@kdheks.gov](mailto:jflemming@kdheks.gov) or Sandra Springer, HIV Prevention and Training Director at [sspringer@kdheks.gov](mailto:sspringer@kdheks.gov).



<http://ks.train.org>



## PLASTIC.....WHAT DOES THAT NUMBER MEAN!

*submitted by Sandra Barnett, Program Consultant*

*Kansas Department of Health and Environment, Bureau of Waste Management*



Plastic recycling is the process of recovering scrap or waste plastics and reprocessing the material into useful products, sometimes completely different from their original state. Plastic Identification Code (PICs) was introduced by the Society of the Plastics Industry, Inc to provide a uniform system for plastic types. This also helps recycling companies to separate different plastics for reprocessing. Listed below are the recycling number, their meaning and common packaging. PICs can usually be found at the base or at the side of the plastic products. Be sure to check with your local recycler on what types of plastic they will recycle.

Code	Type of plastic polymer	Properties	Common Packaging Applications
	Polyethylene Terephthalate (PET, PETE)	Clarity, strength, toughness, barrier to gas and moisture.	Soft drink, water and salad dressing bottles; peanut butter and jam jars
	High Density Polyethylene (HDPE)	Stiffness, strength, toughness, resistance to moisture, permeability to gas.	Milk, juice and water bottles; trash and retail bags.
	Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC)	Versatility, clarity, ease of blending, strength, toughness.	Juice bottles; cling films; PVC piping
	Low Density Polyethylene (LDPE)	Ease of processing, strength, toughness, flexibility, ease of sealing, barrier to moisture	Frozen food bags; squeezable bottles, e.g. honey, mustard; cling films; flexible container lids.
	Polypropylene (PP)	Strength, toughness, resistance to heat, chemicals, grease and oil, versatile, barrier to moisture.	Reusable microwaveable ware; kitchenware; yogurt containers; margarine tubs; microwaveable disposable take-away containers; disposable cups and plates.
	Polystyrene (PS)	Versatility, clarity, easily formed	Although not typically accepted by most recyclers, Egg cartons; packing peanuts; disposable cups, plates, trays and cutlery; disposable take-away containers
	Other (often polycarbonate or ABS)	Dependent on polymers or combination of polymers	Beverage bottles; baby milk bottles; electronic casing

“the most easily managed waste is material that never becomes waste”

## LABORATORY APPRECIATION WEEK

*submitted by Dennis Dobson, Interim Director  
KDHE, Kansas Health and Environmental Laboratories (KHEL)*



During Laboratory Appreciation Week in April, KHEL recognized the great teams carrying out its public health mission. The team of Kay Herman, director, Kelly McPhail, Robert Bumgardner, Milroy Moses, Sherrie Stawinski, Selena Tavenner and Debra Seastrom work diligently in the Virology/Serology Laboratory. They perform serological analysis for HIV, Syphilis, Hepatitis A, B, and C, Rubella, mumps, Measles, molecular testing for Chlamydia and Gonorrhea and viral culture for herpes simplex, enteroviruses, and influenza. They project they will analyze 20,000 HIV specimens this year. They help with disease surveillance for pertussis, norovirus, influenza and mumps.

The Health Chemistry Laboratory has two teams. The neonatal section team is comprised of Colleen Peters, Laura Ross, Shawn Manos, Tess Lane, Laura Ross, Joyce Rich and Kathy Modin. They have gone from testing for PKU (phenylketonuria, a genetic disorder) in 1965 to now doing 28 tests using a single drop of blood collected from newborns shortly after birth. The blood lead team of Justin Lemieur and Kevin Neal test over 14,000 blood spot specimens each year for the Healthy Homes program to protect children from exposure to lead. Health Chemistry is headed by Stacey Sandstrom, who also helps with the Chemical portion of the Preparedness program.

