PUBLIC HEALTH CONNECTION



National Safety Month

A Safety Minded Approach

June 1st marks the beginning of National Safety Month. The month is dedicated to promoting efforts around the nation to increase safety and to decrease overall risk of injury. Injuries are the leading cause of death for Americans ages 1 to 44; many of which are preventable with education and minor lifestyle changes. This year's National Safety Month topics are broken into four weeks: Week 1: Hazard Recognition; Week 2: Slips, Trips, and Falls; Week 3: Fatigue; and Week 4: Impairment. The first week of June will focus on determining what specific hazards increase your injury risk on a day-to-day basis. Some of these risk categories include household preventable poisonings, falls, and weather related events.

Tornado Season

May-June is also typically considered the peak of tornado season in the Midwest. With National Safety Month in mind, it is even more important to ensure that you know what to do in the event you get caught in or around a tornado. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administrations describes the signs of a tornado, prevention and practice before the storm, and information on what to



during and after a tornado. This information can be found by visiting https://www.spc.noaa.gov/faq/tornado/safety.html.



OUR MISSION:

The Scott County
Health Department
promotes, protects,
and preserves health
through leadership,
services, education,
and partnerships.

OUR VISION:

Scott County—
A safe and healthy community.



SPECIAL EVENTS

 Scott County Board of Health Meeting, Scott County Administrative Center, 1st Floor Boardroom, 12:00 PM, Thursday, June 20, 2019.

Links

National Safety Council: https://www.nsc.org/

Greater Than AIDS: https://www.greaterthan.org/

HIV Testing Day: https://www.hiv.gov/events/awareness-days/hiv-testing-day



HIV Testing Day

SCHD Partners with Greater than AIDS and Walgreens Pharmacy

Building on a partnership of 4 years, clinical services staff will offer free HIV testing at the Walgreens Pharmacy at 1805 Brady St, Davenport on Thursday, June 26th from 10am to 7pm. Greater Than AIDS (www.greaterthan.org) facilitates partnerships between local health departments and community based organizations to provide this testing to the public in observance of National HIV Testing Day each year. Those participating in the event will receive education and risk-reduction counseling and referral information for additional sexually transmitted disease screening and Pre-Exposure-Prophylaxis (PrEP) medication for HIV prevention. The event aims to reduce the social stigma surrounding HIV testing, increase the number of people aware of their HIV status, and connect people living with HIV to treatment and support services.

We hope to see you June 26th at Walgreens on Locust and Brady. Together we are Greater Than AIDS!



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