# SHORE HEALTH NEWSLETTER

The Long Beach Island Health Department Newsletter

# **Adult Sun Safety**

Summer is here and just being outside exposes us to the damaging rays of the Sun. The Skin Cancer Foundation states more people are diagnosed with skin cancer each year in the U.S. than all other cancers combined.

One in five Americans will develop skin cancer by the age of 70.

For that reason, the Long Beach Island Health Department recommends the following to lower your risk of developing skin cancer:

- Cover up with clothing, a wide-brimmed hat, and UV blocking sunglasses. Remember clothing should be your first means of protection.
- Use a broad spectrum sunscreen of at least 30 SPF.
- Apply at least 1 oz. (the size of a shot glass) of sunscreen 15 minutes before going outside and reapply every 2 hours or after swimming, sweating or toweling off.
- Seek shade-limit exposure between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.
- Avoid tanning beds.
- Visit a dermatologist yearly for a full body skin check.

For more detailed information about prevention go to the
National Council on Skin Cancer Prevention at
www.skincancerprevention.org or the Skin Cancer Foundation at
www.skincancer.org

## FREE SKIN CANCER SCREENING

JOIN US FOR OUR 14TH ANNUAL CHOOSE YOUR CHOVER SKIN CANCER SCREENING AT THE BEACH!

SATURDAY, JULY 22, 2023 I 10 A.M. - 1 P.M.
BAYVIEW PARK PAVILLION
6805 LONG BEACH BLVD, LONG BEACH TOWNSHIP, NJ 08008

WEAR YOUR BAITHING SUIT OR BEACH ATTIRE.

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#### **ADULT SUN SAFETY**

## PREVENTING HEAT-RELATED ILLNESS

The Long Beach Island Health
Department is the branch of local
government responsible for the health
of residents of Long Beach Township,
Beach Haven, Ship Bottom, Surf City,
Harvey Cedars, and Barnegat Light.

2119 Long Beach Blvd. 1st Floor Ship Bottom, NJ 08008 (609) 492-1212

> Monday - Friday 9am - 4pm





#### **WEBSITES OF INTEREST:**

lbihealth.com cdc.gov fema.gov njquitline.org covid19.nj.gov/ registerready.nj.gov

# **Preventing Heat-Related Illness**

Beware of Hot Cars: Never leave children, people with disabilities, elderly persons, or pets in a parked car - even for a short time. It only take TWO minutes for a car to reach unsafe temperatures.

Avoid the Hottest Part of the Day: Check weather reports and avoid scheduling outdoor activities during the hottest hours of the day. Wear lightweight, loose, light-colored clothing and avoid direct sunlight.

Check on neighbors and loved ones: With extreme heat events it is important to check on neighbors and loved ones, especially if the person is elderly and lives alone.

**Stay Hydrated:** Drink more water than usual. Avoid alcohol or drinks that contain high amounts of sugar/caffeine.

**Stay Informed:** Get alerts from county/local emergency management offices. Pay attention to weather reports when a heat emergency is declared.

### Know the Difference Between Heat Exhaustion and Heat Stroke

#### **Heat Exhaustion Symptoms:**

Heavy Sweating
Headache
Weakness
Fatigue
Dizziness
Nausea or Vomiting

#### What to Do:

Move to a cool place
Loosen clothing
Put cool, wet clothes on
body/take a cool bath
Drink cool water

### When to Seek Medical Help:

Person throws up or cannot drink
Symptoms get worse
Symptoms last longer than I
hour

#### **Heat Stroke Symptoms:**

Very High Body Temperature
Red, Hot, Dry Skin (no sweating)
Rapid, strong pulse
Headache
Dizziness
Nausea
Confusion, loss of consciousness

#### What to Do:

Seek immediate medical attention \* Call 9-1-1 right away \*

Move person to a cooler place
Help lower the person's
temperature with cool cloths/cool
bath

#### **LBIHD Services Offered:**

#### **COVID-19 VACCINE**

Visit our website at <a href="http://lbihealth.com/covid-19-vaccine-scheduling/">http://lbihealth.com/covid-19-vaccine-scheduling/</a>

#### SAFE SYRINGE DISPOSAL

Call (609-492-1212) to schedule an appointment.

Syringes must be in a hard container with taped lid

(Coffee can, Detergent bottle)

# MONTHLY FREE BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING

For monthly schedule, visit: https://lbihealth.com/specialevents-and-programs/

#### Resources:

NJ Covid-19 Vaccine Hotline for Seniors 75+: Call (856)-249-7007

NJ toll-free Covid-19 Vaccination Hotline: 1-(855)-568-0545

Ocean County Senior Service Call Center: 1-(732) 929-2091

NJ Poison Control Center: 1-800-222-1222

NJCEED provides outreach, educational and screening services for breast, cervical, colorectal and prostate cancers. To find out if you are eligible for a free cancer screening call: (732)-557-3202.

NIXLE keeps you up-to-date with relevant information from your local public safety departments and schools. To opt in, go to www.nixle.com or text your zip code to 888777

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