MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF
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Enhancing Communication

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Communication from DHSS

Frequency Volume Timeliness Clarity Transparency

Communication Resources

For Enhancing Communication

- Set frequency
- Reduced volume
- Advanced notice
- Opt in
- Transparency

Weekly Bulletin & GovDelivery

- Single portal
- Intuitive
- User friendly
- Calendar
- Resources

LPHA Info Hub

- Social content
- Ease of use
- Time saving
- Current
- Customizable

Resource Library

- Skill building
- Efficiency
- Templates
- Quality improvement

Lunch & Learn and Training

mo-lpha.com

Not accessible through search engines

NEWS

National News

► **7/21/2026:** CDC reports receiving reports of more than 4,000 laboratory-confirmed cases of cyclosporiasis in 41 states since May 1, 2026 and is aware of more than 7,4000 other cases not yet lab-confirmed. Not all cases are linked. (link)

► **7/21/2026:** US measles case count now higher than last year's total at 2,295. This is the highest number of cases in 35 years. (link)

► **7/20/2026:** Taylor Fresh Farms voluntarily recalls all iceberg lettuce sourced from central Mexico, despite the FDA reporting a false positive test result that linked the lettuce to the multi-state Cyclospora outbreak. (link)

► **7/20/2026:** A rule change to F, J and I non-immigrant visas will be effective September 15 and may require some medical trainees to get government approval to stay in the U.S. long enough to finish their programs. (link)

Missouri in the News

► **7/21/2026:** A lawsuit filed by former residents alleges abuse and assault while housed at Heartland Behavioral Helath Services in Nevada, Missouri. KCUR (link)

►**7/20/2026:** DHSS reports 216 cases of cyclosporiasis in Missouri as of this week. KY3 (link)

► **7/20/2026:** Missouri DSS awards more than $732,000 through the Rural Health Transformation Program to increase the number of Doulas and perinatal community health workers in Missouri. KBSI23 (link)

Quick Links

Director Willson's Messages

LPHA Update Calls - Archives

LPHA Directory

WORKplace WELLbeing

Mandated Reporting of Abuse or Neglect

DHSS News Releases

Weekly Communication Bulletins

GovDelivery subscription page

ASAP (add users or change access for existing users)

► Alpha-Gal Syndrome, DHSS

► Cannabis: Unregulated psychoactive cannabis product enforcement (FAQ) (Report a Retailer form)

