



PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATE

What's New in Public Health?

October Drive-Thru Flu Clinics

October marks the beginning of flu season and there's no better protection from the virus than a yearly flu shot. However, we are often so busy that it can be difficult to find the time to schedule an appointment. That's why we'll be hosting 2 special Drive-Thru Flu Clinics!

It's simple: drive up, fill out some paperwork, get your shot, and you're all set!

There's no appointment necessary, just bring your photo ID and insurance card. Check the details below and mark your calendar to make sure you get the protection you need this flu season.

Winfield

Wednesday, October 4th
10:00am to 5:00pm
Barn 4, Winfield Fairgrounds
1105 W 9th Ave

Ark City

Wednesday, October 11th
10:00am to 5:00pm
Agribusiness Building
712 W Washington Ave



World Rabies Day

With World Rabies Day next week, it's important to remember the very serious danger posed by rabies. However, rabies is also 100% preventable, and the best way to prevent it is to avoid it entirely! Here are some tips to stay safe:

- **Leave strays and wild animals alone!** Unfamiliar animals have a greater risk of carrying rabies, so make sure you keep your distance and avoid all contact with them.
- If you spot a stray or wild animal in your neighborhood, then **contact your local animal control or the police.**
- **Supervise your pets and keep them up-to-date on their rabies vaccines.**
- If you think you or your pet has been exposed to rabies, then **visit a healthcare provider as soon as possible!** Based on the circumstances, they can determine if they need to administer a rabies vaccine.

Keep these tips in mind and make sure you use the best practices to stay safe from rabies!

Health Department News

Family Planning Advisory Council

The Health Department provides reproductive health services and preventative education through the Title X Family Planning Program. Members of the Advisory Council are program recipients, healthcare providers, Health Department staff, and community residents. If you want to join the Advisory Council, please contact Karen Sattler, RN-Director of Nursing, at **620-221-1430 Ext 5554.**

Fall Community Baby Shower

This fall, on November 4th, the Health Department will be partnering with USD 470 and William Newton Hospital to host a Community Baby Shower! Save the date and don't miss this fun and educational event! Be sure to follow us on social media for all the latest updates!

Community Baby Shower

Saturday, November 4th
9:00am to 12:00pm

Physicians Pavilion
1230 E 6th Ave, Winfield, KS 67156

