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## Welcome Jerilyn!

Sieglinde Prior

It is with a mixture of sadness and hope for the future that we wish Meghan O'Brien, our Division Director for just over a year, good luck at her new position as the Deputy Director of the Alcoholic Beverages Division! We will miss Meghan's energy and creativity.

However, we have our own Jerilyn Oshel who will step in as our Interim Director.

Jerilyn has been with the Division for 11 years and has worked in different aspects of the Division starting as a JEL intern in 2001 and becoming fulltime with the Division in 2002 working with Community Partnerships. Most recently Jerilyn worked with Community Partnerships and Quitline Iowa.

"I really look forward to this opportunity to move tobacco control forward and continue to build on all of the great things that have been happening. Please feel free to contact me anytime and thank you so much for all that you do for tobacco control." I am sure you will join us in congratulating Jerilyn in this new position and thanking her for taking on these new responsibilities.

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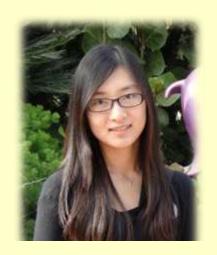
## Welcome to Robbyn and Fang



The Division is very excited to welcome Robbyn Graves as a temporary community health consultant.

Robbyn has been involved in tobacco control since she was 13. First as a 'JEL kid', a summit chaperone and, most recently, as the Community Partnership contact for Dubuque County. Robbyn will be working closely with Garin on the youth program with an emphasis on connecting the program more closely with the work the Community Partnerships are doing. She started August 9<sup>th</sup>! Feel free to send her a welcome email, her email address is Robbyn.Graves@idph.iowa.gov .

"I'm an lowa native, from Webster City and have lived in Dubuque for the last 6 years. I've been involved with tobacco use prevention and control since 2000. I participated as a youth in our state tobacco prevention program (JEL) and chaperoned JEL summits as a college aged young adult. For the past two years I have served as the Dubuque County Community Partnership and have focused a lot of my attention on our youth prevention program ISTEP. I love working with youth and meeting new people. I'm engaged to be married summer 2014, and am very excited to be a part of the Division!"



We are also very happy to welcome Fang Fang.

Fang just graduated from ISU in statistics with a minor in economics. She is joining us as a temporary community health consultant to provide analytical support to the Division by producing reports on BRFSS data and developing materials for our contractors and advocates.

"I am a recent graduate from Iowa State University and have lived in Ames for four years since leaving Beijing, China. I am so glad to be a part of the Division and very excited to contribute to IDPH's public health efforts. It is an honor to be given the opportunity to work at IDPH and with the Division on tobacco control."

Her native language is Mandarin and Fang was born in Hebei Province, China.

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### **Annual I-STEP Youth Summit!**

By Garin Buttermore

"The annual I-STEP youth summit occurred June 12 at the FFA Enrichment Center in Ankeny. Thirty-one youth attended (not including Executive Council) from 14 counties representing 12 Partnerships. For the first time in several years I-STEP brought a national speaker to the summit, Nigel Wrangham, who delivered the keynote and a series of breakout sessions. Youth from the Executive Council, Shannon Pagones from the Alcohol Beverages Division, Peter Komendowski from the Partnership @ DrugFree Iowa and our own Garin Buttermore also gave breakout sessions. Youth at the summit elected a new President, Savana Dorsey from Winterset and also created a framework of goals for the program to meet during the coming school year.

The evening of the summit included a Tobacco Free Ball, a game of trivia, video footage to be used in social marketing, and a candle light vigil.

Youth at the summit gave it high marks as evidenced by these evaluation responses:

I would come again because I want to learn more and meet more people--I had a blast!

I would recommend the summit next year because you are always going to learn something new and make good memories while doing it.

I learned that stopping smoking for even a short amount of time can help.

In mid-August the new Executive Council will meet and, in a new process, plan the details for next summer's Youth Summit so that it can be promoted all year.

If you have questions or comments about the youth program or this year's summit please contact Garin or your CHC.