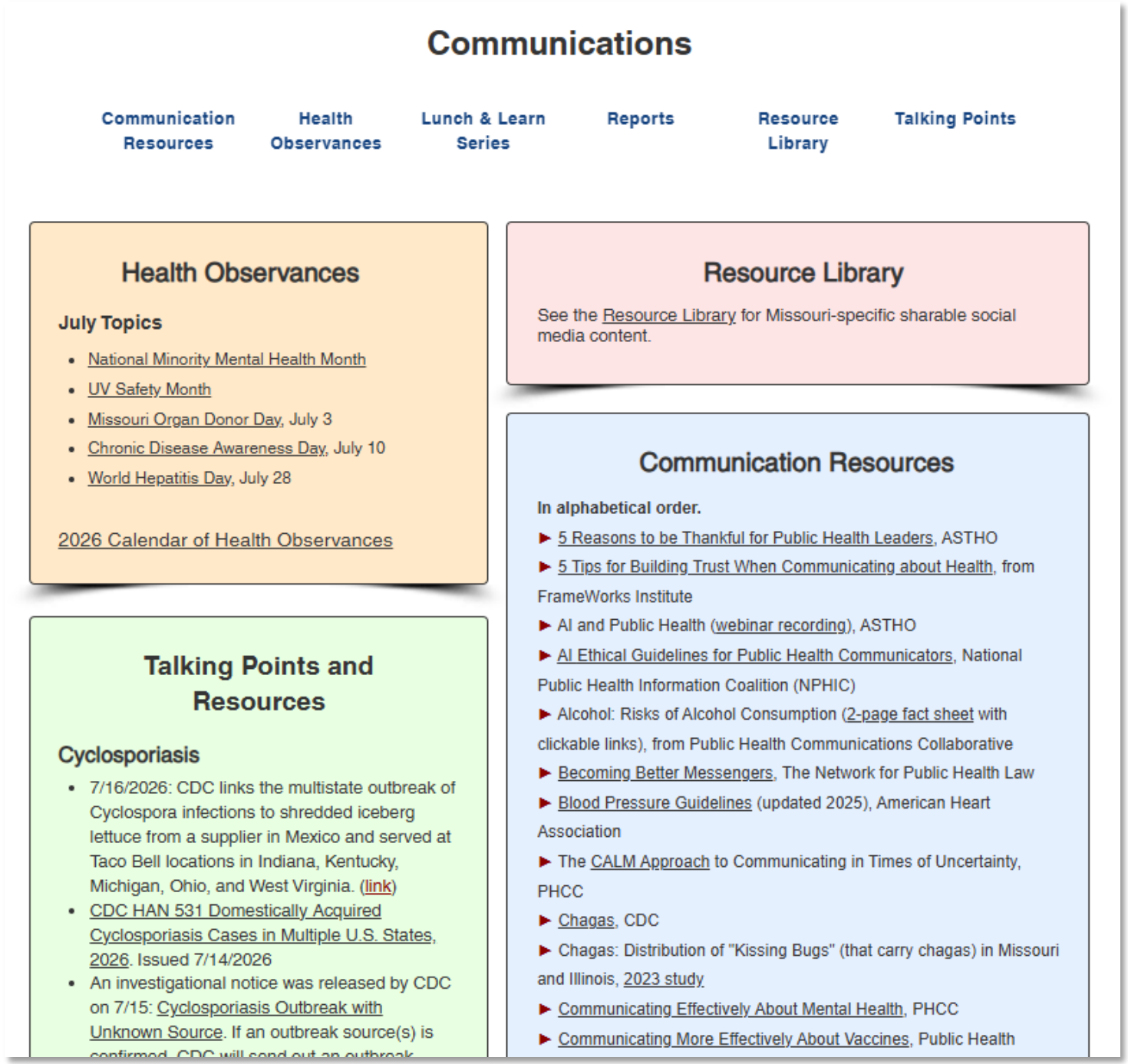
► Chemical Water Testing revised test request forms:

- Chemical Water Single Sample
- Chemical Water Single Sample Lead Risk Assessment
- Chemical Water Multiple Sample
- Chemical Water Multiple Sample Lead Risk Assessment

► Communicable Disease Data Dashboard, DHSS

► Cooling Centers Map, DHSS

► Hantavirus: Missouri health care providers should contact their LPHA or DHSS Bureau of Communicable Disease Control and Prevention at 573-751-6113 or 800-392-0272 (24/7) to report a patient suspected of having hantavirus pulmonary



Communications

Communication Resources | Health Observances | Lunch & Learn Series | Reports | Resource Library | Talking Points

Health Observances

July Topics

- National Minority Mental Health Month
- UV Safety Month
- Missouri Organ Donor Day, July 3
- Chronic Disease Awareness Day, July 10
- World Hepatitis Day, July 28

2026 Calendar of Health Observances

Resource Library

See the Resource Library for Missouri-specific sharable social media content.

Communication Resources

In alphabetical order.

- 5 Reasons to be Thankful for Public Health Leaders, ASTHO
- 5 Tips for Building Trust When Communicating about Health, from FrameWorks Institute
- AI and Public Health (webinar recording), ASTHO
- AI Ethical Guidelines for Public Health Communicators, National Public Health Information Coalition (NPHIC)
- Alcohol: Risks of Alcohol Consumption (2-page fact sheet with clickable links), from Public Health Communications Collaborative
- Becoming Better Messengers, The Network for Public Health Law
- Blood Pressure Guidelines (updated 2025), American Heart Association
- The CALM Approach to Communicating in Times of Uncertainty, PHCC
- Chagas, CDC
- Chagas: Distribution of "Kissing Bugs" (that carry chagas) in Missouri and Illinois, 2023 study
- Communicating Effectively About Mental Health, PHCC
- Communicating More Effectively About Vaccines, Public Health

