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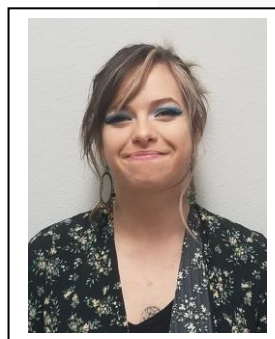
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Autumn shows us how beautiful it is to *let things go!*

With the holidays drawing near, many of us start thinking about upcoming plans with family and friends, as well as everything that has to be done at work to close out the year. It's easy to become distracted as the end of the year approaches. But it's important to not let this busy time of year get us off track and put us into a holiday slump. Take some time to de-stress and enjoy your family; both at home and at work!



We want to welcome two new members to our team: Sydney Parsons and Kayla Murphy! Sydney is working as our receptionist for public health and Kayla is working as a Homemaker for In-Home Services. Welcome Ladies!

Wheat Festival Time

We had a wonderful time participating in the annual Wheat Festival this year. We had a team in the Cow Chipping contest, we had our Mother's Room available during the carnival (and it was used) and we had a float in the parade. But the best thing was we got 1st place for our float - nonprofit category!

Great Job Team!



Cow Chip Throwing!



Mother's Room open during carnival!



Getting setup for the parade!



1st Place Parade Entry for Nonprofit

Prevention Is The Key

In July, we were invited back to the Caldwell Youth Health Fair where our focus was on the HPV vaccination.

Did you know that the Human Papillomavirus (HPV) is a common family of viruses that cause approximately 34,800 new cancer cases each year in the U.S.? But HPV vaccination has been proven to prevent 90% of these cancers! The vaccination is most effective when given on time between the ages of 9 and 12. So, that is why we educate parents, caregivers and even children on the importance of getting the HPV!



During Suicide Prevention Awareness Month we 'chalked our walk' to show support, help raise awareness and help reduce the stigma of mental illness.

Community Listening Session



Cowley County Community College-Summer Campus.

Chatting With The Chamber



We were able to visit with the Wellington Chamber and talk about all the services the health department and home health agency provide in Sumner County.

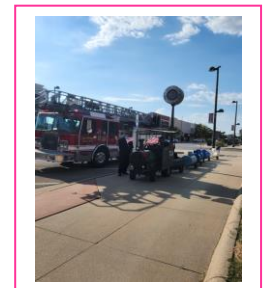
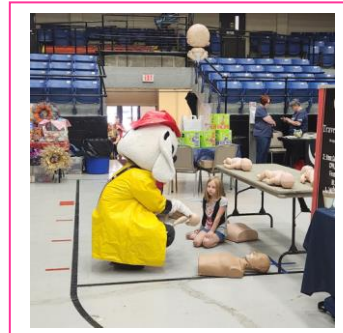
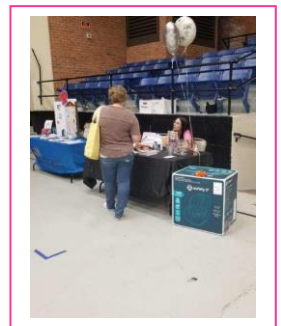
BACK TO SCHOOL VACCINE CLINIC!



Photo by Ursula Goff

Community Baby Shower

Our second annual Community Baby Shower was a huge success and we just want to say 'Thank You' to everyone that came to visit us, to our vendors for providing great resources and to our staff for making this happen! We are already talking about next year!



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Community Health Assessment



The Sumner County Community Health Assessment is complete and ready to review! You can access the report by going to our Website @ <https://www.sumnercountyhealthdepartment.org/>



Business Preparedness Workshop

During National Preparedness Month, we hosted a Business Preparedness Workshop. Businesses throughout the county were invited. Speakers included National Weather Service, Sumner County Emergency Management, Wellington Fire Dept., Sumner County Sheriff Dept., and IT from Cowley College. During the afternoon portion of the workshop, the National Weather Service held a tabletop exercise that focused on an extreme heat event. The collaboration and sharing of ideas was very beneficial to the participants.



Progressive Ag Safety Day

This year at the Progressive Ag Safety Day in Caldwell, our staff talked about saying no to drugs, the dangers of Fentanyl and what Narcan is. The staff always come back with great information from the kids!

Community Health Fair

We had a great time this year at the Community Health Fair in Caldwell. Amy and Kelly visited about all the great things our Home Health Agency can do to help you in your home. Amy even took some blood pressures during the event!

