

Nebraska Health News Week of February 24, 2003

A compilation of public health resources and information provided by the
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1. **PUBLIC HEALTH RESOURCES and MORE !!!**
 - < Orientation to Public Health
 - < Applications for Nebraska Improv now being accepted
 - < ASTHO / NACCHO Call for Proposals
 - < How Much Are Your Volunteers Worth?
 - < Community Coalition Toolkit Now Available Online
 - < Free Step-by-Step Guide to Create 'My Anti-Drug' Murals
 - < Advocacy Toolbox
 - < March is National Nutrition Month
2. **ENVIRONMENTAL NEWS**
 - < West Nile Virus Presentation
 - < Nebraska Health Issues: asthma, mold and moisture
3. **FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES**

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Orientation to Public Health

<http://www.nynj-phtc.org/orientation/>

With many staff in public health jurisdictions having little or no actual training in the discipline of public health, this hour-long training is a great way to learn just what it is. The course was developed by the New York New Jersey Public Health Training Center and the School of Public Health University at Albany, NY.

Designed for support and technical staff in public health agencies and helpful for anyone new to public health practice, the course can be incorporated into routine orientation programs. Librarians just getting started providing services to public health practitioners will find it an interesting exercise in online learning in the public health domain.

You, as a new employee, get to meet other staff and learn what they are doing and what their main roles and functions are. You will get to determine what public health is through a quiz, organize newspaper articles by broad subject and generally interact with the program to increase your public health knowledge.

The site requires registration (free) and that you assign yourself a password. The course should take about an hour but you can log out and back in again later if you do not have time to complete the whole learning module in one session.

Staff at the two institutions ought to be congratulated on making this learning opportunity open to all.