

Kansas Statewide Farmworker Health

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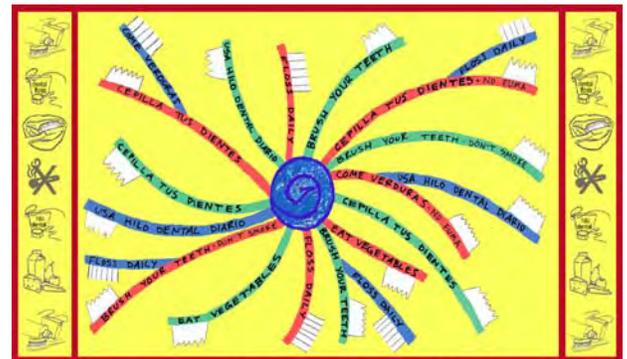
Oral health care is the focus of the 2009 KSFHP calendar. The picture was created by Kendra Baldrige, one of our regional case managers, to encourage farmworkers to eat well, not smoke, as well as brush and floss teeth to maintain and improve oral health.



KSFHP Staff at the Farmworker Conference

Midwest Farmworker Stream Forum

KSFHP staff attend the annual training conference every year to learn the newest information on helping farmworkers stay healthy and assure they receive the health services they need. This year the conference was in New Orleans. KSFHP staff learned how the demographics of farmworkers are changing nationally, evidenced based approaches to oral health, managing complications of hypertension and Diabetes, and Mexican folk healing medicine and folk beliefs.



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The calendars are being distributed to all registered farmworker families and KSFHP access point agencies. If you would like to have more calendars please contact Shelly Schroller, at (785) 296-6028 or sschroller@kdheks.gov.



Billing Deadline

Please notify billing personnel that all bills and vouchers for services from 12/1/07 to 11/30/08 must be submitted to us no later than January 16, 2008 to assure payment. If you have questions please contact your regional case manager listed below or Cyndi Treaster, at (785) 296-8113 or email ctreaster@kdheks.gov.

LEAP Program

Lower Extremity Amputation Prevention (LEAP) is a comprehensive program developed through Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) in the U.S. Dept of Health and Human Services that can dramatically reduce lower extremity amputations in individuals with diabetes mellitus, Hansen's disease, or any condition that results in loss of protective sensation in the feet.

The LEAP program consists of five relatively simple activities:

- Annual foot screening that identifies patients who have lost protective sensation
- Patient education which teaches the patient self-management skills
- Daily self inspection of the foot by the patient for early detection of foot injuries
- Appropriate footwear selection to avoid improperly fitting or poorly designed shoes
- Management of simple foot problems emphasizes the importance of reporting all injuries to the health care provider

Educational literature and online training resources can be found at the website www.hrsa.gov/leap/. Resources include free LEAP tests for individuals with diabetes, training on how to use the LEAP Monofilament, how to do a self-test foot screening, how to do a level one and level three foot screening and a low literacy patient education booklet.



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