Kane County Health Department

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## PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE REPORT



### Essential Service No. 5 Develop public health policies and plans







#### Setting Health Priorities

The Kane County Health Department, in collaboration with the five county hospitals and the INC Board, conducted a Community Health Assessment or "CHA," to identify major health concerns within the community. The data collection consisted of just over 1,050 residents participating in a phone survey, as well as 158 key informants completing an online survey. On May 10<sup>th</sup>, the data was presented to the Kane County stakeholders, who then voted to prioritize the health needs based on scope and severity, and the ability to impact the issue. This process yielded the top three issues as: (1) mental health. (2) nutrition, physical activity, and weight, and (3) substance abuse. The priorities now will be incorporated into the Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP). For more information, click here.

#### Ten essential services of Public Health

- 1. Monitor health status and understand health issues facing the community
- 2. Protect people from health problems and health hazards
- 3. Give people the information they need to make healthy choices
- 4. Engage the community to identify and solve health problems
- 5. Develop public health policies and plans

- 6. Enforce public health laws and regulations
- 7. Help people receive health services
- 8. Maintain a competent public health workforce
- 9. Evaluate and improve programs and interventions
- 10. Contribute to and apply the evidence base of public health

### Departmental Statistics: <u>www.kanehealth.com/phc.htm</u>

## Essential Service No. 2 <u>Protect people from health problems and health hazards</u>



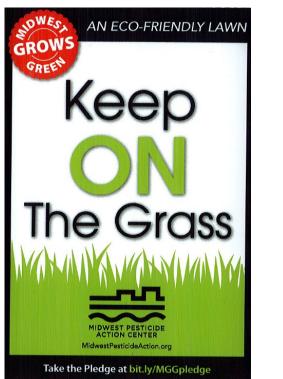
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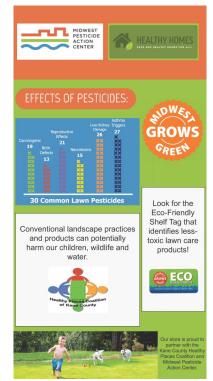
# Practicing heat safety wherever

#### you are

It's midway through June and we've already had a taste of hot, humid weather. Is this what we can expect for the rest of the summer of 2018? The Health Department and Office of Emergency Management monitor extreme conditions throughout the summer. You can find more information on the OEM website and the National Weather Service's website.

Essential Service No. 4 Engage the community to identify and solve health problems





## Keep ON The Grass

There are 27 retailers participating in the Healthy Lawns initiative throughout Illinois with the Midwest Pesticide Action Center (MPAC) - more than a third of them from the Kane County Healthy Places Coalition's efforts in collaboration with MPAC. A list of participating retailers that shows all 10 from Kane County is available by clicking here. More information about the Kane County Healthy Places Coalition is available by clicking here.