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ACHD Returns To Communities to Share Plan for a Healthier Allegheny
Informative Open House Events Also Offering Health Screenings

PITTSBURGH – The Allegheny County Health Department (ACHD) announced today that it will host a series of community open houses this summer to promote its Plan for a Healthier Allegheny (PHA), which is a roadmap for health improvement in Allegheny County. This five year plan focuses on five critical priority areas: Access to Healthcare, Chronic Disease Health Risk Behaviors, Environment, Maternal and Child Health, and Mental Health and Substance Abuse.

“The community meetings and the advisory coalition were critical elements in the development of the Plan for a Healthier Allegheny.” said Dr. Hacker. “This Plan is a living document that will help guide us toward our future goals. Success requires a collective approach that includes the continued commitment of our Advisory Coalition and broader countywide community participation. Our PHA community open houses are an opportunity to share the final product with the public and thank them for their contributions.”

The priorities were developed by the Health Department with the assistance of an advisory coalition with more than 70 organizational members. The final plan incorporated input from 14 community “*Our Health, Our Voice*” meetings attended by over 400 residents. The PHA is the product of more than a year of data collection, analysis and community outreach.

The four community open houses will each provide an overview of the PHA and key strategies it sets forth; an introduction to new ACHD data tools – such as the Allegheny Community Indicators dashboard; and, health screenings and information stations run by community organizations involved with the PHA’s development and implementation. The Open House schedule follows:

Monday, June 22, 2015
6:30 – 8:00 p.m.
Castle Shannon Library
3677 Myrtle Avenue
Castle Shannon, PA 15234

Tuesday, June 23, 2015
6:30 – 8:00 p.m.
Allegheny Intermediate Unit
475 East Waterfront Drive
Homestead, PA 15120

Tuesday, July 7, 2015
6:30 – 8:00 p.m.
Baierl Family YMCA
2565 Nicholson Road
Sewickley, PA 15143

Monday, July 27, 2015
6:30 – 8:00 p.m.
Thelma Lovette YMCA
2114 Centre Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Learn more about the PHA on the ACHD website <http://www.achd.net/pha/index.html>

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