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Zero to age 21: Information Promoting Success for Public Health Professionals working with Kansas Kids

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School Nurses Shall Disclose Health Information Required to be reported for Infectious Diseases in Kansas



The childhood disease, varicella, is only one of 57 diseases that are required to be reported by any health-care provider, hospital, laboratory, or includes nurses practicing in the school setting. As with any health provider, consideration of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) and the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) Regulations may be a reason for “pause” as the school nurse searches for documentation to support reporting without the signed consent of a parent or guardian. However, according to Dr. Gail Hansen, State Epidemiologist, Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE), the Kansas law, K.S.A. 65-118 requires that suspected or confirmed cases of disease be reported by nurses, teachers, school administrators, as well as by other health professionals, to the public health authority.

According to Dr. Hansen, “the diseases listed in Kansas Administrative Regulation (K.A.R.) 28-1-2 must be reported because

they are considered a potential threat to the health and safety of Kansas citizens.” Dr. Hansen further explains, “All information is collected and maintained in strict confidence and cannot be disclosed even with a court subpoena, except to the extent necessary to protect the public’s health.”

“Both the HIPAA Privacy Rule and FERPA allows the sharing of protected health information with public health authorities that are authorized by law to collect or receive such information to aid them in their mission of protecting the health of the public”, says Dr. Hansen.

Once a school nurse has identified a communicable disease that’s required to be reported, a **Kansas Notifiable Disease Form** should be completed and mailed or faxed to the local health department or the Office of Surveillance and Epidemiology at KDHE. Some diseases require immediate telephone notification to KDHE at (877) 427-7317; that number has 24-hour coverage by an epidemiologist. A copy of the report form can be put into the student’s health record as documentation.

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Celebrate Cover the Uninsured Week

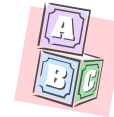
Cover the Uninsured Week will be celebrated April 23 – 29. Join others across the United States in celebrating Cover the Uninsured Week by handing out fact sheets and materials that explain the importance of getting coverage for uninsured children. Also, you can visit the following Web site in order to access and download materials that will enable you to become more fully involved in the celebration of Cover the Uninsured Week: <http://covertheuninsured.org/>





PERINATAL HEALTH

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National Infant Immunization Week



National Infant Immunization Week (NIIW) is an annual observance to promote the benefits of immunizations and to focus on the importance of immunizing infants against vaccine-preventable diseases by age two.

This year NIIW will again be held in conjunction with the Pan American Health Organization's Vaccination Week in the Americas (VWA), April 21-28. The U.S. will join together with 39 countries in the Western Hemisphere to concurrently promote the need for routine vaccinations for infants and children during the last week in April.

Since 1994, NIIW has provided an excellent oppor-

tunity for local and state health departments, national immunization partners, healthcare providers, and community leaders from across the country to highlight the positive impact of immunization on the lives of infants and children and to call attention to immunization achievements.

Join in the celebration—create your own NIIW event and help to ensure that all children in your community have a healthy and safe childhood free from vaccine-preventable diseases!

For more information go to www.cdc.gov/nip/events/niiw/default.htm

A Breastfeeding Must Read



The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists' (ACOG) Committee on Health Care for Underserved Women, Committee on Obstetric Practice has produced a special report detailing guidelines for breastfeeding. This interdisciplinary group of obstetric experts created this report in order to distribute their guidelines for breast-

feeding to a very wide audience. Further, it is their hope that this information will be shared with mothers to benefit both them and their infants.

This report begins with a background of interest in the benefits of breastfeeding and continues with some of the reasons ACOG strongly supports breastfeeding and calls on its Fellows, other health professionals caring for women and their infants, hospitals and employers to support women in choosing to breastfeed their infants. In addition, the report discusses barriers to breastfeeding and provides clear information concerning who should and should not breastfeed. Other issues including: preconception and prenatal breastfeeding education, support of breastfeeding

during labor and delivery, postpartum breastfeeding education and support and many more are discussed.