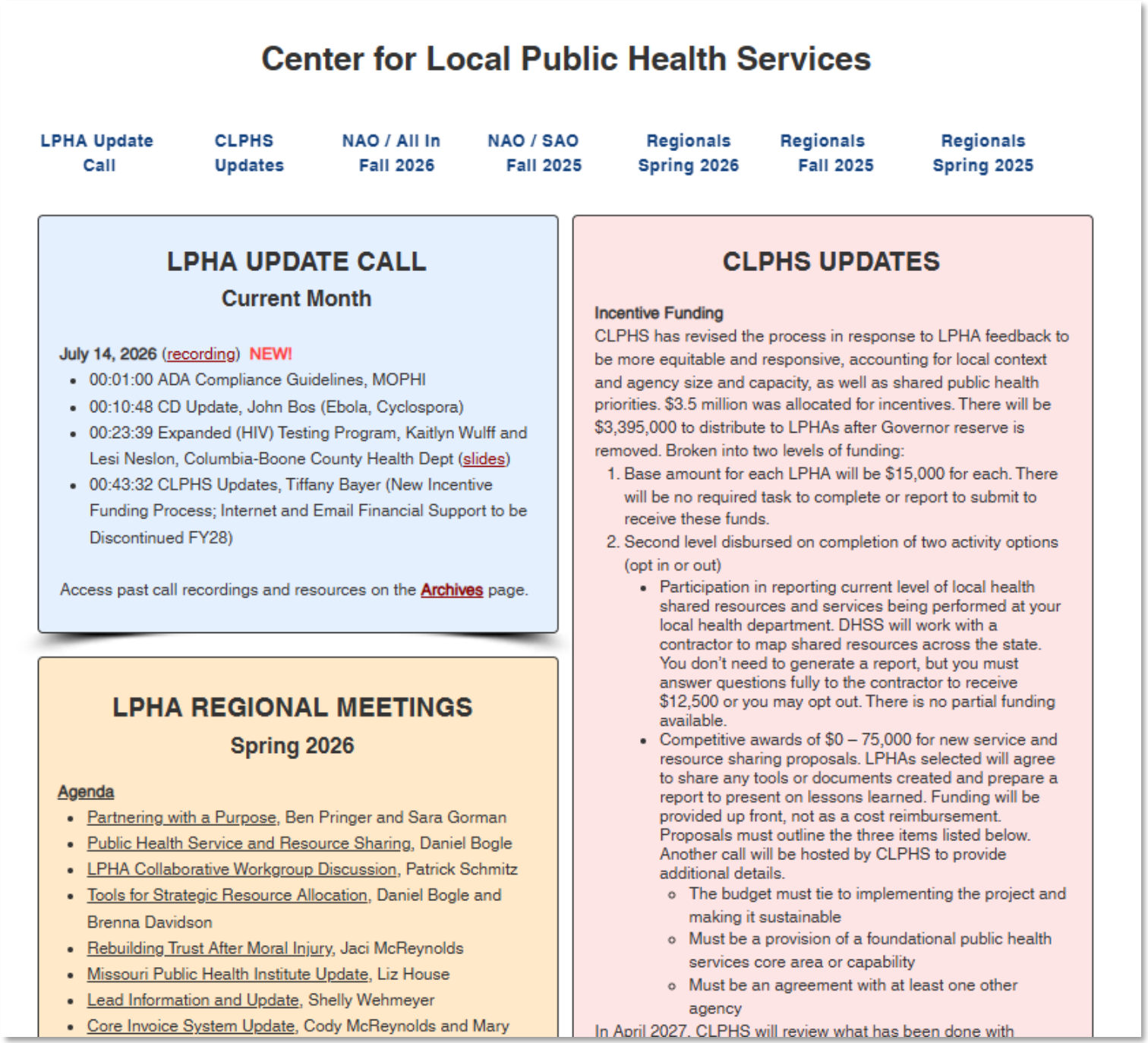
Talking Points and Resources

Cyclosporiasis

- 7/16/2026: CDC links the multistate outbreak of Cyclospora infections to shredded iceberg lettuce from a supplier in Mexico and served at Taco Bell locations in Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, and West Virginia. (link)
- CDC HAN 531 Domestically Acquired Cyclosporiasis Cases in Multiple U.S. States, 2026. Issued 7/14/2026
- An investigational notice was released by CDC on 7/15: Cyclosporiasis Outbreak with Unknown Source. If an outbreak source(s) is confirmed, CDC will send out an outbreak

