

ON BOARD

September 10, 2024



News and Views from the New Jersey Local Boards of Health Association

Saturday, October 26, 2024
NJLBHA Board Meeting
10:00 AM EST

[Meeting
Details](#)

Current Articles and Requests for Participation

NOTE: The September excom meeting originally scheduled for 9/21/24 is now rescheduled to Saturday, October 26th at 10:00 am.

JOIN US

for the
2NDFLOOR
App Launch
Virtual Event

2NDFLOOR is offering youth another way to connect to emotional and mental health support:

A YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH APP*

Designed to support young people in NJ 24/7/365

Thursday, September 12 @ 4pm
Streaming LIVE on social media:

  @2ndflooryouthhelpline

*funded by the NJ Department of Children & Families Division of the Children's System of Care



Mandatory Reporting Considerations - Join us to discuss the evolution of reporting child abuse and neglect

On behalf of our New Jersey Department of Children and Families, and, Advocates for Children of New Jersey, please note this vital announcement and invitation.

On October 7, 2024 from 9:00 – 3:30 at the Westin, Forrestal Village in Princeton, the NJ Task Force on Child Abuse and Neglect will host professionals from New Jersey's health care, education and law enforcement communities, to hear from child welfare experts about mandatory reporting and ways we can empower and assist families to prevent child abuse and neglect.

For context, over 35% of all American children – and over 50% of America's Black children – will be reported to a CPS hotline before turning 18.* Overwhelmingly these reports are allegations of neglect, and are ultimately unfounded. Many jurisdictions across the United States – including New

Jersey – are beginning to examine the dynamics surrounding neglect investigations, taking steps to ensure that efforts to help families in poverty do not unnecessarily involve the child protection system, while also ensuring that children are kept safe from harm.

We value your experience and input! Please register at www.stockton.edu/ufcan by **September 30, 2024**. We look forward to having you join us for this important dialogue.

The New Jersey Task Force on Child Abuse and Neglect’s Subcommittee on Race, Poverty and Neglect: Focus Group Session

CALLING ALL MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS WORKING WITH CHILDREN IN NJ! The New Jersey Task Force on Child Abuse and Neglect’s Subcommittee on Race, Poverty and Neglect is seeking input from child-serving health professionals about their experiences with identifying and/or reporting child neglect.

We are looking for medical professionals who can participate in a 90 minute focus group. The sessions will be facilitated by an independent research group. Results will be summarized by the research team and reported in aggregate form. Any responses, including any quotes, will not be linked to a participant.

Please click [here](#) to register for this important opportunity to share your perspectives and experiences in one of six scheduled sessions.

Background: Through this exercise, the Subcommittee seeks to better understand how children are assessed for neglect and the pathways through which families suspected of child neglect are encountering the child welfare system. The Subcommittee’s members include representatives from health care, academia, child advocacy, and local human services, as well as representatives from the NJ Departments of Human Services, Education, and Children and Families, and parents with lived experience in the child protection system. The Subcommittee will use input from you and other child-serving professionals to inform recommendations to the NJ Task Force on Child Abuse and Neglect. Individuals who sign up for a focus group will be offered a copy of the related report once it is released.

Please join us in this effort to better understand families’ engagement with the child protection system!

**2024
Environmental
Congress**
*Friday, September 27th
9am-4pm*
Rowan University
Burlington Campus, Votta
Hall/Pavilion
Mt. Laurel NJ



**[Visit the ANJEC 2024 Environmental
Congress website.](#)**

Register Now!

(Early Discount Pricing Ends TODAY)

[Click here for full workshop descriptions, schedule including Continuing Education Credits Available.](#)

****Updated list now includes municipal government CEUs, and more****

ANJEC's 51st annual Environmental Congress will be an in-person educational conference with a selection of workshops and inspirational speakers.

Workshop topics will include a variety of environmental conservation topics to include: Mastering Municipal Ordinances, MS4 & Stormwater, Waste Reduction, Water Quality Protection, Renewable Energy, Invasive Species Control, Reviewing Zoning, Environmental Policy Updates, Citizen Science Spotlight, Urban Greenways, and more.

Hear from Keynote speaker **NJ State Climatologist David Robinson** how New Jersey is positioning itself to weather climate change.

See presentations of ANJEC's 2024 Environmental Achievement Awards and 2024 Municipal Officials Awards!



Join us for the presentation of featured speaker **NJDEP Commissioner Shawn LaTourette** regarding upcoming NJDEP Initiatives and programs to mitigate climate change.

PH Infrastructure Saves Lives

Senator Patty Murray (D-WA) reintroduced the **Public Health Infrastructure Saves Lives Act**. Organizations can endorse the bill using **this form**. The bill would address chronic underfunding of state, local, tribal and territorial (SLTT) public health infrastructure through a dedicated investment in foundational public health capabilities and workforce. For more information and to view the list of endorsers so far, here is a **fact sheet**. Signatories will be added on a rolling basis.

