

What's New With Environmental Health's Licensing and Inspections

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The Faces of Licensing and Inspections

Left to right:

Tracey Schug-Petersen is a Public Health Aide. Tracey helps with license renewals, pool reports, and record reviews at school kitchens.

Laurie Diaby is a Public Health Sanitarian. Laurie does the inspections for restaurants, lodging, swimming pools, campgrounds, and body art facilities.

Deb Lindemann is the St. Croix County Health Officer and the supervisor.

Ed Thurman is the Environmental Health Specialist. In the licensing and inspections program, Ed does inspections of retail food facilities and manufactured home parks.

Jessica McEwen is a Public Health Aide. Jessica assists with routine inspections and will do some of the re-inspections.

Each of us carry ID cards so do not ever be afraid to ask to see them.

Community Health Improvement Efforts in St. Croix County

Healthier Together-St. Croix County coalition is comprised of representatives from Public Health, hospitals, schools, businesses, and individual citizens working together to improve the health of St. Croix County. Currently task force groups

are working on the following priorities: healthy foods, physical activity, and oral health. For more information and/or to get involved go to <http://www.healthiertogetherstcroix.org> or call 715.246.8363.

State of WI DOH Food Safety and Recreation Licensing Merges

Effective July 1, 2016, the state of Wisconsin Division of Health Food Safety and Recreational Licensing Section merges into Wisconsin Department of Agriculture Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) and Department of Safety and Professional Services (DSPS)

So St. Croix County will have one agent contract with DATCP for licensing and inspections of restaurants, lodging facilities, pools, campgrounds,

recreational educational camps, vending machines, and retail food facilities. We will have a second agent contract with DSPS for licensing of manufactured home parks and body art facilities.

Applicable codes will be retitled and our county ordinance for these programs will be updated to reflect the changes. On a program and facility level no significant change is expected.

Don't forget we moved across the street from Wal Mart in New Richmond at 1752 Dorset Lane.

Program News

- The newly revised campground code is now in effect for a copy of it go to www.scc.wi.us/licenseandinspection
- The top 5 violations in restaurants last year were related to handwash facilities, a current certified food manager, cold-holding issues, foods separated and protected, and food contact surfaces clean and sanitized.
- Please remember: Facilities are **not** charged anything for one re-inspection following the annual routine inspection. If though, the inspector has to make more than one re-inspection for the same violation(s), a re-inspection fee may be charged.
- Quarterly reviews of the monthly swimming pool reports implemented last year has proven to increase the completeness and compliance with the commercial pool code requirements. This program will continue in the next year. Thanks to all the pool operators!
- Don't forget that employees with undiagnosed vomiting or diarrhea need to be symptom free for 48 hours before returning to work in the kitchen of a restaurant.