John (former I-STEP President) lights a summiteer's candle during the vigil.

Facebook

https://www.facebook.co m/turnyourbackontobacco



Dancing at the Tobacco Free Ball

"I lost my grandfather to lung cancer. I always hear stories about how interesting he was... and I wish I could have found that out for myself." Page 4 TUPAC News

**Community Partnership Highlights** 



Our newest CP contractor: Alcohol and Drug Dependency Services of Southeast Iowa (ADDS)

Alcohol and Drug Dependency Services of Southeast Iowa (ADDS) provides Outpatient (Level 1 and Level 2) services, Residential Services, Access to Recover Services, Gambling Treatment Services, Drug Court, Aftercare and Prevention Services. ADDS has five locations, with the main location in Burlington. ADDS Prevention Department covers four different counties (Henry, Louisa, Lee and Des Moines). Gambling Treatment Services are offered in the Burlington, Mt. Pleasant, Keokuk, Wapello, Ottumwa and Davenport offices (include several surrounding counties). ADDS has currently been granted the Community Partnership for Tobacco Use Prevention and Control contract for both Des Moines and Louisa Counties. Although Prevention Staff has some familiarity with the contract through working on the Tobacco Free Coalitions, ADDS has not worked on this

grant before. This is a new and exciting challenge for the agency. ADDS has not yet, found a qualified candidate to fill the position of Tobacco Prevention Coordinator and until that position is filled, the Prevention Supervisor, Melissa Foster will manage the contract and duties of the position.

Melissa Foster, has a Bachelor's of Science Degree and is a Certified Prevention Specialist and is currently working on her Masters Degree in Health Sciences (Public Health). Ms. Foster has been employed with ADDS for two and half years, and has been supervisor for 6 months. In this time, Ms. Foster has managed the Comprehensive Substance Abuse Prevention Grant and SPF SIG grants. Ms. Foster has also been active with multiple community organizations and coalitions through her work as a prevention specialist. Prior to working at ADDS, Ms. Foster has 11 and half years of experience working in child welfare serving Lee, Des Moines, Henry and Louisa counties.

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#### **Announcements**

#### **New Prevalence Data:**

#### **BRFSS 2012 Adult Tobacco Data**

lowans reporting being a current smoker:

lowa Youth Survey 2012 Youth Tobacco Data

All youth (6<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>) current use:

All youth ever use:

Current 11<sup>th</sup> grade students reporting tobacco usage:

Current 8<sup>th</sup> grade students reporting tobacco usage:

4%

Current 6th grade students reporting tobacco usage:

1%

The Division will be offering some materials for efforts in rural areas. Several fact sheets are in the process of being finished for your use next month in rural youth engagement, rodeo association board outreach, and county fairs. An update on rural programming will be provided at the September tobacco conference. In July 2013 a webinar was presented with a special focus on reaching out to rural county businesses. If you have questions about rural programming feel free to contact Maggie O'Rourke, at Maggie.orourke@idph.iowa.gov

SFAA complaints from previous fiscal years:

- FY12 399
- FY11 691
- FY10 1127
- FY09 2730

In the spring of 2008, Iowa lawmakers passed legislation to protect employees and the general public from second hand smoke. The Smoke Free Air Act (SFAA) prohibits smoking in almost all public places and enclosed areas within places of employment, as well as some outdoor areas.

The law applies to: restaurants, bars, outdoor entertainment events and amphitheaters. It also covers other places of employment such as office buildings, health care facilities, and child care facilities. Smoking is allowed on the gaming floor of a licensed casino, as well as designated hotel and motel rooms. For the fiscal year 2013 (July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013) there were 242 valid complaints of the lowa SFAA submitted to the lowa department of Public Health.

Of these, 189 (78%) were first violations, 43 (18%) were seconds and 10 (4%) were thirds.

If you have any questions regarding the SFAA, please contact Don Owens at <a href="mailto:Donald.owens@idph.iowa.gov">Donald.owens@idph.iowa.gov</a> or 515-281-6251.

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