

# Kansas Statewide Farmworker Health Program

*Together for a healthier Kansas*



Kansas Department of Health and Environment  
Bureau of Community Health Systems  
1000 SW Jackson, Suite 340  
Topeka, KS 66612-1365  
Telephone (785) 296-1200, Fax (785) 296-1231

[www.ksfhp.org](http://www.ksfhp.org)  
Volume 6, Issue 1



## Occupational Health

## Billing Reminders



Occupational Health is a focus of the Kansas Statewide Farmworker Health Program (KSFHP) this year. Aside from our calendar topics offering suggestions when working in the sun- protecting your skin, drinking plenty of water, and resting in the shade- KSFHP is also

distributing comic books same topics on pesticide safety. Please let KSHFP staff know if you would like some comics for your agency and to share with your clients.

There are also several webinars on these topics offered through the AgriSafe Network. Previous presentations included information from the National Pesticide Information Center such as Practical Resources for you and the People You Serve, Pesticides and Farmworker Health, and Falls and Aging Farmers. Upcoming AgriSafe Network webinars include:

Developing Instructional Designs to Educate Hispanic Agricultural Workers: June 23- 12 to 1pm  
<http://uiowa.adobeconnect.com/casuaaje/>

Overcoming Language and Literacy Barriers in Safety and Health Training of Agricultural Workers: Aug 10- 12 to 1pm  
<http://uiowa.adobeconnect.com/tarcury/>

You do not need to pre-register.

KSFHP staff will continue to inform partners and providers of upcoming educational opportunities or you can look directly on their website at [www.agrisafe.org](http://www.agrisafe.org).

Please notify billing personnel to submit bills as soon as possible after service to facilitate timely payment. KSFHP is accepting bills for Farmworker services on 12/1/10 or after and TB services on 7/1/10 or after. If you have questions, please contact your Regional Case Manager listed at the end of the newsletter or Cyndi Treaster at (785) 296-8113 or [ctreaster@kdheks.gov](mailto:ctreaster@kdheks.gov).

## KDHE Reorganization

Beginning July 1, 2011 the Kansas Health Policy Authority, which is the agency that manages HealthWave, is merging into the Kansas Department of Health and Environment. Also, the Bureau of Local and Rural Health (where KSFHP resides) has merged with the Bureau of Public Health Preparedness and is now called the Bureau of Community Health Systems (BCHS). The section that houses KSFHP is now called the Special Population Health Section.

Although there are many changes occurring and likely more changes to come, our program information and staff remain constant. Please contact Cyndi Treaster if you have any questions regarding these changes.



# KSFHP Resources

KSFHP realizes that resources for time and travel are limited, and, as a result, KSFHP staff will continue to offer webinars to orient and educate KSFHP Providers. If you would be interested in scheduling a webinar for your agency or add any staff to our e-mail list, please contact Kendra Baldrige at [kbaldrige@kdheks.gov](mailto:kbaldrige@kdheks.gov) or (785) 296-2671. We are also sending out our newsletter only electronically in order to save paper and postage. Contact Kendra to be added to the e-mail list.

## Provider Survey

At the end of March, staff sent out a bi-annual survey for KSFHP Access Points and Voucher Providers. This survey is used to ask for feedback and suggestions from KSFHP Voucher Providers across the state. The results are used to inform decisions and changes to improve the program. Although this is the third time this survey has been done, it is the first time that it was distributed and completed via Survey Monkey. There has been a great response, and we want to thank everyone who took the time to complete the survey. We are in the process of analyzing the results and will report back in our next newsletter.

**THANK YOU!**

# KSFHP Annual Report

KSFHP reports annually to our grantors about the services that we provide. KSFHP staff served a total of 4,559 farmworkers and their dependents in 2010. That is up from 4,443 in 2009.

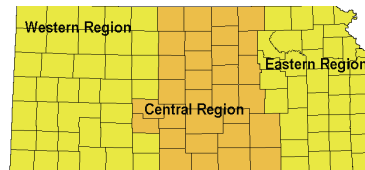
- Almost 72% of pregnant women received prenatal care in the first trimester.
- Of two-year-olds in the program, 60% were up-to-date on their immunizations by their second birthday.
- Forty-three percent of diabetic patients had an HbA1c under 7.

All of these statistics are more than just numbers as KSFHP staff works directly with clients to assist them in receiving the care that they need.

**Same program website  
New URL address**

**Check it out at  
[www.ksfhp.org](http://www.ksfhp.org)**

Cyndi Treaster: Director (785) 296-8113 [ctreaster@kdheks.gov](mailto:ctreaster@kdheks.gov)



### Western Region

Tina Guenther  
Office: (620) 275-4970  
Cell: (620) 952-1470  
[tguenther@ummam.org](mailto:tguenther@ummam.org)

Health Promoter  
Helen Loewen  
Cell: (620) 290-8027  
[wksfhp1g@gmail.com](mailto:wksfhp1g@gmail.com)

### Western Region

Mary Marquez  
Office: (620) 225-1873  
Cell: (620) 428-1762  
[mmarquez@ummam.org](mailto:mmarquez@ummam.org)

Health Promoter  
Juan Coy  
Cell: (620) 253-8411  
[cnksfhpsp@gmail.com](mailto:cnksfhpsp@gmail.com)

### Central Region

Patricia Fernandez  
Office: (785) 296-8983  
Cell: (620) 617-7428  
[pfernandez@kdheks.gov](mailto:pfernandez@kdheks.gov)

Health Promoter  
Lotti Boschmann  
Cell: (316) 644-0243  
[cnksfhp@gmail.com](mailto:cnksfhp@gmail.com)

### Eastern Region

Kendra Baldrige  
Office: (785) 296-2671  
Cell: (816) 590-7577  
[kbaldrige@kdheks.gov](mailto:kbaldrige@kdheks.gov)

Health Promoter  
Francesca Beard  
Cell: (913) 608-1782  
[esksfhp@gmail.com](mailto:esksfhp@gmail.com)

Please note that health providers should contact Regional Case managers for assistance