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Nominees Sought for the 17th Annual Public Health Award

Do you know a McLean County professional or volunteer who promotes public health principles? If so, the McLean County Health Department is accepting nominations for the 17th annual McLean County Board of Health Public Health Award. This award honors a McLean County resident who has furthered the principles and practices of public health. The recipient of the award will be recognized during National Public Health Week in April.

Nominees must be McLean County residents who exhibit leadership in public health-related activities and contribute to health promotion efforts within the county. The nominee's contribution can be made as a volunteer or in a paid capacity. Some areas of involvement could include: maternal/child health, environmental health, nutrition and fitness, aging population, individuals with disabilities, communicable disease, health education and promotion, mental health, injury prevention, emergency preparedness or another health-related field. Employees of the McLean County Health Department are not eligible for this award.

Last year's Public Health Award recipient was Jan Knollenberg, a school nurse from Normal Community High School. Knollenberg devoted her time to promoting health in pregnant and parenting teens, networking with health department programs and pioneering the Teen Parenting Support Group for McLean County schools.

Nominations for the 2009 Public Health Award must be received by Feb. 27, 2009. Nomination forms are available at www.mcleancountyil.gov/health and may be submitted by e-mail to bree.davis@mcleancountyil.gov. Nominations may be typed in a separate Word document or in the body of the e-mail, and should include all information detailed on the form. Forms may also be faxed to 309-452-8479 or mailed to Public Health Award Selection Committee, ATTN: Bree Davis, 200 W. Front Street, Bloomington, IL 61701. For additional information, contact Bree Davis at bree.davis@mcleancountyil.gov or (309) 888-5489.

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