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Health Department announces closures

(Lawrence, KS) – The Lawrence-Douglas County Health Department’s offices and clinic will be closed Dec. 24 and Dec. 25 for the holidays.

The Health Department also will be closed from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Dec. 26 for staff training as it prepares to implement a new electronic medical record system in January.

The Health Department will be using Netsmart Technologies’ Insight system, which is specifically designed for the unique needs of public health. More than 130 public health organizations and 10 state health departments use it across the country.

Jennie Henault, Director of Administrative Services, said the new system would help improve operational efficiencies by integrating the flow of information across all areas of the Health Department. Those areas include Clinic Services, Environmental Health and Child Care Licensing. Insight also will enable staff members to better track and report time-sensitive information.

The Health Department, which has 42 employees and provides services for more than 10,000 people annually, plans to begin using the new system in January.

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