What you'll find:

- Talking points for hot topics
- Template press releases
- Drop-in newspaper articles
- Public service announcement scripts (PSAs)
- Links to social media content
- Training
- Reports



Center for Local Public Health Services

LPHA Update Call | CLPHS Updates | NAO / All In Fall 2026 | NAO / SAO Fall 2025 | Regionals Spring 2026 | Regionals Fall 2025 | Regionals Spring 2025

LPHA UPDATE CALL

Current Month

July 14, 2026 (recording) NEW!

- 00:01:00 ADA Compliance Guidelines, MOPHI
- 00:10:48 CD Update, John Bos (Ebola, Cyclospora)
- 00:23:39 Expanded (HIV) Testing Program, Kaitlyn Wulff and Lesi Neslon, Columbia-Boone County Health Dept (slides)
- 00:43:32 CLPHS Updates, Tiffany Bayer (New Incentive Funding Process; Internet and Email Financial Support to be Discontinued FY28)

Access past call recordings and resources on the Archives page.

LPHA REGIONAL MEETINGS

Spring 2026

Agenda

- Partnering with a Purpose, Ben Pringer and Sara Gorman
- Public Health Service and Resource Sharing, Daniel Bogle
- LPHA Collaborative Workgroup Discussion, Patrick Schmitz
- Tools for Strategic Resource Allocation, Daniel Bogle and Brenna Davidson
- Rebuilding Trust After Moral Injury, Jaci McReynolds
- Missouri Public Health Institute Update, Liz House
- Lead Information and Update, Shelly Wehmeyer
- Core Invoice System Update, Cody McReynolds and Mary

CLPHS UPDATES

Incentive Funding

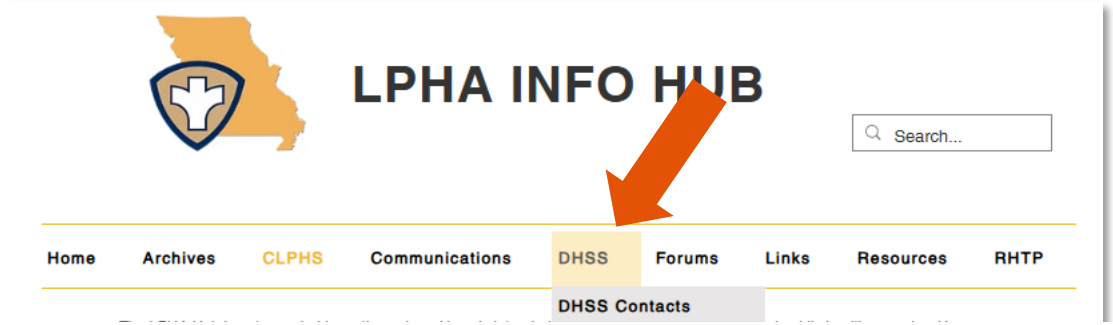
CLPHS has revised the process in response to LPHA feedback to be more equitable and responsive, accounting for local context and agency size and capacity, as well as shared public health priorities. $3.5 million was allocated for incentives. There will be $3,395,000 to distribute to LPHAs after Governor reserve is removed. Broken into two levels of funding:

