



New Hampshire Health Officers Association

Fall Workshop & Annual Meeting

Wednesday September 27, 2023: 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

NH DHHS Auditorium, 29 Hazen Drive, Concord, NH

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8:30 – 9:00 a.m. Registration and Continental Breakfast with Vendors

9:00 – 9:30 a.m. Welcome – NH Health Officer Association Update & Strategic Planning Process

Wayne Whitford, President, NH Health Officers Association

Ren Beaudoin, City of Nashua Environmental Health Department

9:30 – 10:15 a.m. Caring for the Health of New Hampshire Communities

This session will discuss how the work of health officers is the “boots on the ground” work that can inform regional and statewide planning and improvement efforts. Health officers can provide both anecdotal and documented information about how the health of their community is affected by environmental and human-driven health factors. You are the ears and eyes needed to understand how we can support the health of New Hampshire residents. This session will detail how the work of health officers is inextricably linked to the community health improvement plans and state health improvement plans. Alia Hayes will present a CHA-CHIP and SHA-SHIP 101 to explain how all of this work is intertwined and how we can all collaborate to improve the health of the people of New Hampshire.

Alia Hayes, MPH

10:15 – 10:45 a.m. Coffee and Visit Vendors

10:45 – 11:15 NH’s Agricultural “Right to Farm Law” & How it Relates to Public Health Nuisance

Shawn Jasper, Commissioner

11:15 – 11:30 Updates from NH’s Health Officer Liaison Program

Sophia Johnson, MPH

11:30 – 11:45 Second Annual Awards

11:45 – 1:00 p.m. Lunch and Visit Vendors

1:00 – 2:00 p.m. PPE, Hoarding and Squalor Hazards

The Biohazard Safety Training Workshop will provide board of health workers with a working knowledge of the necessary steps to safely and correctly navigate through scenes contaminated with suspected fentanyl, biohazards, and squalor conditions. Attendees will examine the various types of hazardous environments health department workers often face: the proper methods to assess their risk; how to navigate safely within a hazardous scene. All blood borne pathogens and biological/biohazardous threats will be touched upon

(i.e. HIV, Hepatitis, Tuberculosis, MRSA, feces, bed bugs, needle sticks, Fentanyl, hoarding/squalor, human waste, animals etc.)

Kerry Delano, Trauma Services

2:00 – 3:00 p.m. Changes within NH Dept of Environmental Services in Septic

Philip Trowbridge & Scott Hazelton, DES

3:00p.m. Adjourn ~ Thank You