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The **deadline** for the next MPHA Enews is **Thursday, July 26th** the July 27th issue.

Please contact Michelle Caliandro with content or questions about this publication at mcaliandro@mainelung.org or 1-800-499-5864 x 103.

MPHA News ~ Call for Action

MPHA Call for Poster Session Abstracts

The Maine Public Health Association is now accepting abstracts for a poster session during the upcoming Annual Meeting to be held on October 23rd at the Augusta Civic Center. This year's theme is Emergency Preparedness and Public Health. MPHA welcomes programmatic and scientific abstracts relating to the meeting theme or general best practices in public health to reduce the burden of disease through prevention, partnerships, and/or policy initiatives in Maine.

Please note: the submission deadline is August 15, 2007, and all submissions should be sent electronically to Becky Whitemore – bwhitemore@une.edu.

To receive a submission form, contact: Diane M. Campbell, Project Manager, Maine Public Health Association, dianec@mcd.org or 207-622-7566, ext. 230

Learning Opportunities

Nothing posted this issue.

Information

Family Violence Project's Cell Phone Project

It seems as though cell phones are everywhere these days. It also seems as though new cell phones become available every day. So what happens when people upgrade or replace their cell phones? Often, the old phones end up stashed away in closets and drawers. Why not donate them to the Family Violence Project (FVP)?

Here at Family Violence Project, your old cell phone can be turned into an important safety tool for those experiencing domestic abuse. Many cell phones are now programmed to complete an emergency 911 call even if a carrier isn't selected or the service is inactive. In a domestic violence situation, an emergency 911 phone can be a lifeline. With the help of donations, Family Violence Project is able to provide cell phones for that purpose.

Your old cell phone can also be turned into cash and community service hours! When Family Violence Project has phones in excess of our emergency needs, the extra phones are used as a fundraiser through a partnership with Shelter Alliance. Extra phones are boxed and mailed to Shelter Alliance and a check is sent back. The phones can bring anywhere from fifty cents to thirty dollars each! Students needing community service hours can collect phones and mail them to Shelter Alliance on behalf of Family Violence Project to receive hours. We get a check in the mail, and the student gets a certificate from Shelter Alliance verifying the amount of community service hours earned. All money raised from this effort is used to assist victims of domestic violence in Kennebec and Somerset counties.

For more information about Family Violence Project's Cell Phone Program, how you or someone you know can get community service hours, or how to donate a phone, please contact Jaime at jaimeg@familyviolenceproject.org or 623-8637 ext. 302.

For more information on Shelter Alliance, please visit www.shelteralliance.net.

Healthy Air Efforts Continue

In our on-going efforts to regulate Outdoor Wood Boilers, the American Lung Association of Maine would like you to know that the Board of Environmental Protection is holding a public hearing on August 16, 2007 at 1:00 PM at the Civic Center in Augusta to hear testimony on proposed Chapter 150 Control of Emissions from Outdoor Wood Boilers. The Department will accept written comments until 5:00 PM on August 31, 2007. The American Lung Association of Maine will be presenting testimony.

In June 2007 the Legislature enacted LD 1824, An Act To Regulate Outdoor Wood Boilers. This legislation established particulate emission standards for new outdoor wood boilers and directed the Department to adopt a rule to regulate new and existing outdoor wood boilers. Chapter 150 establishes requirements for the sale and installation of new outdoor wood boilers, including particulate emission standards, setback and stack height requirements, certification and sell-through of existing inventory. There are also requirements that apply to new and existing outdoor wood boilers, such as, prohibited fuels, allowable fuels, visible emission standards and nuisance conditions.

A copy of the draft rule is available at the DEP [Website](#) or by contacting Ron Severance at 287-2437.

Maine League of Conservation Voters

Save the Date - October 11, 2007, University of Southern Maine, Glickman Library, Portland, 5th annual "Evening for the Environment"

Guest speaker: Bill McKibben, American conservationist and writer

For more info contact: info@mlcv.org

Psychological First Aid in a Crisis

"Psychological First Aid: Field Operations Guide, 2nd edition" [available](#).

Reviewers Needed for APHA

APHA is pleased to announce the Call for Nominations for APHA Capacity-Building Initiative Proposal Reviewers. Attached you will find the Proposal Reviewer Frequently Asked Questions and Nomination Form.

APHA requests your assistance in contacting Past Affiliate Leadership.

An affiliate may do so by:

- Forwarding this information to all of your Past Affiliate's Leadership, (i.e. ARGC, CoA, and Affiliate Board Members, etc.) who are not current Affiliate Leaders and/or
- Sending the name, mailing address, e-mail address, telephone number, and fax number for your Past Affiliate's Leadership to Kimberly Moore at kimberly.moore@apha.org or fax to (202) 777-2531.

Based on the letters of intent received, APHA expects to select at least 18 reviewers to complete the process. To date, we have received several nominations for reviewers; however, if there are not enough reviewers identified, APHA may need to seek other options to complete this process.

Self-nominations are encouraged, but APHA asks Affiliates that are submitting proposals to simply disseminate the specified information, and refrain from nominating individuals. Thank you in advance for forwarding the information quickly, as the deadline for receipt of nominations is August 1, 2007 at 5PM EDT. For more information [click here](#).

Again thank you for your cooperation.

State Estimates of Depression

State Estimates of Depression: 2004 and 2005 - data from both youth and adults - available on SAMHSA's [website](#).

Career Opportunities

Full-Time Male Outreach Educator

The Family Planning Association of Maine is seeking a full-time Male Outreach Educator to promote healthy sexuality among teen and young adult males and to increase the community's understanding of the importance of male involvement in family planning. Duties include providing counseling, STD testing, outreach, information and educational programs to young men. Other duties include developing marketing materials to advertise male services at family planning clinic sites, providing support to family planning clinic staff, training staff statewide around male health issues and building a community network for referrals and information around male health and teen pregnancy prevention.

Preferred candidate will have knowledge and understanding of adolescent health and male teen and young adult issues; experience working collaboratively with youth serving and other community based organizations; good interpersonal skills for providing counseling and STD testing to male clients; confidence in providing educational programs and presentations to groups; and creative problem solving skills. Candidate must be able to work independently as well as part of a team.

This position comes with a full benefit package that includes medical and dental insurance, short-term and long-term disability and life insurance, vacation, sick and holiday. Salary Range (14.29 – 17.00)

Please send a resume and cover letter to Lynette Johnson, ljohnson@fpam.org, by August 15. EOE

Supporting Our Membership

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