The Preparedness team interacts with other teams in doing the work for natural or man-made outbreaks. Brian Hart works on the molecular testing to check for clinical specimens, including the first FDA approved method for simultaneous detection and typing of influenza. June Carroll works on the chemistry side of Preparedness, doing blood lead in whole blood, and is prepared to test blood and urine for various organophosphate nerve agent metabolites, and heavy metals. While Michelle Probasco was a member of the team (she has moved over to the Environmental Laboratory Improvement Program), she helped to analyze 89 blood specimens for mercury. Shannon Gabel not only heads these teams, but works on the security of the building and in helping train those laboratories that work in conjunction with KHEL for preparedness programs.

Diagnostic Microbiology works with various epidemiology programs to protect the citizens of Kansas. There is the TB laboratory where Thor Elliot has been working along with Carol Welch to prepare, identify and determine the antibiotic resistance of Mycobacterium tuberculosis. John Bahre is working in the parasite laboratory where he identifies intestinal, blood and ecto parasites. As a member of the CDC digital image network, he has contributed to the CDC online image library. Carissa Pursell works with organisms that are usually associated with food born outbreaks, such as Salmonella, Shigella and Campylobacter. She operates the Pulse Field Gel Electrophoresis (PFGE) laboratory, which is one of the first steps in determining whether there is a common cause for food illnesses. Erin Harvey is the team member working to spearhead food testing, where she isolates the suspected organism from food samples and then works with Carissa to matching the isolated organism's DNA with patterns from clinical specimens. Karen Franklin works to identify hard to identify organisms sent to the laboratory from physicians and health departments. Karen and Shannon would be the ones to identify a potential bioterrorist event sample. Dr. Kendall Bryant is the newest individual team member and he has been working with the TB lab, the PGFE lab and the reference laboratory. Of course, none of the work could get done if it wasn't for those that help to prepare the media, prepare the specimens, and clean and sterilize the glassware. That is done by the team of Carol Welch, Rebecca Robison and Belinda Wasson. Dr. Jason Wickstrum has been the lead team member since he came on board seven months ago. Dr. Wickstrum has also been helping in the enterics laboratory and TB laboratory in addition to his administrative duties.

The Sample and Data Management Section is the start and end of the Laboratory process. Amy Tyrone oversees the five other team members of the section. Eugenia Ackers helps with shipping environmental collection kits. Ron Peterson does the health collection kits and outgoing mail. And, Melanie Soza manages the sorting and shipping of all of the reports. All three help to log in the samples that are received and deliver samples to the respective laboratories. Rebecca Banka and Rebecca Lovelady enter the data from the samples and specimens. They also take the calls from county health departments and others asking questions about status and reports and other questions that may arise. From IT, we have Vim Arjunan and Steve Olson who help to make sure that the computer hardware and software used throughout the laboratory and the laboratory information management system (LIMS) are operating and functioning properly. All areas of the Laboratory have become very computer dependent, so this is a very vital part of the team.

Finally, the whole Laboratory team is far greater than the sum of its parts because of the interactions and help that happens to enhance everyone's skills. KHEL from its beginnings, with the creation of the Kansas State

Board of Health in 1885, to the present, has been helping with the vision of healthy Kansans living in a healthy and sustainable environment.

## FUNDING BEYOND THE NATIONAL LIBRARY OF MEDICINE AND THE NATIONAL NETWORK OF LIBRARIES OF MEDICINE

*submitted by Linda Frazier*

This is not intended to be comprehensive, but to serve as a starting point for finding grants and other sources of support.