1. Base amount for each LPHA will be $15,000 for each. There will be no required task to complete or report to submit to receive these funds.
2. Second level disbursed on completion of two activity options (opt in or out)
   - Participation in reporting current level of local health shared resources and services being performed at your local health department. DHSS will work with a contractor to map shared resources across the state. You don't need to generate a report, but you must answer questions fully to the contractor to receive $12,500 or you may opt out. There is no partial funding available.
   - Competitive awards of $0 – 75,000 for new service and resource sharing proposals. LPHAs selected will agree to share any tools or documents created and prepare a report to present on lessons learned. Funding will be provided up front, not as a cost reimbursement. Proposals must outline the three items listed below. Another call will be hosted by CLPHS to provide additional details.
     - The budget must tie to implementing the project and making it sustainable
     - Must be a provision of a foundational public health services core area or capability
     - Must be an agreement with at least one other agency

In April 2027, CLPHS will review what has been done with

What you'll find:

- Most recent LPHA call with time code and slides
- Past recordings on Archives page
- Updates from CLPHS
- Agenda for upcoming meetings
- Slide decks and recordings from past meetings



Invoicing

- **CLPHS new invoicing templates**: (Hours Worked) (% Hours Worked)
  - Training video for using new CLPHS templates (recording)
  - The new invoicing templates are available to utilize in lieu of the DA-38, however they are not required to be used in place of the DA-38. Each LPHA can choose to utilize either the DA-38 or the new invoice templates, whichever best suits your needs.
  - The following DHSS programs will accept the new CLPHS invoice templates:
    - Adolescent and School Health Program: Making Proud Choices; Teen Connection Project; Teen Outreach Program **NEW!**
    - CLPHS - PHIG – Public Health Infrastructure Grant & ACCR – Accreditation Assistance
    - Perinatal Hepatitis B Case Management
    - PHEP – Public Health Emergency Preparedness
    - CRI – Community Readiness Incentive
    - HSH – HIV, STI and Hepatitis
    - ORHC – Office of Rural Health and Primary Care
    - SMHW - Show Me Health Women
    - IMMS – Immunizations (currently doesn't have any contracts out, but will accept if any come in the future)
    - ODH – Office of Dental Health
- DA-38 (Vendor Request for Payment form and instructions)
- DH-38 (Vendor Request for Payment)
- Sub-recipient Annual Financial Report
- Tracking Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) Payments
- Automated Clearing House (ACH)/EFT Application

CONTRACTS & FUNDING AGREEMENTS

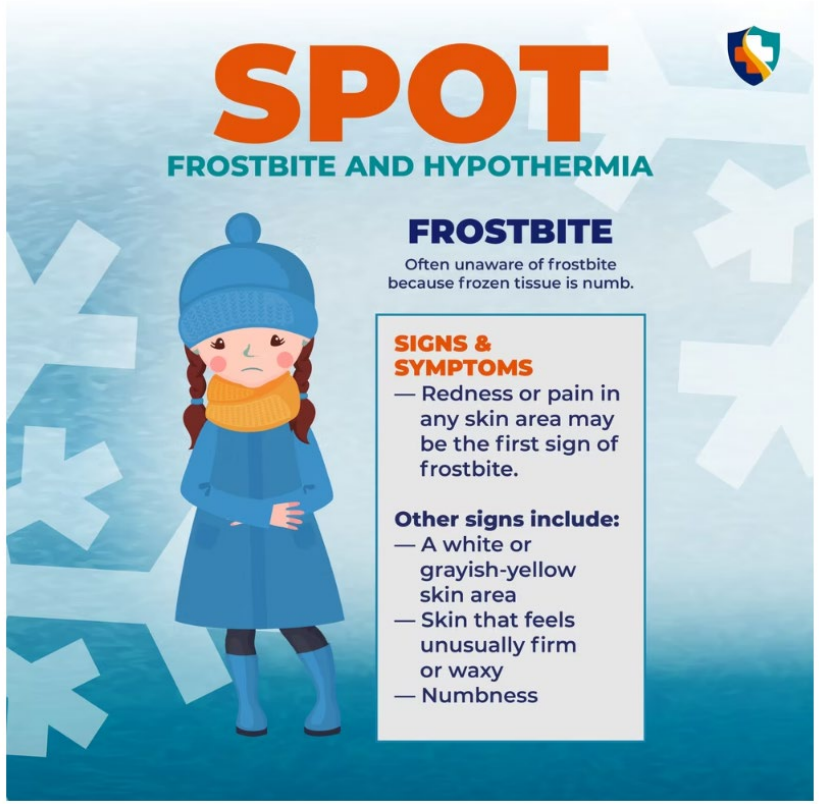
- Accreditation Assistance Contract **NEW!**
  - Nicole Cooper 573-526-6960
  - Accreditation Contract Deliverables BP3
  - Accreditation Contract Deliverables BP4
- Accreditation Readiness
  - PHIG Accreditation Support Options
  - LPHA Accreditation Support FAQ
  - Missouri Institute for Community Health (MICH) - Missouri Accreditation
  - Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB) - National Accreditation
    - PHAB Accreditation
    - PHAB Readiness Assessment
    - PHAB Pathways Program
    - PHAB Education Services
  - MOCPHE Accreditation Resource Library
  - MOCPHE Accreditation Support Team
  - Value and Impact of Public Health Accreditation, 2023, PHAB (report) (infographic)
- Bureau of Environmental Epidemiology (BEE)