In summary, ACOG's Committee on Health Care for Underserved Women, Committee on Obstetric Practice emphasizes the importance of obstetric and other health care practitioners caring for pregnant women to regularly provide accurate information about breastfeeding to expectant mothers and be prepared to support them should any problems arise during breastfeeding. In order to access this report go to: www.breastfeedingtaskforla.org/ACOG%20statement%20on%20BF.pdf For information on a Kansas study on breastfeeding's protection against childhood obesity go to: www.kdheks.gov/nws-wic/download/BF_January_07_Newsletter.pdf





CHILD HEALTH

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“Springing” into Action: Immunization and Physical Examinations Requirements for School Entry Begin Now



Spring heralds the promise of summer break and more “care free” days; however, public health practitioner knows that those days are filled with preparation for the next school year that will begin in August. Two important health components for daycare, preschool, and school age children are current immunizations and a copy of a physical examination for school entry or for participation in interscholastic sports at the secondary level.

To assist Kansas’s school and public health nurses searching for information about immunization and physical examination requirements for any child in “out of home” care, including school attendance, here are answers to the most common questions related to this topic:

- **Will children older than first grade be required to have the varicella vaccine as required for kindergarten and first graders for 2007 - 2008?**

No, the two-dose varicella vaccine is recommended for all children. There is a new Kansas Certificate of Immunization (KCI) form available through the Kansas Immunization Program at the Kansas Department of Health (KDHE). www.kdheks.gov/immunize/download/School_Nurse_Memo_Jan_2007.pdf

- **Will children who will be attending public school preschool programs be required to have a physical examination for school entry?**

Yes, as the Kansas Health Assessment Statute 72-5214, Section (8)(b) states, “. . . every pupil up to the age of nine years who has not previously enrolled in any school in this state, prior to admission to and attendance in school, shall present to the appropriate school board the results of a health assessment, pursuant to subsection (g), which assessment shall have been conducted within 12 months of school entry . . .” www.kslegislature.org/legsrv-statutes/getStatuteInfo.do

Children should be receiving physical examinations as

recommended by their medical home provider. The American Academy of Pediatrics has a well-child examination schedule available. American Academy of Pediatrics Periodicity Schedule for Well-Child Visits <http://practice.aap.org/content.aspx?aid=1599>

- **What are the immunization and physical examination requirements for a child is attending a daycare or preschool that’s not associated with the school district?**

If nurses are providing services to children in other non-school daycare or preschool programs, Kansas Administrative Regulation 28-4-117(1)(a) addresses physical health of children: “A completed medical record on a form supplied by the department shall be on file for each child under 11 years of age enrolled for care, and for each child under 16 living in the facility . . .” www.kdheks.gov/bcclr/forms/Medical%20Records%20for%20all%20Children.pdf

Remember, that children attending any out of home daycare or preschool must be in compliance with age appropriate immunizations.

- **What is the date that a student may have a sports / activities physical done for participation in the fall?**

Physical examinations for the purpose of participation in a secondary level activity or sport must be done after May 1. www.kshsaa.org/forms.htm

Nurses providing services to school age populations serve as an important source of information for families about health practices and recommendations for their children. Although children are entering school at earlier ages, the opportunity to ensure that children are meeting age appropriate immunization requirements, obtaining examinations and screenings to determine health status, and establish a link to a medical home, is an important component of the school nurse’s work.

Nurses may want to include information related to school entry requirements at preschool and kindergarten orientation, in enrollment packets, and if possible, post on school or clinic websites.

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To access a list of reportable diseases in Kansas and the reporting form, the Kansas statute and regulations regarding reporting of infectious or contagious disease, and detailed information regarding HIPAA and FERPA, you are encouraged to access the links provided below:

- 2006 Reportable Diseases in Kansas and Reporting Form

www.kdheks.gov/epi/download/KANSAS_NOTIFIABLE_DISEASE_FORM.pdf

- Kansas Administrative Regulation 28-1-2, **Designation of infectious or contagious.**

www.kdheks.gov/epi/download/28-1-2.pdf

- Kansas Public Health Statute 65-118. **Reporting to local health authority as to infectious or contagious diseases; persons reporting; immunity from liability; confidentiality of information; disclosure.**

www.kslegislature.org/legsrv-statutes/getStatuteInfo.do

- Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report, *HIPAA Privacy Rule and Public Health: Guidance for CDC and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services*, 2003.

www.cdc.gov/mmwr/pdf/other/m2e411.pdf

- Forum Guide to The Privacy of Student Information: A Resource for Schools, National Forum on Education Statistics, July 2006.

