

EMS, Health Dept, recognized with proclamations

(KAIR)--Special proclamations came during this week's meeting of the Atchison County Commission, with emergency services and the local health department both recognized.

The Atchison County Health Department is celebrating 100-years in operation, and that was noted during the proclamation made Tuesday by Atchison County Commission Chair Jack Bower, who closed the proclamation by saying, "Now, therefore, the Atchison County Commission by virtue of the authority vested in the commission by the laws of Atchison County and the State of Kansas do proclaim May 17, 2019 as Atchison County Public Health Department 100th Anniversary Day."

The Atchison County Health Department began operating in 1919.

A ceremony to mark the 100th year anniversary is planned for Friday.

It will be held at the health department, located at 616 Commercial Street, in Atchison.

Family fun activities, hotdogs, and cake will be served.

The public is invited.

Also proclaimed Tuesday was Emergency Medical Services Week which will run from May 19 through May 25.

The proclamation calls Emergency Medical Services "a vital public service," adding that "the members of emergency medical teams are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a week."

100th Anniversary of the Atchison County Health Department Proclamation

Whereas, the forefathers of Atchison County recognized the need to protect the health and well being of its citizenry, did establish the Atchison County Public Health Association May 17, 1928, and

Whereas, the Atchison County Public Health Association evolved into the Atchison County Health Department which is a member of the Northeast Kansas Multicounty Health Department, and

Whereas, the Atchison County Health Department has played a significant role in preventing increased life expectancy by helping the Atchison community prevent, aware for, withstand and recover from the full range of health threats, including disease outbreaks such as measles, natural disasters and disasters caused by human activity, and

Whereas, the Atchison County Health Department has continued to play a major role in reducing the spread of infectious disease through surveillance and control measures driven by scientific and technological advances, and

Whereas, the Atchison County Health Department has performed as a valuable team member, working with other community stakeholders in addressing the health concerns of the Atchison community, and

Whereas, the Atchison County Health Department recognizes the everchanging complexities of health care in both the local and global community and commit to preventing, promoting and protecting to improve the health of all, and

Now, therefore, the Atchison County Commissioners by virtue of the authority vested in the commission by the laws of Atchison County and the State of Kansas do proclaim May 17, 2028, as:

Atchison County Public Health Department 100th Anniversary Day.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the Board of Commissioners of Atchison County, Kansas, on the 14th day of May, 2028.



Jack Bowen, Chairman

Eric Hill, Member

Henry W. Pugh, Member

Attest: _____
Michelle Phillips, County Clerk

**Atchison County, Kansas
Proclamation**

WHEREAS, Emergency Medical Services is a vital public service and the members of emergency medical teams are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and

WHEREAS, Access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury, and

WHEREAS, Emergency Medical Services have traditionally served as the safety net of America's health care system, and

WHEREAS, Emergency medical teams consist of emergency physicians, emergency nurses, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, firefighters, educators, administrators, and others and approximately two thirds of all emergency medical services providers are volunteers, and

WHEREAS, The members of the Emergency Medical Service teams, whether career or volunteer, engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills, and

WHEREAS, Americans benefit daily from the knowledge and skills of these highly trained individuals and it is appropriate to recognize the value and accomplishments of emergency medical service providers by designating Emergency Medical Services Week, and

WHEREAS, Injury prevention and the appropriate use of the EMS system will help reduce national health care costs;

NOW, THEREFORE, we the Board of County Commissioners of ATCHISON COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS, do hereby proclaim the week of May 19th - 25th of 2028, as

Emergency Medical Services Week

in Atchison County and encourage all residents to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

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