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Monthly Theme: Sexual Health and Suicide Prevention Awareness Month

September 2024

TOP NEWS

Sexual Health Awareness Month

The 2024 World Sexual Health Day (WSHD) theme is Positive Relationships. On September 4 of each year, we celebrate to raise social awareness of sexual health worldwide. It has been celebrated in sixty countries, and activities range from conferences to art exhibitions. [Read More](#)



Suicide Prevention Awareness Month

Thoughts of suicide can affect anyone and is often a mental health condition that has gone untreated. During September, mental health advocates, prevention organizations, survivors, allies, and community members come together to promote suicide prevention awareness.

[Read More](#)

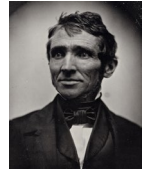


New National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 988

You can still use 1-800-273-8255 and many others are available [here](#).

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[Charles Goodyear](#)

MPOX



There have been increases in mpox internationally, and [the WHO Director has declared the Mpox outbreak a public health emergency](#). Please ensure you provide mpox prevention education in your jurisdictions and touch base with clients/patients regarding international travel.

Curry International Tuberculosis Center



Toward Equity: Tools for Collaborative TB Case Management and Contact Investigation

November 13, 2024 (Virtual)

This training is intended for nurses, case managers, and staff who conduct contact investigations.

[Register](#)

Achieving Treatment Completion for Drug-Susceptible TB

December 11, 2024

[More information](#)

Wyoming AIDS & Education Center Lunch and Learn Webinar



September 17, 2024 at 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM MT - [Register](#)

This webinar is a valuable opportunity for healthcare providers, trainees, and anyone interested in the latest developments in trauma-informed care.

- Recognize the relationship between trauma/lived experiences and health outcomes
- Understand how to navigate a patient/client encounter concerning previous trauma
- Adopt one new technique to incorporate the principles of trauma-informed care into your practice

Quick Fact: “Suicide rates increased approximately 36% between 2000–2022. Suicide was responsible for 49,476 deaths in 2022, which is about one death every 11 minutes. The number of people who think about or attempt suicide is even higher. In 2022, an estimated 13.2 million adults seriously thought about suicide, 3.8 million planned a suicide attempt, and 1.6 million attempted suicide.” [Read More](#)

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[Clark Flatt](#)

New KnoWyo Voucher Platform



Thank you to Jennifer Meineke from Sheridan County PH, Victoria Schlager from Albany County PH, and Doni Drake and Arlene Watterson with Sweetwater Co PH for testing the new KnoWyo Voucher platform, which launched on September 1!

Introduction to Using Social Media



- Describe the importance of a social media presence in today's digital world.
- Define social media terms and practices.
- Identify how social media can be used to advance public health goals.
- List factors in a good social media policy.
- State reasons organizations have social media policies.
- Explain the factors that go into choosing social media platforms.
- Apply best practices to social media posts.

[Sign Up](#)

Congratulations



Congratulations to Heidi Smith for 5 years of service and Victoria Schlager for 10 years of service with the state!



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CDU MONTHLY WEBINAR:

Tuesday, September 24, 2024 at 2:00-3:30 p.m.

The September CDU Monthly webinar will be held on Tuesday, September 24th. 2-330pm. For this webinar, we will welcome guest speakers from the Wyoming Public Health Lab. Sylvia Freeman, Serology/Immunology Supervisor, and Elizabeth White, Starlims Administrator, will provide an overview of CDU-related test collection and processing requirements.

[Presurvey link](#)

[Registration link](#)



CDU HEROES

- Albany County Public Health and Carbon County Public Health for their coordination with the TB Program.



Engagement Opportunities

Summer of Syphilis Series: Congenital Syphilis

September 12, 2024, at 12:00 PM MT

[Register](#)

International Workshop on Clinical Pharmacology of Tuberculosis Drugs 2024

October 1st and 2nd






[Register](#)

Upcoming Events

September
September 2
October 2
December 1

Sexual Health Awareness Month
Labor Day
DIS Day
World AIDS Day

SEPTEMBER 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 Labor Day WDH Closed	3	4	5	6 	7
8 Suicide Prevention Week (8 th – 14 th)	9	10 Suicide Prevention Day	11 HIV Case Management Call 1-2:00 PM	12 	13	14
15 	16	17	18 CDU Outreach Staff Call 10-11:30 AM National HIV/AIDS and Aging Awareness Day	19	20	21 
22	23	24 CDU Monthly Webinar 2-3:30 PM	25 National Women's Health and Fitness Day	26	27 National Gay Men's HIV/AIDS Awareness Day	28
29	30 					

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