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Media Release

Kane County Health Department Launches New Health Data Website

(8/27/24) The Kane County Health Department (KCHD) has released a new data-sharing website designed to empower the community with access to local health data. The Kane Health Atlas, available at kanehealthatlas.org, is an interactive platform that enables users to explore, analyze, and visualize health information in ways that are meaningful.

Key Features:

- **Customizable Visualizations**: Users can create personalized maps, graphs, and charts, offering multiple perspectives on health data. With the ability to view maps at the zip code, census tract, city, town, or county level, and stratify data by race/ethnicity, age, and gender, the platform highlights trends across diverse populations.
- Analysis Tools: The Atlas offers the ability to perform regression analysis and scatterplot creation, empowering users to explore relationships between specific variables. Additionally, the mapping tool allows users to overlay data with various layers representing different sectors such as hospitals, libraries, and grocery stores. This provides a comprehensive view of the community and aiding in the identification of health disparities.

The Kane Health Atlas is now live and accessible in 10 different languages, making it an inclusive resource for all residents. The platform's analytical capabilities support data-driven decision-making, serving as a valuable tool for residents, researchers, and stakeholders committed to building a healthier, more informed community.

"We are thrilled to offer this innovative resource to the public," said Michael Isaacson, KCHD Executive Director. "The Kane Health Atlas is designed to help our community better understand and address health challenges by providing the tools needed to visualize and analyze local health data."

The Kane Health Atlas is an invaluable resource for a wide range of community members, including public health professionals, educators, policymakers, researchers, and local organizations. Health professionals can use the data to identify trends, monitor health outcomes, and allocate resources effectively. Educators can integrate the data into curricula to teach students about public health and community wellness. Policymakers can leverage the insights to craft informed policies that address health disparities and improve overall community health. Additionally, local organizations and nonprofits can use the Atlas to tailor their programs and services to meet the specific needs of diverse populations within Kane County.

The Kane County Health Department invites everyone to explore the new website and use the tools to gain insights that will contribute to improving the health of all Kane County residents.

For more information, please visit KaneHealthAtlas.org or contact the Kane County Health Department at 630-208-3801.