<http://nces.ed.gov/pubs2006/2006805.pdf>



ADOLESCENT HEALTH

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REB RIBBON TRAINING



In 1985, a Drug Enforcement Agent named Enrique "Kiki" Camarena was murdered. Kiki was very close to uncovering the identities of key members of a Mexican drug cartel. He was kidnapped and killed just days before he was to identify these kingpins of illegal drug trafficking in Mexico.

Enrique's death enraged many Americans, and people in his hometown of Calexico, California so they began wearing red ribbons in his memory. The red ribbon symbolized Kiki's sacrifice to prevent loss of life from drug use. Local parent groups across the nation joined in honoring Kiki by wearing red ribbons and in 1988, the National Family Partnership and its affiliated organizations began

to wear Red Ribbons as a symbol of their commitment to fight the illegal use of drugs.

Since 1995, Red Ribbon enlisted thousands of Kansans to join in the fight against the illegal use of drugs, alcohol and tobacco. Each year, the Red Ribbon Campaign provides a major force for raising awareness and mobilizing communities in the fight against drugs.

For training information and to find out how your school can get involved call Maria Torrez Anderson at (800)206-7231 or go to :

www.kansasfamily.com/documents/redRibbonregistrationFormFebruary2007A.pdf

Choose Respect Podcast Contest Open to Kansas Youth



The Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) is collaborating with the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to create a podcast series for the Choose Respect Initiative. Kansans ages 11-16 are invited to enter a writing contest to develop scripts to ensure the series is youth driven. The focus is on choosing healthy relationships and avoiding behaviors that would lead to future dating violence.

For more information about the Choose Respect Initiative, visit www.chooserespect.org.



High School Hero

A hero, that's what one family is calling Seamen High School's nurse, Geri Oppitz, for saving their 16-year-old son, Jason Lutz. Jason lived because his school nurse used an automated external defibrillator on him when she recognized that he had gone into cardiac arrest. Jason later found out he has a heart condition and had a pace maker inserted. "He was in football, in track, and wrestling," his mother said. "He passed every physical, and there was never a sign that this would happen."

Now the family and staff want to see all schools equipped with defibrillators. "Hopefully we can get it federally mandated that all schools in America and the United States can have AED (automated external defibrillator) machines available to them," said Jason's father, Jason Lutz Senior.

If you do not have an AED, you may want to consider acquiring this device. An AED can check a person's heart rhythm, and recognize a rhythm that requires a shock. With a few minutes of training, anyone can learn to operate an AED safely. You will want to work with your emergency medical system (EMS) first-response team when acquiring an AED. For more information on an AED go to the American Heart Association and look at the implementation guidelines www.americanheart.org/downloadable/heart/110262192170770-2272%20AED%20ImplementGuide.pdf



PUBLIC HEALTH

Children and Families Section



Kansas Rural Health Information System (KHRIS) Expands Topic Areas for Practitioners



The KDHE Office of Local & Rural Health recently expanded the scope of the *Kansas Rural Health Information System (KRHIS)* to better serve customers. KRHIS is a wonderful tool for public health practitioners to receive the most current and appropriate information for practice areas. You can register to receive notices from the KRHIS site for free by creating a profile for yourself, indicating topic areas that you are interested in. Once registered, you will receive notices pertinent to your practice area / area of interest. The following are an changes to / examples of categories you may select and information you will receive based on those topical areas:

- **Public & Community Health** with 3 new subcategories.
 1. **Schools** - notices will include guidance and updates from state and federal agencies and associations, planning and preparedness resources,

conference notices, and journal articles.

2. **Healthy Kansas 2010** - notices will consist of federal updates and state notices and announcements.
3. **Health Disparity & Cultural Competency** - notices will focus on federal and state resources and announcements, conference, training opportunities, and grant opportunities.

- **Emergency Preparedness.**
- **Health Information Technology (HIT)**
- **Rural Health Clinics**

Go to www.kdheks.gov/olrh to enter the KRHIS website by clicking on the pink box in the right column of the webpage. You may then either create or update your profile to receive notices via email! Should you need additional assistance please contact Allen Sester at: asester@kdhe.state.ks.us.

School Nurses and Public Health Nurses Share Collaborative Practices

Throughout the month of February and into mid-March, the *School Nurse and Public Health Nurse: Collaboration as Best Practice Workshops* have provided an abundance of information and resources to attendees. Facilitated by Brenda Nickel, Child and School Health Consultant, Public Health Specialists, Debbie Whitmer and Jon Anderson, and Linda Frazier, Kansas Department of Health and Environment Workforce Development Coordinator, participants actively engaged in rediscovering what many public health providers often do: collaborate and create for innovative delivery of health promotion and prevention strategies within communities.

