

Susan Campbell to attend water illness workshop

Susan Campbell, head of the Public Bathing Place program for Oklahoma City-County Health Department, has been invited to attend a Recreational Water Illness Prevention Workshop in Atlanta, GA. The Workshop is sponsored by the Center for Disease Control.

The planned workshop will focus on recommendations to the Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists for the prevention and control of recreational water illnesses in the United States. Invitations to the workshop were sent to 100 persons including federal, state and local epidemiologists, Environmental Health specialists, laboratory professionals, academics and members of the pool and spa industry. Final recommendations will be published in CDC's MMWR Report this summer.

Participants have been broken in to four workgroups: Group 1: Assessing the Problem, Group 2: Increasing Public Awareness and Action; Group 3: Maximizing the impact of Health Department Programs; and Group 4: Collecting Data Needed for Improving Pool Water Quality. Suzie will be participating in Group 1, Assessing the Problem.

The Workshop, as planned, will be very intensive. Two telephone conferences will be held prior to the workshop. The Workshop itself will run continuously from Tuesday evening through 3 pm Thursday. Expenses are being paid by CDC.