



Public Health Update

What's New in Public Health?

LEAD POISONING PREVENTION WEEK

Next week is **Lead Poisoning Prevention Week** and we want to highlight the dangers of lead exposure, especially for children!

Many older homes still contain lead-based paints which can be extremely harmful to children. Lead exposure can impair a child's normal development, resulting in lifelong effects.

Blood lead testing is an inexpensive and effective way to determine if lead exposure has occurred and ensures that follow-up care can begin.

Blood lead testing is available at your local Health Department. Give us a call to schedule an appointment today!

If you'd like to learn more, then check out **Season 1 Episode 10** of our podcast or listen on YouTube at the following link: youtu.be/66ARI-mdrE4

RESPIRATORY ILLNESS IMMUNIZATIONS

Respiratory illness season is here and the best protection you can get is through immunizations!

Flu, RSV, & COVID shots are now available at the Health Department!

After a shot, it can take up to 2 weeks to develop full protection, so make sure you get your shots before respiratory illness season is in full swing.

Give us a call and schedule an appointment today!

Ark City: (620) 442-3260

Winfield: (620) 221-1430

OCTOBER 24 - EARLY CLOSURE

On Friday, October 24, both locations of the Health Department will close early at 12:00 pm.

Our normal business hours will resume on Monday, October 27.



BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

In the battle against breast cancer, there are several tools available that can help women stay safe. Routine care and regular screenings are some of the most effective ways to help ensure that problems are caught early and treated early.

Your Health Department's **Early Detection Works (EDW) Program** connects uninsured and underinsured women with these tools and other necessary resources to stay safe from cancer.

If you are interested in participating, then give us a call today!

NOVEMBER 10 - DRIVE-THRU FLU CLINIC

For those who missed our October Drive-thru Clinics, we will be hosting one more clinic.

The next clinic will be held on Monday, November 10th behind the Winfield location of the Health Department from 2:00pm to 4:00pm.

There is no appointment necessary! Clients only need to bring photo ID & insurance.