Six health departments were awarded grants for the 2006 - 2007 school year to develop or enhance a collaborative project with their community school nurse or community medical / dental providers to be completed by mid-July. Each of these health departments and school districts submitted projects unique to the needs/ issues impacting the health of school age children within their communities:

- **Franklin County / USD 290** – increase insurance coverage / access to medical homes for school age children through participation in community wide activities targeting families with children.
- **Harvey County / USD 369, 373, 439, 440, 460** – promote / provide preventive dental services / referrals for school age children in Harvey county utilizing their current community partners who have a strong interest in oral health.
- **Lincoln County / USD 298 / County Extension Office** – be expanding nutrition education to junior and senior high

students through educational activities / programs, as well as a day that students and their families can come to school for meals using “Fat Bucks” to pay for food selections. The school’s food service program is enthusiastically participating, along with the local extension office.

- **Ottawa County / USD 239** – plan a health education fair for 2007 graduating high school seniors to provide information on issues impacting young people as they transition into “life after high school”, whether post secondary education or into the workforce. Information will be provided by 23 participating community agencies including local law enforcement, banks, local businesses, health agencies and the school. Interactive booths will include accessing health care / applying for health insurance, maintaining immunization status, how to make medical appointments, preventive measures for sexual health, learning the financial and personal liberty impact of traffic tickets, to name but a few topics.
- **Trego County / USD 208** – promotes the Yellow Ribbon Suicide Prevention Program with the support of families and the community that has been impacted by mental health concerns / suicide of local youth during the past year. A community wide program is planned for parents, their children and other community members to attend.
- **Sheridan County / USD 412** – launched several projects: promotion of Gardasil, promotion of physical activity / health lifestyles for students / faculty, promotion of mental health issues in youth, and addressing issues of regular vaccination with education / implementation.

Twenty nine other health departments and school districts shared current collaborations occurring in Kansas.



SCHOOL HEALTH

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Keep Our School Healthy Program Being Utilized by School Nurses this Spring



The new "Keep Our School Healthy" program, starring Dr. Howard Rodenberg, Director, Division of Health, KDHE and Christine Tuck, Director of Health Services and School Nurse, Seaman School District, is an educational program created as part of the KDHE's "Don't Let the Flu Bug U" campaign. These instructional materials have been sent to school nurses and school districts statewide for use in educating school age children in good health habits that may prevent them from contracting the flu. The program contains two instructional videos aimed at kindergarten through third grade students, and children in grades four through sixth. There are various instructional materials to assist schools in educating their students.

Mitchell County USD 273 school nurse, Ardella Wessling, shared how she's used the educational materials in her school during the *School Nurse and Public Health Nurse Collaborative Practice* workshop in Concordia. Ardella has provided the video and educational materials to the teachers at Beloit Elementary School to use in their classrooms as an adjunct educational tool. Ardella reported that the teachers and students enjoyed the videos finding them fun and full of helpful information that will assist in reducing the risk of many airborne diseases, including flu!

To view the read more about the program and download the video and instructional materials, go to www.kdheks.gov/flu/FluBugU.htm

Nemaha County's New School Nurse Continues to Address Student Health Needs After Fire Destroys Elementary and Junior High School

by Jane Sunderland, Administrator, Nemaha County Community Health Services

An early morning fire destroyed the main portion of the Seneca Grade School and Nemaha Valley Junior High School on Saturday, March 10. School resumed on March 19 after 275 kindergartens through eighth grade students were displaced. Temporary classrooms have been established in five different sites around the town. Seneca, population 2,085, is located in Northeast Kansas in Nemaha County.

Nemaha County Community Health Services contracts with USD 442 to provide nursing services for this school district. Wendy Lierz, RN, is in her first year of school nursing at USD 442. The fire completely destroyed her office. Fortunately, student health records located in the nurse's office were salvageable. However, all other items in her office were a complete loss. Not only has Wendy

tackled the role of a new school nurse, but also she's accepted the challenges of the fire as well! In a week's time, she and other school staff relocated to a vacant building which was formerly a restaurant. She is now working hard to meet the student's health needs in spite of the disruption and loss.

