

COMMUNITY TALKING POINTS

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PREVENT DISEASE AND INJURY. PROMOTE HEALTH AND WELLNESS. PROTECT YOU AND YOUR COMMUNITY.

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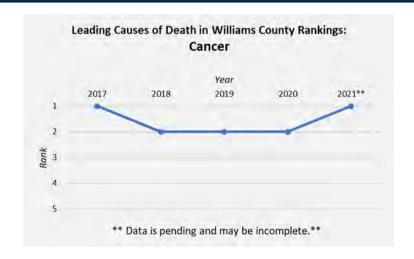
Free Preventative Services & Cancer Prevention

(Source: CHWC, Ohio Department of Health)

Did you know that most U.S. health insurance plans are required by law to provide 100% coverage for many common preventative services? This means you will not be charged copay or coinsurance, even if you haven't met annual deductible. Visit vour for comprehensive list of healthcare.gov а preventative health services that are covered 100% by most health plans. Check with your insurance provider to learn more.

In Williams County, cancer is ranked in the top 2 leading causes of death for each of the past 5 years. Cancer screenings are very important to detect cancer early and reduce the risk of dying from that cancer. When it comes to cancer prevention, many services are fully covered such as:

- Colorectal cancer screenings for men and women ages 45-75.
- Breast cancer mammogram screenings for women 50+ who are at average risk, every 2 years or for women ages 40-49 who are at higher risk, as recommended.
- Cervical cancer screenings for women ages 21-29, pap test every 3 years; women ages 30-65, based on healthcare provider recommendations (pap test every 3 years, HPV test every 5 years, both pap and HPV test every 5 years).
- Lung cancer screenings for adults ages 50-80 who are at high risk for lung cancer.
- Visit <u>healthcare.gov</u> to learn more about free cancer screenings.



ECHO Orientation Breakfast

ECHO (Educating Communities on Healthy Opportunities) Coalition is hosting an orientation breakfast. Come learn about the ECHO Coalition and how you can be involved in substance use prevention in Williams County. The event is located at the Bryan Eagles on Wednesday, May 18th from 7:30am to 9:00am. Everyone is welcome. RSVP by emailing Bethany Coutz at bethany.coutz@williamscountyhealth.org.

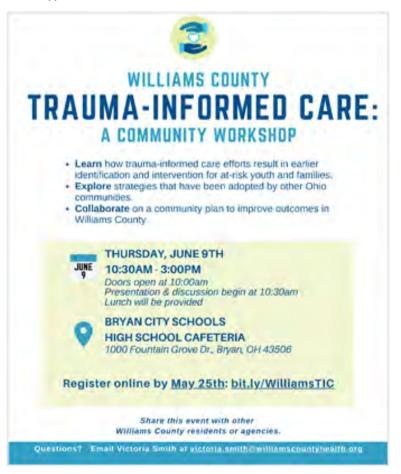


Trauma-Informed Care: A Community Workshop

A trauma-informed care workshop will take place on Thursday, June 9th. The event will take place at Bryan City Schools in the high school cafeteria from 10:30am to 3:00pm. Lunch will be provided. During the event, we will:

- Learn how trauma-informed care efforts result in earlier identification and intervention for at-risk youth and families.
- Explore strategies that have been adopted by other Ohio communities.
- Collaborate on a community plan to improve outcomes in Williams County.

This workshop is designed for those who have already received trauma-informed care training, as well as those who are new to the subject. This is the launch of an ongoing community collaboration to address trauma and adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) and their effects in Williams County. Registration for the event will close on May 25th: bit.ly/WilliamsTIC



School Immunization Clinics



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The Williams County Health Department will be hosting school immunization clinics this summer. If your child needs a vaccine, check out the flyer to find a convenient clinic near you. Call 419-485-3141 to pre-register your child and schedule an appointment. Vaccines available include Dtap, Polio, MMR, Varicella, Meningococcal, and Tdap. The following vaccines are required for school:

- Kindergarten: Dtap, Polio, MMR, Varicella
- 7th Grade: Meningococcal, Tdap
- 12th Grade: Meningococcal

If you have questions about the clinic, a vaccine, or need to know what your child needs, call 419-485-3141 and ask to speak to a public health nurse. Learn more about vaccines or the diseases they prevent here: <u>Vaccines for Your Children - CDC</u>



Mental Health **Awareness Month**

Mental health is an important part of your overall health. Take care of your mental health by practicing strategies to reduce stress:

- Move more. Regular exercise like going for a walk can boost your mood and improve your health.
- Eat healthy meals & snacks. Eat more fruits and vegetables and drink more water to improve your energy levels and mood.
- Set boundaries & take time to recharge. Set aside time for yourself. Try a relaxing activity or unwind by journaling, taking a nap, listening to music, going on a walk, or talking to a friend.
- Get enough sleep. Adults need 7-9 hours of sleep per night. Take steps to stick to a healthy sleep schedule to stay refreshed.
- Don't compare yourself to others. Notice situations when you compare yourself to others, like when using social media, and avoid your triggers. Social media does not reflect reality.
- Practice gratitude. Commit to writing down three things you are grateful for each day.

What does mental health mean to you? Take our survey: bit.ly/4YMHSurvey

If you or someone you know is thinking about suicide or selfharm, call the Local Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-468-HELP (4357), or text the Crisis Text Line (text 4HOPE to 741-741). Both services are free and available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. All calls are confidential.

COVID-19 Update

COVID.Gov recently launched as a one-stop site for COVID-19 treatment, testing, vaccination, information. Visit this site for free masks, testing, vaccines, and more! Find isolation or quarantine requirements for if you test positive or are exposed to a COVID-19 case on our website: bit.ly/3smsuYM.

Williams County (WC) Data:

(Monthly Average)

Weekly Cases: 14

COVID-19 Hospitalizations: 0 WC Rank: #38

Deaths Reported: 0

Fully Vaccinated: 43.66%

Current COVID-19 Community Level: Low (Learn more: bit.ly/3sta3SQ)

WC Cases Per Capita: 109.0 Ohio Cases Per Capita: 146

* new cases per 100,000 population over 2 weeks

Tick Safety

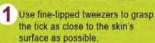
Tick exposure is more common during warmer months. This spring and summer, be tick smart by following these tips. Click the image to learn more.

Protect • Check • Remove • Watch Ohio, Gov/ Tick



- Wear repellent.
- Check for ticks daily.
- Shower soon after being outdoors.
- Call your doctor if you get a fever or rash following a tick bite.





- 2 Pull upward with steady, even pressure to remove the tick. Avoid twisting or jerking.
- 3 Clean the bite area and your hands with rubbing alcohol, iodine scrub or soap and water.



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