(Lead exposure education contracts with 4 LPHAs that are EPA superfund sites)

  - Jamie Drury 573-751-6102
- Case Management

(10 LPHAs)

  - Sandra Hentges 573-522-2862
- Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)
  - Marcia Wilson, Child Care, Adult Day Care, Emergency Shelters 573-526-5656
  - Tanya Harvey, At-Risk Afterschool 573-751-0572
  - District Nutritionists
- CHIP HSI
  - Tiffany Bayer 573-751-6170
  - CHIP HSI Training for All LPHAs
  - FY2027 LPHA Invoicing Spreadsheet for State Investment in LPHS - CHIP and HSI **updated 7/9/2026**
  - Directions for the CHIP Expenditure Tool for Immunizations
  - CHIP HSI Expenditure Tool for Immunizations



All Winter: Frostbite & Hypothermia (2 of 5)

Hypothermia is defined as a drop in body temperature to less than 94.1° that results from exposure to cold weather or environments. How can you avoid and spot frostbite and hypothermia?

This content was adapted from the CDC. Learn more here: https://www.cdc.gov/winter-weather/prevention/
#Hypothermia #Frostbite

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an easier way to get what you need from your
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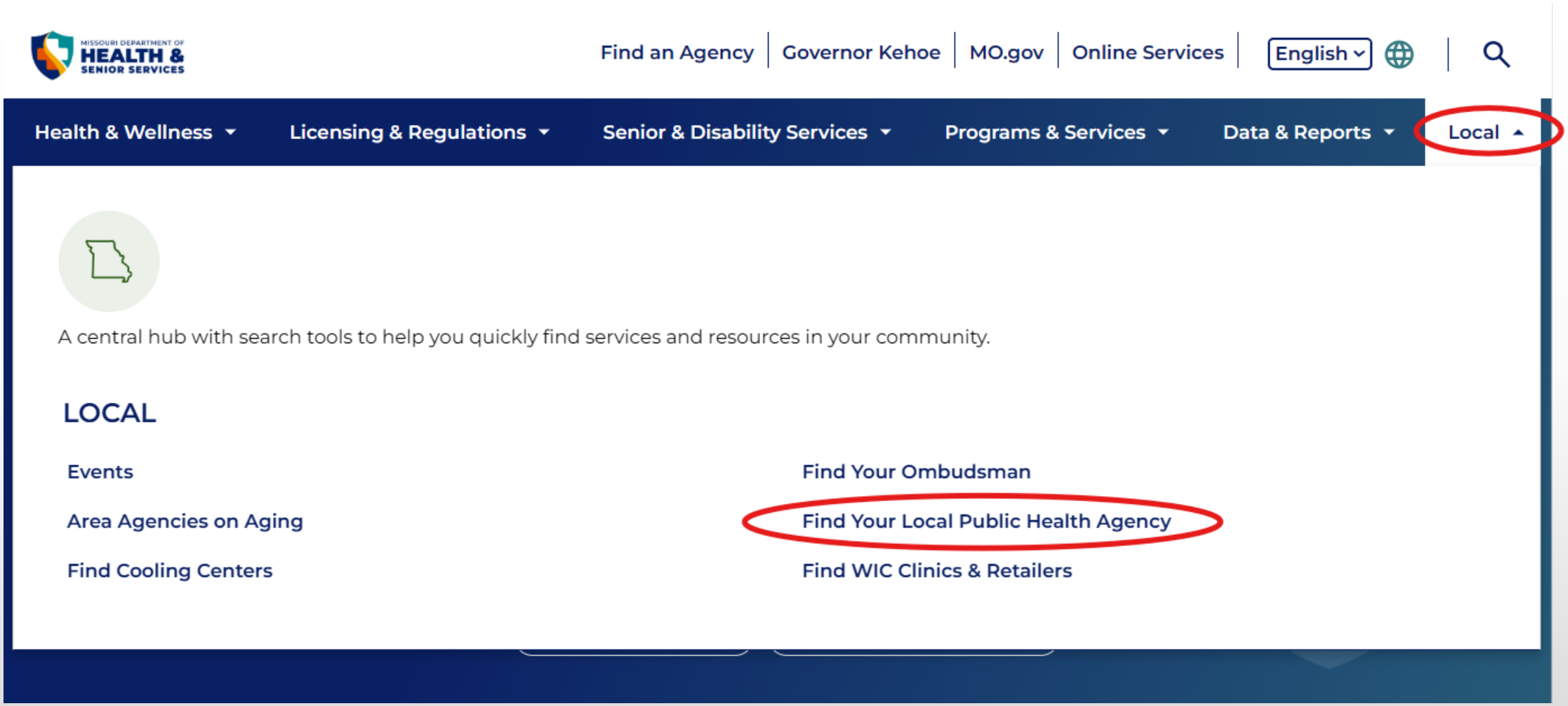
at the new Health.Mo.Gov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LOCAL
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Area Agencies on Aging
Find Cooling Centers
Find Your Ombudsman
Find Your Local Public Health Agency
Find WIC Clinics & Retailers

Welcome to the Local Public Health Agency (LPHA) Directory

Local public health agencies located throughout Missouri work to improve the health of thousands of Missourians every year. These agencies address a wide range of public health issues, from assessing the health risks of environmental problems to providing emergency services during natural disasters. Local