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**RE:** 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Genesee County Health Department Public Health Conference  
"Connecting Place, Environment, and Health"

The environment in which you live also impacts your health. Chemicals, toxins, animal life, and social conditions all contribute to the environment we live in. The goal of the 10th Annual Public Health Conference, hosted by the Genesee County Health Department, is to explore all the complex relationships we have with our environment and the impact they have on community health. This year's conference will be held on Tuesday, May 3, 2016, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm at the Flint Institute of Arts, located at 1120 E. Kearsley Street in Flint, Michigan.

This year's conference, "Connecting Place, Environment, and Health" will feature keynote speaker Robert Jennings, Chair of the Health and Equity in All Policies Committee at the Ohio Public Health Association to address health in all policies. Kimberly Signs, DVM will discuss the one health concept and Trish Koman, MPP will present information on the health effects of climate change. The conference will also feature sessions led by local, state, and national experts. These sessions will address tobacco intervention, overview of the Flint water crisis, water illness and beach testing, food access, health risk assessment and communication, environmental justice, healthy homes, and environmental medicine.

The Health Departments annual health conference serves as an opportunity for local and state public health officials, health care professionals, school officials and students, as well as, community residents and community-based organizations, to expand their knowledge, discuss current and future issues important to public health, and explore strategies that can improve these conditions. Attendees of the conference will takeaway information that will strengthen their roles, and those of their organizations and communities to improve the lives of the people they serve.

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