

**Southeast Region
CHNS/CHPS
April 2014 Report**

Cassie Lewis

- Attended two meetings with East Lab Instructor, Monroe County Administrator, HHI Manager, and other Safe Prom/Graduation Members at Brinkley High School on plans for upcoming Safe Prom/Graduation event.
- Attended two meetings with Forrest City High School Principal, Senior Counselor, Local Health unit Administrator, and other members of Safe Prom/Graduation members at the High School Office to finalize plans for the event. CHNS also working with Hughes School to participate in upcoming event.
- Safe Prom/Graduation event for Brinkley School District (9-12 graders attended). CHNS and HHI staff collaborated with members of community organizations: fire, police, EMS, Coroner, Med Flight of Little Rock, Superintendent, Principal and faculty of schools to do safe prom/graduation event. The event was a great success and very moving and was narrated from beginning to end by staff from the Police Department. A community member gave a moving story of a personal loss from an automobile accident.
- Visit with West Memphis School District Wellness Committee Chair to discuss ways to improve fitness and nutrition in school. CHNS and NE Health Educator met with Chair to provide information and offer technical assistance on upcoming grants which could be beneficial to the school district in their efforts.
- Several contacts with Special Education Supervisors concerning upcoming Personal Care Training workshop for Paraprofessionals by MITS Staff.
- Communicated with school nurses regarding the completion of the school nurse survey, again reminding them that the survey is mandatory completion this school year.
- Communication with the Forrest City School District Nutrition Supervisor regarding support for Farm to School grant. CHNS supplied letter of support for project.

Liz Mercer

- Tobacco Banners making drivers aware of Act 811 were posted outside each elementary school in the Sheridan, Pine Bluff, Watson Chapel, White Hall, and Dollarway school districts where students are dropped off and picked up. The banners were displayed for two weeks at each school. Act 811 posters were placed in Pine Bluff and Sheridan School districts and Act 811 fact cards were sent home in each child's backpack. There over 5000 students affected in the school districts.
- Immunization Meeting held at ARESC discussed new Immunization laws and ways to get all children vaccinated.
- Injury Prevention 101 training was conducted by Statewide Injury Prevention Program; training included Modules one-eight.
- Meeting with Dollarway School Districts nurses, Superintendent, Kathleen Courtney and Donna Miller on CDC funding of Promoting Health through School Based HIV/STD Prevention and State

Public Health Action to Prevent and Control Diabetes, Heart Disease, Obesity and Associated Risk Factors and Promote School Health that works in conjunction with each other. Discussed the benefits that the district would receive; the district voted to participate in the program.

- Hometown Health Coalition Network-Grant County- Reviewed Coalition goals, May 19th ATV Prevention workshop in Poyen where helmets will be distributed.
- Attended Arkansas Coalition for Obesity Prevention two-day Summit; sessions attended were Worksite Wellness, Farmers' Market, Farm to School, Cooking Matters, & Early Childhood & Schools: Health & Nutrition Toolkit.

Lisa England

- Provided Outreach on ACT 811 to local school districts.
- Spent several days with new CHNS from ARESC.
- Attended CHNS/CHPS meeting.
- Partnering with SEARK ESC CSH AmeriCorps program.
- Assisting SEARK Minority Youth Tobacco Prevention Initiative.
- Contacting local health unit administrators and following up with each one to assess and fulfill community needs.

Rosemary Withers

- Met with Community Health Nurse Specialist (CHNS) at Brinkley School District to assist with reestablishing wellness committee activities.
- Participated in the White Hall Wellness Committee meeting.
- Provided technical assistance with School Health Index Modules 4 and 8 at the Pine Bluff Lighthouse Wellness Committee meeting.
- Met with Campus Director at Quest Middle School to discuss Wellness Committee initiatives and emailed to her all relevant documents that were discussed.
- Set up booth at Pine Bluff School District Health Fair with health related brochures, body fat analyzer, SpinSmart Physical Activity game, Clever Catch Physical Activity game, Portion Control Food Models, Coordinated School Health, and incentive items (approximately 325 participants).
- Provided Slide presentation on Shaken Baby Syndrome at Safety Baby Shower ; demonstrated what happens when a baby is shaken using RealityWorks doll, administered pre and post-test (29 participants).
- Requested collaboration on early childhood and health and nutrition toolkit project with HIPPY at HIPPY Advisory Board meeting.