public health agencies protect your community by controlling communicable diseases such as flu and tuberculosis while promoting healthy lifestyles to prevent chronic conditions, including heart disease, diabetes and stroke. Your local public health agency is even responsible for restaurant health inspections!

Public Health System at a Glance

The Missouri public health system is in action every day, in every county of the state.

Public Health System at a Glance Booklet

Select county

Submit

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Adair County Health Department

1001 South Jamison
Kirksville, MO 63501

Phone: (660) 665-8491
Fax: N/A
VISIT WEBSITE

Support services to promote health, well-being, and access to care for individuals, families, and communities.

FOOD & NUTRITION

- Food Programs
- Form Library
- Women, Infants & Children (WIC)

LIBRARY

- Archive Library
- Events
- Form Library
- Free Resources
- Manuals
- Sitewide Publications

EMERGENCY PLANNING

- Alerts, Advisories, Updates & Guidance
- Natural Disasters & Weather Emergencies
- Ready in 3 - Prepare for Emergencies
- Resources for Children
- Volunteer Opportunities

VITAL RECORDS & REGISTRIES

Organ, Eye & Tissue Donation and Registry

STATE PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY

- State Public Health Laboratory Overview
- Breath Alcohol
- Newborn Screening
- Specimen Delivery & Courier Information

Communications Advisory Council

Awesome Member	Health Department
Scott Clardy	Cooper County
Scott Allen	Webster County
Julie Livengood	Atchison County
Suzan Morang	Joplin
Abby Pendergrass	Stone County
Brianne Zweiner	Jefferson County
Sarah Valenza	Lincoln County

Media Relations Support

- Press releases
- Statements
- Talking points
- Media interview coordination
- And more!

Questions?

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