

Oconto County Public Health Spring/Summer Update

Oconto County Public Health is working hard to keep you and your family safe and healthy while you're out and about enjoying the spring and summer weather!

Free Car Seat Check Event: On Saturday 5/20/17 from 9am-12pm at Peterson Ford 300 N Main St in Oconto Falls. Certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians will check your child's car seat and assist with correct installation. No appointment is needed; car seats will be available to purchase or at no charge to those who are eligible.

Get Rid of Your Medications Safely! Four medication drop boxes are located throughout Oconto County: Gillett Police Department; Nicolet Pharmacy, Lakewood; Oconto Falls Police Department; Oconto County Sheriff's Department (available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week). Get rid of over the counter and prescription medicines for pets and people from your household. Do not use the drop box for sharps/needles/syringes, illegal drugs, mercury, or items from businesses. When throwing away pills, pour pills from bottle directly into the drop box and throw away the pill bottle elsewhere.

Healthy Oconto County: The purpose of Healthy Oconto County is to mobilize people, organizations and stakeholders in our county to collaboratively address issues that impact health. A Community Health Assessment was completed in late 2015 and as a result of the assessment, two workgroups were formed to address physical activity/nutrition and alcohol and other drugs. To become involved in these workgroups and make a difference in the health of Oconto County residents, please call Public Health at 920-834-7000.

Safe Kids Oconto County Information: Safe Kids Oconto County works to prevent unintentional childhood injury, the number one cause of death for children in the United States. Safe Kids Oconto County is a member of Safe Kids Worldwide, a global network of organizations dedicated to preventing unintentional injury. Safe Kids Oconto County was founded in 2003 and is led by Oconto County Health & Human Services. Look for us at upcoming community events:

- May 6, 2017-Bike Rodeo with Lena Police Department and Lena Library
- May 10, 2017-International Bike to School Day with Gillett School District-see announcement in this newsletter for more information
- June 8, 2017- Shopko Hometown Oconto Helmet Giveaway and fitting station
- June 24, 2017-Safe Kids Day/ Health & Safety Fair at Oconto Falls Elementary School

For questions on any of these projects, or to learn more about Oconto County Public Health, please call us at 920-834-7000.