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Sent: 5/16/2018 2:34:35 PM
To: Cirian, Mike [Cirian.Mike@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: CFAC transition to MT DHHS APPLETREE Grant/COOP Program

I phoned Kathleen this morning and will send her a report once it clears review. Thanks for the referral.

From: Cirian, Mike [mailto:Cirian.Mike@epa.gov]
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Subject: RE: CFAC transition to MT DHHS APPLETREE Grant/COOP Program

Hello Connie,

I had a lady come up to me at our CFAC tour last week and she was interested in talking to someone that could help answer some health related questions in regards to exposure and other issues in regards to CFAC. Her husband used to work there. Was wondering if you could assist her with this?

Her name is Kathleen Brown and her phone number is: Personal Matters / Ex. 6

Thanks
Mike

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Subject: CFAC transition to MT DHHS APPLETREE Grant/COOP Program

Hi Mike, Robert, and Colleen,
Please welcome Connie Garrett as the new health assessor for the CFAC site. This year, Montana received the APPLETREE Grant from ATSDR and joined our COOP Program – which basically means that MT DHHS functions as ATSDR within the state. With additional staff now in place, Health Assessments are authored by the state health department for Montana , then reviewed ATSDR. The process is generally the same; however, in our experience the net effect is positive since the COOP health assessors are closer to the site (Colorado and Utah have been part of the COOP program for several funding cycles). Since the COOP state is more geographically focused and more familiar with state epi data, the COOP programs are often more timely/responsive as new data and community concerns emerge. The ATSDR funding has facilitated the hiring of a toxicologist (Matthew Ferguson) and Connie as the health assessor. I imagine you already know Laura Williamson, the state epidemiologist, who is leading the Montana COOP program.

Connie brings a wealth of experience in authoring health assessments. Connie is located in Helena. Please welcome her to the team.

My role now is to transition the health assessment portion site to Connie. If funding permits, I hope to join you all in Columbia Falls to explain the transition to the community. As always, please don't hesitate to call with questions.

My Best,
David

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