The Public Health Infrastructure Saves Lives Act Background

The Public Health Infrastructure Saves Lives Act would establish a Core Public Health Infrastructure Program at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), awarding grants to state, local, tribal and territorial health departments to ensure they have the tools, workforce, and systems in place to address existing and emerging health threats and reduce health disparities.

Foundational Capabilities of Public Health



Assessment – disease surveillance, epidemiology and laboratory capacity



All Hazards Preparedness and Response – the capacity to respond to public health threats



Policy Development & Support – the ability to serve as expert resource for public health policy



Communications – the ability to translate public health science to messaging for media, public, healthcare



Community Partnership – the ability to convene and build strategic partnerships across sectors



Leadership & Governance - the ability to lead internal and external stakeholders to consensus and action



Accountability – Performance management and quality improvement



Equity – the capacity to end and prevent disparities and promote optimal health in all communities

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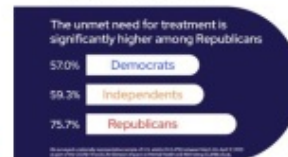
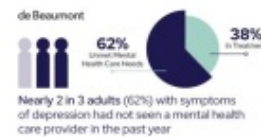


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New Data: Mental Health is a Bipartisan Issue

One in four U.S. adults screened positively for depression, according to a new analysis from the COVID-19 and Life Stressors Impact on Mental Health and Well-Being (CLIMB) study. There were no significant differences among party affiliations, though the unmet need for treatment was highest among Republicans.

These findings point to depression and mental health as an area of unity in a polarized country. [Read more about the findings](#), published today in the Journal of Public Health Management and Practice.



Protecting Workers and Communities from Extreme Heat

Extreme heat has come to Main Street and it's impacting Wall Street, writes de Beaumont president and CEO Brian C. Castrucci in a new column on Forbes.com. [Read about four ways to protect workers](#) from its most harmful health effects.

In addition to private sector actions, community-driven programs are also essential to mitigating the health effects of climate change. In a new blog post, de Beaumont summer intern Abbie Wade describes several examples of [national and local partnerships to strengthen climate resilience](#).



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New Jersey Cybersecurity & Communications Integration Cell

THE WEEKLY BULLETIN

August 8, 2024

TLP: CLEAR

Cyber Threat Highlights

Pension Plan Help Scams

Threat actors continue to target pension plans and use social engineering tactics to initiate contact and appear legitimate. They may contact their targets by email, phone, text message, social media, or online advertisements and falsely claim to offer a “free” review of their pension plan savings with the promise of better returns. They may also attempt to obtain personal information, compromise pension plan accounts, update direct deposit information, and transfer or release funds to attacker-controlled accounts.

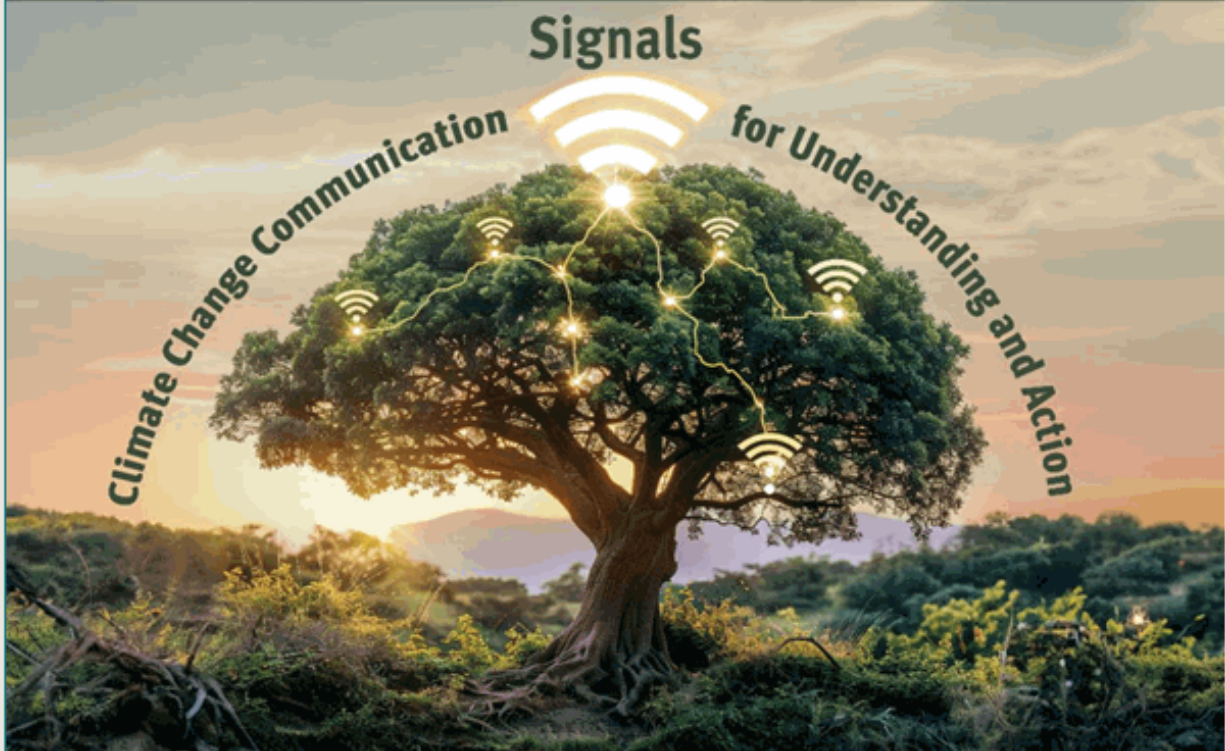
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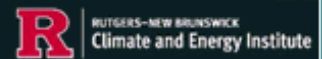
RUTGERS-NEW BRUNSWICK
Climate and Energy Institute