### Specific Government Agencies

- **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC): Grants - Funding Opportunity Announcements** - Contains links to announcements, applications and forms, assurances certifications and frequently asked questions. Click on the CDC logo for more information
- **Health Resources and Service Administration (HRSA): Grants: Find, Apply, Review, Manage, Report** - Contains information regarding available grants, the grant cycles, and links to a list of grant administration references. Click the HRSA logo to visit the site links for grant preview and grant guidance information.
- **Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS)** - Through the Grants to States program, the IMLS provides funds to state libraries to support statewide initiatives and services or distribute the funds through subgrant competitions or cooperative agreements. Click on the IMLS logo for more information.
- **National Science Foundation (NSF): Find Funding** - Contains Guide to Programs, Overview of NSF Programs, Grant Proposal Guide and the Grant Policy Manual. The user can search the Online Document System for forms, policies and procedures, program announcements and project directory. There is a FAQ as well as links to electronic forms, regulations and outreach programs. NSF also has begun to implement Fastlane, an electronic grants management initiative. Click on the NSF logo for more information.
- **National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH): Grant programs offered by NEH** - Includes application guides and deadlines, information on the Digital Humanities Initiative with links to start up and challenge grants, and how to register and apply using Grants.gov. click on the NEH logo.
- **Office of Minority Health (OHM): Funding** - Provides information to support minority health projects. Information includes private and public foundations, directories, and community resources. The site has a search engine and allows the user to browse by the following subject categories: funding resources, grants, foundations and financial aid. A highlighted list of funding resources and new opportunities is now available. The Resource Center provides free search services for information on funding and other resources related to minority health. Click on the OHM logo for more information.
- **Office of Telecommunications and Information Applications (OTIA)** - Assists state and local governments, educational and health care entities, libraries, public service agencies, and other groups in effectively using telecommunications and information technologies to better provide public services and advance other national goals. Click on the OTIA logo for more information.
- **Rural Assistance Center (RAC): Funding** - Includes funding tips, opportunities, news and information guides. Click on the RAC logo for more information.
- **Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA): SAMHSA Grants** - Describes new grant material now available online and provides information needed by applicants in responding to SAMHSA Requests for



Applications (RFAs). Click on the SAMHSA logo for more information.

### Multi-Agency Sites

- Community of Science (COS): COS Funding Opportunities** - A comprehensive source of grant and award information for federal and regional governments, foundations, professional societies, associations, and corporations. Click on the COS logo for more information.


- The Grantsmanship Center: Funding Sources** - Links to federal, state, community foundations (by state) and international funding sources. Click on the Grantsmanship Center logo for more information.


- Grants.Gov** - Grants.gov offers one-stop shopping for information on applying for grants at all federal agencies. The Web site includes information on over \$350 billion in grant funds administered by over 900 grant programs at the federal government's 26 grant-making agencies. The Department of Health and Human Services is the managing partner for the Federal Grants.gov initiative. Click on the Grants.gov logo for more information.


- USA.gov for Nonprofits** - This site is designed to help nonprofit organizations access online Federal information and services. It contains information about grants, regulations, taxes, and other services. In the section "Non-Profit Resources", check out "Grants and Non-Financial support" which is searchable by Cabinet Department, Federal Agency and Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA). NOFAs are announcements that appear in the Federal Register daily. Click on the USA.gov logo for more information.


- USDA National Agricultural Library: Funding Resources** - Click the Rural Health Logo then click on "Funding Resources" under "Browse by Subject" to find links to Rural Funding Sources, the Federal Funding Sources for Rural Areas Database, and *A Guide to Funding Resources*. For more information click on the


- U.S. General Services Administration (GSA): Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance** - The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) is a catalog of Federal programs, projects, services, and activities providing assistance or benefits to the American public. The catalog contains financial assistance programs administered by departments and establishments of the Federal government. The search engine supports phrase searching; using quotes and Boolean operators; Adja-cent (ADJ), AND, OR, and NOT in all caps. Click on the GSA logo for more information.


- White House Faith-Based and Community Based Initiatives** - The White House Office and the Centers for the Faith-Based and Community Initiative - located in ten Federal agencies -- are working to support the essential work of faith-based and community organizations. Their goal is to make sure that grassroots leaders can compete on an equal footing for federal dollars. Click on the White House logo for more information.



### Private Funders

- Foundation Center** - Provides access to searching private, community and corporate foundations, and the foundation finder for address information. The starting points section includes an online Orientation to Grantseeking, the Guide to Funding Research and a Proposal Writing Course. An Online Librarian is available to answer questions not covered in the FAQ. LNPS Online allows the user to search philanthropy literature. Click on the Foundation Center logo for more information.


- Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF): Grant Applications** - The Foundation makes grants and contracts in support of programs and projects to improve health and health care in the United States. Click on the RWJF logo for more information.



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