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Subject: Update in Health Department Services

Update in Health Department Services in Response to COVID-19

For the safety of our staff and the community, beginning March 23rd, 2020 the Kankakee County Health Department (KCHD) will be providing services BY APPOINTMENT ONLY. KCHD will be locking their doors during normal business hours, walk-in visitors and clients will not be able to be accommodated at this time due to concerns about the spreading of the coronavirus. WIC, Family Case Management, Immunizations, STD, TB, Environmental Health Services, and Naloxone Distribution will be by appointment only until further notice.

For appointments call 815-802-9400 and select the prompt for the service you are scheduling for.

The Kankakee County Health Department wants to emphasize we are not stopping essential services. We are finding alternative ways to provide services while limiting unnecessary contact between the public and our staff. This practice is consistent with surrounding counties. The safety of our staff and community are priority.

Kankakee County Health Department is NOT a COVID-19 Testing Site

You can direct questions and concerns to the Illinois Coronavirus (COVID-19) Hotline 1(800) 889-3931 or send an email to: DPH.SICK@ILLINOIS.GOV Anytime, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

For more information go to:

- http://www.dph.illinois.gov/topics-services/diseases-and-conditions/diseases-a-z-list/coronavirus
- https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/summary.html