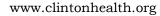


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Healthy Neighborhoods Program to Target Town of Plattsburgh Residents

Town of Plattsburgh, December 26, 2023 The Clinton County Health Department's (CCHD) Healthy Neighborhoods Program (HNP) will be conducting door-to-door outreach in the Town of Plattsburgh. HNP staff will provide brief, in-home surveys to identify health and safety concerns and provide appropriate home safety education and products at no cost to the families that participate.

"These visits are designed to assess health and safety topics in the home. Once safety concerns have been identified, staff will educate residents on those identified issues and provide appropriate home safety products, such as smoke alarms, carbon monoxide detectors and fire extinguishers," explained Maryann Barto, Public Health Educator in CCHD's Environmental Health & Safety Division.

During the home visit, HNP staff will discuss fire safety and determine the best way to reduce household accidents. Education also includes: indoor air quality, carbon monoxide poisoning, lead poisoning and other household health and safety topics. When appropriate, HNP will also cover asthma prevention tactics in order to reduce airway irritants in the home and infant safety concerns. Information about community resources and referrals to other programs are also available during these visits.

The Town of Plattsburgh will be the focus region for January-March. However, participation in the Healthy Neighborhoods Program is **free and open to all Clinton County residents.** Residents who are interested in participating in the program can contact HNP at (518) 565-4870 or www.clintonhealth.org/healthyneighborhoods to schedule a visit.

"This is a great opportunity for our residents to receive education and free products. We encourage all residents to utilize this program and schedule an appointment with our staff," added Ms. Barto. "Our goal is to help families have the safest home possible."

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The Health Department is an accredited full service department serving the residents of Clinton County. The Health Department's Mission is to improve and protect the health, well-being and environment of the people of Clinton County. Visit our website at www.clintonhealth.org or connect with us on Facebook (@clintonhealth), X (Twitter [@ClintonCountyHD]), and Instagram (clintoncountyhealth).

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