Community members and schools across Kansas have been generous in donating school supplies, medical supplies, desks, chairs, and computers.

If you would like to donate any unused or extra health supplies, you are encouraged to contact Jane Sunderland, Administrator, Nemaha County Health Department, 1004 Main Street, P.O. Box 146, Sabetha, Kansas 66534-0146, (785) 985-2778, or ncchs@carsoncomm.com.

2007 Kansas School Nurse Organization Nominations



The Kansas School Nurse Organization (KSNO) is seeking nominations for Kansas School Nurse of the Year, Kansas School Nurse Administrator of the Year, Kansas School Administrator of the Year, and KSNO Recognition Award.

Complete the nomination forms and return to: Joann Wheeler, RN, BSN, Vermillion Primary School, 501 James, Maize, KS 67101 (316)722-0266 or E-mail jwheeler@usd266.com.

For eligibility and procedures go to www.ksno.org/nominating_procedure.html.

EVENTS



RESOURCES

The Kansas Fatherhood Coalition announces the **5th Annual Fatherhood Summit** on April 12 and 13 at Jack Reardon Center in Kansas City, KS. Social workers, nurses, counselors, home visitors, fathers, mothers, grandparents, Head Start staff, and community leaders are invited to attend. The cost is \$90 for practitioners and \$25 for parents. Keynote speakers will be Dr. Adolph Brown III, founder of Wellness Group, Inc.; Coach Bill Snyder, former head coach from KSU; and George Williams, executive director of the Urban Father-Child Partnership. Register at www.thedonnaveatchgroup.com/07ksfather.html.

Public Health Nursing Course Available for Nurses wanting background in community health nursing begins April 16. *Principles of Public Health Nursing: Population Based Practice*, part of the Learning with Lilly Series is a course created specifically for nurses currently working in public health who do not have a baccalaureate degree or who have not completed a course in community/public health in their nursing educational program. CEU's and academic credit hours available. The class consists of 10 lessons to be completed between April 16th and July 30th. For more information regarding course content / objectives or to register for the class, visit KS-Train at <http://krhis.kdhe.state.ks.us/olrh/website.nsf/M a i n F r a m e S e t ? OpenFrameSet&Frame=NotesView&Src=http://krhis.kdhe.state.ks.us/olrh/Notices.nsf/b f 2 5 a b 0 f 4 7 b a 5 d - d785256499006b15a4/364632ABFD1DE4DB862572A70062BCB6>



2nd 2007 Annual Governor's Public Health Conference: New Frontiers in Public Health April 30 – May 2, 2nd Annual Governor's Public Health Conference at the Grand Prairie Conference Center in Hutchison. Three full days of learning will provide participants with innovative and inspiring information to meet the health needs of the maternal and child populations in our state. You'll find the conference content to be "out of this world" leading public health practitioners to New Frontiers in Public Health! The conference brochure and registration are available through the KS TRAIN website at <https://ks.train.org/DesktopShell.aspx>



General Public Health

North Central Regional Public Health Meeting;
Mitchell County, Mar 27

Region VII Public Health and Emergency Preparedness Conference; KCMO Apr. 16-19

For a full list of trainings offered see <http://ks.train.org>

National Healthy Schools Day—Resources to help plan an event for your school can be found at www.healthyschools.org/nhs_day.html. There are free educational workshop in recognition of National Healthy Schools Day. Please join the Health Schools Network, Environmental Protection Agency Region 7, Children's Mercy Hospital, the Blue Valley School District, and the Association of School Business Officials for a training that will discuss how the built environment impacts academic performance; the latest information on health sustainable school buildings; new energy efficient technology in lighting, heating, ventilating and air conditioning systems; and alternative Operation and Maintenance practices for improved Indoor Air Quality

May is Asthma Awareness Month: World Asthma Day is May 1. In support of Asthma Awareness Month, EPA has developed materials to assist in planning asthma outreach events. Visit www.epa.gov/asthma/awm.html today to view these materials and get involved in Asthma Awareness Month! EPA's Web site includes a map of Asthma Awareness Month activities where you can see what is planned in your state. You can also obtain the Event Planning Kit, which is a free resource for community organizers, health care providers, school nurses, teachers, and everyone who is committed to raising asthma awareness. The Kit includes ideas and tips on organizing events in local schools, hospitals, clinics, libraries, and state capitals, and provides sample proclamations, letters to the editor, and other resources to make it easy for you to organize outreach events.

