MAPP ~ Local Public Health System

On July 19th, forty-two partners representing agencies and individuals from around the county convened for a 7 hour assessment planning session. The Local Public Health System Assessment is one of the four MAPP assessments that inform the development of a strategic community health improvement plan. With guidance from trained facilitator and consultant Dr. Beverly Trina-Tremain and sub facilitators, Tom Emerson, Breann Jensen and Carolyn Boland, participants scored responses to assessment questions using individual voting cards. After voting was complete for the assigned section, groups engaged in discussion about those questions with the least consensus and voted on these questions again. Final scores were determined either by consensus or by averaging votes. Data was submitted to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for analysis.

In October the Lafayette County Health Department was awarded a grant in the amount of $75,000 from the Healthcare Foundation of Greater Kansas City. Of the grant $50,000 will be used to complete the MAPP process phases 4-6. The purpose of the assessment is to identify the activities and capacities of our local public health system and identify areas for strengthening the system’s ability to address day-to-day public health issues and respond to public health emergencies. The LPHSA uses the National Public Health Performance Standards Program. The assessment focuses on standards designed around the Ten Essential Public Health Services:

- Environmental Health
- Communicable Disease
- Immunizations/Education
- School activities
- Emergency Preparedness
- Vital Records—birth/death certificates
HCC Project Connect Odessa- One day public health clinic for adults. The Lafayette County Health Department participated in HCC Odessa Project Connect on July 22, 2016. The Lafayette County Health Department distributed vouchers for individuals to come in to the health department and receive birth/death certificates and Tdap immunizations cost free. Over 93 people came to the event for services.

PRESENTATIONS AND TRAININGS

August 9, 2016 ~ Georgia Guthrie, LPN and Breann Jensen, Public Health Educator attended the Youth Tobacco Training.

August 31, 2016 ~ Carolyn Boland, RN and Breann Jensen, Public Health Educator conducted a presentation on Blood Borne Pathogens to all of the Concordia school staff.
SAVING SMILES

September 7, 2016 ~ Early Childhood Center

September 15, 2016 ~ Grandview Elementary School

September 21, 2016 ~ Immanuel Lutheran School

September 29, 2016 ~ Wellington-Napoleon R-IX

Saving Smiles was developed in 2006. It is a school outreach program in which children receive an oral screening, fluoride varnish treatment, oral health education, and referrals to dentists with follow-up to insure care.
The third annual Live Healthy Live Well (LHLW) Day was held September 29th in Waverly to recognize participants that have been involved in the Healthy Eating Active Living (HEAL) project. It is sponsored by the Live Healthy, Live Well Partnership, Lafayette County Health Department (LCHD) and the University of MO Extension. The agency worksites taking part this year in the project were recognized with a certificate of participation presented by the project coordinator, Marsha Corbin, and LCHD lead agency representative, Carolyn Boland. Cinda Dowell was recognized as the LHLW Community Champion for 2016 in appreciation of her contributions of time, energy, leadership and involvement in numerous projects with LHLW Partners in the Odessa community.

The two primary focuses of HEAL as the name states are healthy eating and active living. In order to make a difference on a broad scale, on the healthy eating portion, LHLW partners are working with the Parks and Recreation Departments in the communities of Concordia, Higginsville, Lexington and Odessa. Efforts have been aimed at promoting healthy food options in their concession menu choices. The Eat Smart in Parks Toolkit developed by Missouri Foundation for Health, University of Missouri Extension and Missouri Council for Activity and Nutrition has been utilized as a model to guide this process. For the active living component, LHLW partners have been providing leadership in the growth of worksite wellness in several businesses in the county. Worksites that are taking part in the project are looking to include interventions and policies that promote healthy lifestyles to their employees with the intention of improved overall health and fitness.

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OUTREACH FLU CLINICS

September 6, 2016 ~ Concordia Senior Center
September 8, 2016 ~ Pioneer House
   Odessa Senior Center
September 9, 2016 ~ City of Wellington
   Langdon & Emison
September 13, 2016 ~ Lexington MFA
   Margaret Gray Senior Center
   Aull Lane Senior Apartments
September 20, 2016 ~ Waverly DYS
   City of Waverly
September 22, 2016 ~ Wincup
   Higginsville Senior Center
   Magnolia Manor
September 27, 2016 ~ Courthouse & Sheriff’s Department