Save The Date: November 13, 2024
Douglass Student Center



Rutgers Climate Symposium 2024, featuring:



Katherine Blunt, *Author and Journalist*

William Hallman, *Distinguished Professor of Human Ecology, Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey*

Benjamin Santer, *Atmospheric Scientist, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute & UCLA*

Julia Watson, *Landscape Designer, Julia Watson LLC & Lo-TEK Institute*

Registration Includes 5.25 CME, MOC Part II Credits or 5.25 CNE
Contact Hours, Breakfast, Lunch, and valuable take-aways!

New Jersey Chapter

INCORPORATED IN NEW JERSEY

American Academy of Pediatrics
DEDICATED TO THE HEALTH OF ALL CHILDREN



33rd Annual School Health Conference

Wednesday, October 16, 2024

The School Health Conference is dedicated to keeping you abreast of the latest best practices in pediatrics. Whether you are looking to obtain continuing (CNE/CME) credits or dedicated to lifelong learning, this conference provides a large selection of educational opportunities. In addition to the education offered in our program, the NJAAP also showcases the latest pediatric resources and innovations in the exhibit hall.

Register Today!



Need more information? www.njaap.org/events/shc/

Some of Our Featured Presenters:



Margaret 'Meg' Fisher, MD, FAAP
Pediatric Infectious Disease Specialist



Shilpa Pai, MD, FAAP
Assistant Dean for Student Affairs
Rutgers-RWJ Medical School



Diane Calello
Executive Medical Director at New Jersey
Poison Information and Education System



Bert Mandelbaum MD, FAAP
Princeton Nassau Pediatrics



David Nash, Esq.
LEGAL ONE Director
Director of Legal Education and National Outreach



Wayne Yankus, MD, FAAP
Medical Advisor
Ridgewood & Leonia Board of Education

SPEAKERS INCLUDE

Diane P. Calello, MD | Kristina Donovan, PhD | Margaret 'Meg' Fisher, MD, FAAP
Nadeen Herring | Jinsy A. Jacob, MD, MBA, MS | Steven Kairys, MD, MPH, FAAP
Christina Liparini, PhD, MA | Bert Mandelbaum, MD, FAAP | David Nash, Esq.
Shilpa Pai, MD, FAAP | Antonio Thomas, MD, FAAP | Wayne Yankus, MD, FAAP

TOPICS INCLUDE

Recognizing and Responding to the Grief Needs of Children
Chronic Absenteeism: How to Address School Avoidance
Protecting Kids from Substance Misuse
What's New In Public Health
How about School Health and the Law: Current and Emerging Issues?
Building a Safe and Supportive Environment For LGBTQ+ Youth
Back to Basics – Triaging the Playground
Avoiding the Parent Trap: Working with Difficult Parents
Suicide: A Topic Worth Talking About
What's New in Immigrant Health: Cultural Competence

REGISTER TODAY!

Download Brochure

Visit the Event Page

NJAAP no longer accepts Purchase Orders for Event Registrations. Online Registrations require payment via Credit Card. After payment, you will be able to enter your internal PO number for a receipt for your school administration billing department. NO REFUNDS after August 16, 2024.

Learner Outcome

Read Virus Updates

To all board members and local health officials: Please reproduce this flyer and distribute as appropriate.

See [Full Flyer](#) June-Sept

OUR GOALS

- GUIDE THE FORMATION OF PUBLIC HEALTH POLICY
- ADVOCATE A BODY OF LAWS TO PROTECT AND PRESERVE THE PUBLIC'S HEALTH
- EDUCATE LOCAL BOARDS TO PERFORM PUBLIC HEALTH GOVERNANCE
- SUPPORT THE STAFFING AND FUNDING NECESSITY TO PERFORM FOUNDATIONAL SERVICES
- INCREASE PUBLIC HEALTH AWARENESS
- PROMOTE REGIONAL COOPERATION

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