Resource on Folic Acid Counseling in a Healthcare Setting "The ABC's of Folic Acid Counseling" was developed in cooperation with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the National Spina Bifida Association. Folic acid counseling is the next step on the road to achieving better overall consistency in practice in ensuring all women learn about and then consume the amount of folic acid that is appropriate for them daily. In order to download a copy of, *The ABC's of Folic Acid Counseling* go to: www.sbaa.org and click on the *ABC's of Folic Acid* link in the opening paragraph on the National Spina Bifida Web page.

Social hosting is providing and/or serving alcohol to a young person who is under age 21. It can take place in a party-like atmosphere or by any adult simply providing alcohol to young people and their peers for them to drink. It can even extend to parents and homeowners who are not on the premises and/or did not provide the alcohol. To read more on the Social Hosting law and the penalty associated with KSA 21-3610, go to www.kslegislature.org/legsrv-statutes/index.do.

**God made
the world
round so
we would
never be
able to see
too far
down the
road.**

-Isak Dinesen



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We hope this newsletter continues to be a useful resource for you. We encourage you to give us your comments, feedback and suggestions. Previous editions of ZIPS can be found at:

www.kdheks.gov/c-f/zips/

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2007 Kansas School Nurse Summer Conference



The 18th annual Kansas School Nurse Summer Conference, "The Mosaic of School Health: Inspiring Creative Practice, Embracing Diversity", will be at the Wichita Hyatt with the New Nurse Session on July 16 – 17, the General Session on July 17 – 19, and will end with Post Conference Sessions on July 19 – 20. Diversity related to ethnicity

and culture, socioeconomic considerations, life-style and life choices, physical, mental and behavioral health will be addressed, as well as those fundamentally basic topics embraced by school nursing daily: preventive health and safety measures, current health issues / trends, laws impacting the practice of nursing in schools, as well as other "school health basics."

To obtain a brochure or to register on-line, visit the Wichita State University's Office of University Conferences website at <http://webs.wichita.edu/?u=conted&p=/conference> and scroll down to Kansas School Nurse Conference.

PANDEMIC ACTION KIT



This Kit is available in multiple formats. On this site you can download the kit in its entirety as a PDF file. Visit www.kasb.org/panflu/ to access:

- Pandemic Flu Mitigation Guidance and Kansas Closure Recommendations
- Kansas Pandemic Flu School Preparedness Plan Template
- Process Documents and Samples
- Surveillance Reporting Documents and Samples
- Parent Information Documents and Samples
- Media Material and Public Information Resources
- School Tabletop Exercise Document

This Kit is also available on CD. If you would like a CD version, please contact the Kansas Association of School Boards at (785)273-3600.

Special Edition



Ask Ken! Electronic Submission of Data & CVRs

WebMCH

Q: Does an intervention/assessment have to be reported to be counted in our user numbers?

A: Yes, if an intervention/assessment is not reported the data will not be reported on any report or show up as an encounter.

Q: When can my county go to WebMCH data collection system?

A: Testing using pilot counties continues but additional users will be brought on in the next few months.

Q: When I report a Healthy Start Home Visit, do I have to do an intervention?

A: Yes, HSHVs must complete the Outreach and Support intervention to document the visit, this is the only place referrals are recorded. Both education provided and referrals are collected here and are very important to the Healthy Start program.

Q: Do I have to report immunizations on WebMCH?

A: Not on WebMCH. This data is queried from the immunization registry if that's what the county uses.

Q: Has there been a change in how income is reported?

A: Yes, a change from monthly to yearly income level is collected and the location of the income box has changed.

Q: Do I have to send in paper CVRs on WebMCH for family planning.

A: Yes, family planning is not on WebMCH, so you must continue data submission for family planning either through KIPHS or by paper CVRs.

KIPHS and CVR Data

Q: Do I have to report immunizations on CVRs or the KIPHS system?

A: Yes, all immunizations have to be reported as encounters. The immunization registry is not queried for immunizations unless the county is on WebMCH. A well child or KBH do not have to be reported when an immunization is done. However, if the KBH or well child assessment is done when the immunization is given, the assessment and immunization must be reported on electronic upload of KIPHS and paper CVR.

Q: Can I determine if any data is missing from the report text that I receive from you after each upload?

A: Yes, you can tell if some data is missing. Look at the "Reports Read in from Input File"