

## NEWS RELEASE

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### **SWNPHD Open House March 1<sup>st</sup> at New Imperial Office**

Imperial - Southwest Nebraska Public Health Department (SWNPHD) invites the public to attend their open house on Wednesday, March 1<sup>st</sup> from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at their new Imperial office. The office is located at 501 Broadway with their entrance on 5<sup>th</sup> Street.

“We are excited to have the public meet our staff at our new office,” shares SWNPHD Director, Myra Stoney. Emergency Response Coordinator, Heidi Wheeler and Program Assistant, Mason Holmes will operate out of the Imperial Office Tuesday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. MT.

SWNPHD will have radon short-term test kits, mold test kits and shelter-in-place buckets for purchase at their Imperial office. You can find resources on: tobacco cessation, preparing for emergencies & disasters, handwashing, cover your cough, healthy living, immunizations, West Nile Virus, mosquito controls, rabies, radon, and the Nebraska Respite Network.

Several programs are conducted by SWNPHD, such as the Nebraska Kids Fitness & Nutrition Day for all 4<sup>th</sup> grade students in the health district, a radon poster contest for youth ages 9-14, handwashing demonstrations and disaster planning through table top exercises. Walk to Health registration materials will be available at the Imperial office.

SWNPHD has added Cholestech glucose and cholesterol testing health screenings by appointment through the Imperial office. Real estate radon testing and mosquito trapping to test for West Nile Virus will continue by SWNPHD in Chase County.

For more information on programs at SWNPHD view our website at [www.swhealth.ne.gov](http://www.swhealth.ne.gov), contact Myra Stoney at email: [info@swhealth.ne.gov](mailto:info@swhealth.ne.gov) or call 308-345-4223. SWNPHD is located at 404 West 10<sup>th</sup> Street, McCook – one block north of Arby’s and 501 Broadway, Imperial – 5<sup>th</sup> Street entrance. Heidi and Mason can be contacted at 308-882-4269 or by email: [erc@swhealth.ne.gov](mailto:erc@swhealth.ne.gov), [mason@swhealth.ne.gov](mailto:mason@swhealth.ne.gov) .

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