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Green County Public Health Celebrates National Public Health Week

Green County – Next week, April 4th through 10th is National Public Health Week, an annual week of recognition hosted by the American Public Health Association for more than 25 years. This year's theme is "Public Health is Where You Are."

Public health efforts exist on global, national, state and local levels – all working to prevent disease, and promote and protect health. Public health is in the environment we live in, the places we work, and the policies that impact us. Stop lights, seat belts, vaccines, health screenings, water testing, and supplemental nutrition programs are all examples of public health – and there are so many more. During National Public Health week, we encourage you to slow down, and look around to see the impacts of public health all around you.

"Public health is here to work with the community to prevent the circumstances that lead to poor health. Preventing diseases and injuries is beneficial for everyone, and it has economic benefits. Nationally, for every \$1 invested in prevention efforts, the country saves about \$5.60." Said RoAnn Warden, Public Health Officer/Director. "I am proud of Green County Public Health staff who continuously work to improve the health of our community. The past two years have been difficult for our community, and for our staff who have worked long hours to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. I look forward to being a part of all of the great work our team will continue to do."

Green County Public Health offers a variety of services, and is involved in numerous community workgroups and coalitions. Our staff includes public health nurses, an environmental health specialist, a health educator, a dietician, fiscal clerk and a receptionist who is also a Spanish interpreter. We offer services ranging from immunizations, to breastfeeding consultation, to radon test kits and everything in between. To learn more about the full range of services we offer, and the responsibilities of our department please visit our website: gcpublichealth.org and "Like" us on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/gcpublichealth).

Throughout the week our department will be sharing more information on our Facebook page about the role the important role of public health and current challenges to public health.

During National Public Health Week, we would like to recognize the other organizations in Green County working to improve the health of our community. The work of these organizations does not go unnoticed, and our department has been lucky to work alongside so many dedicated and wonderful groups. Thank you, to each and every individual who has worked to positively impact the health of Green County.

To learn more about National Public Health Week please visit the National Public Health Week [website](#).

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