BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING May 10, 2011

DEPARTMENT: Environmental Health

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MONTH: April 2011

Highlights

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Date	Meeting	Purpose	Outcome					
April 6, 2011	Chemical Hazard Preparedness Training	Training sponsored by the State of Wisconsin, Bureau of Environmental and Occupational Health to learn the role of local health departments during a chemical release	Discussed state and local agency roles during a chemical release and the coordination of response and recovery. Also toured the Wisconsin DHS mobile laboratory which can do analysis for chemicals and radiation. Good training because it clarified the local health department's role and provided state resources.					
April 7, 2011	Public Information and Communication for Mass Antibiotic Dispensing	Workshop sponsored by the WI DPH and CDC to learn tools for disseminating information during a public health emergency	Learned best practices for developing messages, methods, and materials necessary for delivering information to the public on mass clinics during a public health emergency. Good and relevant training; information was incorporated into our local mass clinic plan.					
April 16, 2011	Medication Collection Day	Collect controlled / non-controlled medications and arrange appropriate disposal	Collectively the Racine County Health Departments received a grant from the Department of Agriculture Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) to provide two Medication Collection Days. The first was held in April with the second scheduled in October 2011 with one in Western and one in Eastern Racine County. The final report from the April event is being compiled with preliminary numbers showing the participation of over 500 cars and the collection of over 685 pounds of non-controlled medications.					
			This was a useful and productive event and well received by residents.					

April 19,	Well City Racine	Wellness Councils	The City of Racine received the Gold	
2011		of America	Achievement Award from the Wellness Councils	
		(WELCOA)	of America for the CORE (City of Racine	
		Recognition	Employee) Wellness Program. The Gold Award	
		Breakfast	honors organizations that have developed	
			comprehensive wellness programs that recognize	
			the program as an integral part of the	
			organization. Racine is working toward	
			becoming designated as a "Well City" which will	
			be achieved when at least 20 Racine employers	
			which represent at least 20% of the workforce	
			have received achievement awards. To date	
			Racine has 13 businesses.	
			Special thanks to Debbie Herz-Mazius and the	
			City Wellness Committee for their efforts.	

Activities	Monthly	YTD
Housing Inspections (initial and follow-up)	78	356
Lead Inspections (initial)	2	8
Lead Inspections (follow-up)	2	13
Nuisance Animal Investigations	52	201
Animal Bites	9	27
Restaurant Inspections (initial and follow-up)	103	443
Restaurant Pre-Inspections (new food establishments)	3	11
New permits released	2	9
Work Site Health Promotions: Screenings/Workshops	1/8	6/14
Dog Licenses Issued	275	3,271
Cat Licenses Issued	57	632
Pet Fancier's Permits Issued	5	84
Preliminary reports identify that one hundred and eleven (111) children were first tested for lead poisoning; two (2) had an elevated blood lead level (>9ug/dL), or 1.8 percent.		
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