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HPC Staff Highlights

HPC welcomes Karissa Moffett to our team! Karissa is the new Coordinator for the Safe Routes to School program. SRTS initiatives focus on the use of alternative modes of transportation's plans to meet present and future demand for sustainable streets and healthy cities.

You can read more about Karissa and our team on our website at: [HPC Staff](#)

SMILE!

The Health Planning Council of Northeast Florida is now a registered organization on AmazonSmile! To support our organization, please click on the link below.

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/59-2247189>

A MESSAGE FROM LEADERSHIP



It is an honor to lead the Health Planning Council of Northeast Florida and serve our seven-county region. The Health Planning Council of Northeast Florida is the region's source for population health information, analysis and planning.

Over the past four decades, our community partners have turned to us for help with community health and needs assessments, health improvement plans, strategic planning, and program monitoring. Health data analysis and planning are what we do. We are considered reliable experts in health knowledge, data and trends at a national, state and local level. Let us help you and your organization achieve your goals.

We hope you enjoy these brief updates on the activities of the Health Planning Council of Northeast Florida and the St. Johns River Rural Health Network. Learn more about the services we provide by visiting our website at www.hpcnef.org.

Susan Grich
President & CEO (Interim)
Health Planning Council of Northeast Florida, Inc.
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MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID

The Jacksonville Non-Profit Hospital Partnership is collaborating on an initiative to offer free mental health first aid training to 10,000 individuals across Northeast Florida. Adult Mental Health First Aid is an 8-hour training course designed to give members of the public key skills to help someone who is developing or experiencing a mental health crisis.

The Health Planning Council is honored to partner with the Jacksonville Non-Profit Hospital Partnership and the MHFA® instructors for such a worthy cause. For more information or questions regarding Mental Health First Aid, please go to info@MentalHealthFirstAid.org. To find a course or to contact an instructor in your area, please visit www.MentalHealthFirstAid.org.



SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL

The Health Planning Council of Northeast Florida is excited to continue the FDOT Safe Routes to School (SRTS) program in our 7-county region. Children are not born with the knowledge and skills needed to interact with traffic. Therefore, teaching them about the rules, navigation, and safety while walking and biking is essential. During the second week of August 2017, we provided a 5-hour pedestrian and bicycle safety education class in Duval County. Fifty-seven elementary school physical education teachers attended our regional training program. After training is complete, the Health Planning Council assists, supports, and mentors these teachers to implement learned lessons with their students. In addition, resources for teachers to use such as bicycles, trailers, helmets and other equipment are coordinated through the SRTS program.

COUNTY HEALTH PROFILES

The Health Planning Council of Northeast Florida publishes annual County Health Profiles for each county in our region, representing 2,115,886 people, or approximately 10.3% of Florida's total population, as of 2016. The profiles provide residents and community stakeholders with a snapshot of the health status of each county in comparison to the state of Florida.

- [Baker County Profile 2017 \(10.9.2017\)](#)
- [Clay County Profile 2017 \(10.9.17\)](#)
- [Duval County Profile 2017 \(10.9.17\)](#)
- [Flagler County Profile 2017 \(10.9.17\)](#)
- [Nassau County Profile 2017 \(10.9.2017\)](#)
- [St. Johns County Profile 2017 \(10.9.17\)](#)
- [Volusia County Profile 2017 \(10.9.2017\)](#)

For more information, please visit our website: [County Health Profiles](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

What: Clay County PACE EH Kick-Off Meeting

When: September 26, 2017 9:0 am – 12:00pm

Where: Orange Park Town Hall, 2042 Park Ave, Orange Park, FL 32073

The Florida Department of Health-Clay County, in partnership with the Health Planning Council of Northeast Florida, is *beginning an assessment process called PACE EH, or Protocol for Assessing Community Excellence in Environmental Health*. PACE EH will engage the community to evaluate local environmental health conditions, identifying risks, and setting local priorities for action.

What: Healthy Baker Meeting

When: October 9, 2017 11:45am to 12:45pm

Where: Baker County Health Department, 480 W Lowder St, Macclenny, FL 32063

At the September Healthy Baker meeting, the Florida Department of Health-Baker County and Healthy Baker will introduce the 2017 Baker County Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP), developed with guidance from the Health Planning Council of Northeast Florida. The CHIP is part of ongoing efforts to improve health in Baker County and focuses on the following priority health issues:

- ❖ **Healthy Lifestyle & Behaviors** including obesity and related chronic diseases (e.g., diabetes and cancer), HPV vaccination, and tobacco and other substance use
- ❖ **Maternal & Child Health** including infant mortality and teen pregnancy
- ❖ **Public Safety** including unintentional injury, car seat usage, and water safety awareness

St. Johns River Rural Health Network

Quote

Good health is not something we can buy. However, it can be an extremely valuable savings account.



Anne Wilson Schaefer,
author of
*When America
Becomes an Addict*

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HRSA recognizes 10 states with top performing rural critical access hospitals

July 19 - The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) is recognizing ten states for outstanding quality performance of their Critical Access Hospitals (CAHs) in achieving the highest reporting rates and levels of improvement over the past year.

The 10 top-performing states – Wisconsin, Maine, Utah, Minnesota, Illinois and Pennsylvania (tied), Michigan, Nebraska, Indiana and Massachusetts – built on their previous successes by investing Federal Office of Rural Health Policy (FORHP) funds into quality improvement projects and developing technical assistance resources that improve high-quality care in their communities. States also work collaboratively with every CAH and their respective partners to share best practices and utilize data to drive quality improvement in their hospitals.

HIV/AIDS Bureau releases new co-infection curriculum



**HIV/HCV Co-infection:
An AETC National Curriculum**

Introducing the [HIV/HCV Co-infection: An AETC National Curriculum](#).

HAB's Office of HIV/AIDS Training and Capacity Development just launched a new tool in the arsenal to cure hepatitis C (HCV) and reduce the incidence of HIV/HCV co-infection: the HIV/HCV Co-infection Curriculum.

The curriculum includes a suite of online materials for healthcare providers and trainers of healthcare providers to increase their knowledge of HIV/HCV co-infection among people of color in the United States including prevention, screening, diagnosis and treatment recommendations.

Curriculum Highlights:

- A toolkit of HIV/HCV co-infection resources
- A suite of materials developed for novice to expert clinicians, faculty, trainers, and students
- Resources covering six core competencies

This curriculum was developed as a component of the Secretary's Minority AIDS Initiative Fund Jurisdictional Approach to Curing Hepatitis C among HIV/HCV Co-infected People of Color.



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Rural Health News

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Baker

Participate in Healthy Baker.
Meets 2nd Monday of the
month at 11:30am at
DOH-Baker.

Clay

The Clay SafetyNet Alliance
meets the third Thursday of
each month at the
Middleburg Salvation Army
at 8:30am.

Flagler

Join Flagler Cares. The next
meeting is August 14th at
3:00pm located at Florida
Hospital Flagler.

Nassau

Farmers Market Nutrition
Program connects WIC
participants with no-cost
fresh, locally grown
Florida produce.

Putnam

Melrose Community
Farmers Market
Fridays 4pm - 7pm
301 SR 26
Melrose, FL 32666

St. Johns

The St. Johns County
Behavioral Health Consortia
meets the 4th Wednesday of
the month at 12:00pm at the
Health and Human Services
Building – Muscovy Room.

Volusia

Halifax Health has
Safe Kids Programs
Call 877-842-5432
for more information.

Don't Miss the Annual Meeting!

**November 9, 2017
3:30pm – 5:00pm**

**Educational Series Topic:
Cybersecurity**



Presented by Edward Brennan

