



A MATTER OF SUBSTANCE: At-a-Glance

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DIVISION QUICK FACTS

Contractor Electronic Reimbursement: Effective July 1, IDPH will begin using the SharePoint electronic document library system for management of most service contracts. Through SharePoint, providers will be able to electronically sign contract documents, submit required reports, and submit requests for reimbursement. IDPH conducted trainings on the new system in May and June and distributed a SharePoint User Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to all affected contractors on May 27. Training is also available at www.idph.state.ia.us/mphi/quality_improvement.asp. Assistance will be available after July 1 at Sharepointhelp@idph.state.ia.us or by calling 1-866-520-8987. Questions may also be directed to Cheryl Christie at cchristi@idph.state.ia.us.

IDPH Receives \$200,000 to Fight Domestic Abuse: IDPH has been chosen to participate in a groundbreaking two-year violence prevention initiative. *Project Connect: A Coordinated Public Health Initiative to Prevent Violence against Women* is designed to improve the health and safety of women and children. The Project is funded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Office on Women's Health and is designed to identify, respond to and prevent domestic and sexual violence, and promote an improved public health response to abuse.

The IDPH Domestic Abuse Death Review Team's most recent report states that Iowa averaged 15 deaths per year between 2005 and 2009 from domestic violence, compared to 12 deaths per year between 1995 and 2004. Nationally, 1,200 deaths and 2 million injuries are reported each year related to intimate partner violence. For more information, contact Binnie LeHew at blehew@idph.state.ia.us.

Request for Information: IDPH has released an RFI (Request for Information) for Public Health Information Delivery Services. The Department has long provided public health information statewide to a wide variety of stakeholders — both directly and through various contractors — using a broad range of delivery methods. Information delivery activities have included such things as helpline services, materials and resource services, and education and training activities. Through the RFI, the Department is hoping to gain information from interested and knowledgeable parties to better understand current "industry standards" for communicating health information and providing related services. The information IDPH receives may help us in considering development of one or more Request(s) for Proposals or Request(s) for Bids to secure a contractor or multiple contractors to assist the Department in delivering public health information in the future. The RFI is available at www.idph.state.ia.us/ldphGBP/ldphGBP.aspx. RFI responses are due July 9. For more information, contact Mark Vander Linden at mvanderl@idph.state.ia.us.

Director's Corner: Hello. This month's message is for substance abuse prevention folks. Have you wondered where you fit in the Recovery-Oriented System of Care model? Do you have some ideas you'd like to discuss? Your opportunity is coming. Watch for information on prevention-specific meetings planned for later this summer. If you can't wait, feel free to contact me at KStone@idph.state.ia.us! Thanks, Kathy Stone

UPCOMING EVENTS

Substance Abuse Prevention Ethics July 1
Midwest Counterdrug Training Center in Johnston
For more information, go to
www.counterdrugtraining.com.

Co-Occurring Disorders Change Agent Training July 14
State Historical Building Auditorium, Des Moines
For more information, contact Brenda Hollingsworth at
brenda.hollingsworth@uiowa.edu.

Iowa Advocates for Mental Health Recovery 2010 Empowerment Conference August 10-12
Holiday Inn Conference Center, 6111 Fleur, Des Moines
For more information, contact Deb Williams at
debwilliams48@yahoo.com.

11th Iowa HIV, STD, and Hepatitis Conference
September 22-23
Holiday Inn Conference Center, 6111 Fleur, Des Moines
For more information, contact Pat Young at
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For more information about the Division of Behavioral Health, visit www.idph.state.ia.us/bh

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