

**New Hampshire Health Officer Weekly Updates**  
**May 19 – May 23, 2014**

Welcome - Health Officers and Deputy Health Officers

**DHHS – In the News**

5/22/14      [Unregulated Contaminant Found in Pease Tradeport Water System](#)

5/20/14      [DHHS Issues Reminder about Disease Prevention Efforts for Tick Season in New Hampshire](#)

**Do your residents have private well? If so, consider helping....**

The Thayer School of Engineering at Dartmouth is working with the NH Department of Environmental Services and the NH Department of Health and Human Services to investigate people's exposure to contaminants in private well water. They are surveying private well owners in NH through a survey monkey questionnaire. They are hoping you will consider posting the announcement on your town email lists or announcements. Attached to this week's update is a copy of the post card. If you would like hard copies of the post card for your community or have questions please contact Michael Paul at [michael.paul@dartmouth.edu](mailto:michael.paul@dartmouth.edu) or 643-3137.

**Did You Know**

**Reporting Adult/Child Abuse**

- The Adult Protection Law ([RSA 161-F: 42-57](#)) requires any person who has a reason to believe that an incapacitated adult has been subjected to abuse, neglect, exploitation or self-neglect to make a report immediately to the Bureau of Elderly & Adult Services (BEAS). Call (603) 271-7014 or toll Free from within NH at (800) 949-0470. For more information visit:  
<http://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dcbcs/beas/documents/abuse-hurts.pdf>
  
- Child Protection Law ([RSA 169-C](#)) requires **any person** who suspects that a child under age 18 has been abused or neglected **must report** that suspicion **immediately** to Division of Children, Youth, and Families (DCYF). If a child tells you that he or she has been hurt or you are concerned that a child may be the victim of any type of abuse or neglect, you must call DCYF Central Intake Unit at: (800) 894-5533. For more information visit:  
<http://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dcyf/cps/stop.htm>

**Don't forget about the following resources:**

NH Health Officer Listserve – Email your questions to [nhlho@maillist2.nh.gov](mailto:nhlho@maillist2.nh.gov)  
NH Health Officer Manual – <http://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/holu/manual.htm>

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**Thank-You for ALL that YOU do!**