2018 Health Programming Survey Results

This is a general summary of the results from a 2018 Health Programming Survey that was sent to public libraries in Montana in August 2018. 61 total responses were collected (54 complete, 7 incomplete), and 39 of 82 public libraries were represented in the survey responses.

Within each section, respondents were asked to indicate the top three topics that they were most interested in. The number following the topic is the number of people who indicated interest in the survey. The top three topics of each section are highlighted in yellow. Qualitative/open-ended questions were summarized at the end of each topic list.

**Initiative Interest Choices**

1. Opioids/Substance Abuse (23)
2. Alzheimer’s/Dementia (34)
3. Healthy Eating/Nutrition (28)
4. Obesity/Exercise (22)
5. Mental Health (39)
6. Enjoying Life/Thriving (27)
7. Other topics: Suicide prevention, senior health, health at every size, poverty reduction, grief, affordable healthcare

**Population:**

1. Teens – Sexual Health (10)
2. Teens – Safe Driving/Public Safety (5)
3. Teens – Health Insurance (2)
4. Parents/Families – Breastfeeding (2)
5. Parents/Families – Vaccines (11)
6. Parents/Families – Nutrition (21)
7. Seniors - Medicare/Medicaid (27)
8. Seniors – Staying Active (21)
9. Seniors – Alzheimer's/Dementia (24)
10. Native Americans – Diabetes (5)
11. Native Americans – Indigenous Plants/Food (3)
12. Caregivers – Compassion Fatigue (16)
13. Caregivers – Caregiver Support (23)
14. Other topics: socialized medicine

**Librarian Training:**

1. Mental Health (39)
2. Conducting Health Reference Interview (12)
3. General Health Info (37)
4. Disaster Preparedness (31)
5. Funding Opps (30)
6. Organization Specific Resource Training (16)
7. Other topics: No responses

**Curriculum:**

1. Event Ideas – Health Panels/Fairs (11)
2. Event Ideas – Health Screenings (9)
3. Event Ideas - Lectures/Presentations (27)
4. Exhibits (8)
5. Printables – Book Lists (16)
6. Printables - Brochures/Pamphlets (18)
7. Online Resource Lists (20)
8. Patron Classes – Where to find Info (16)
9. Patron Classes – How to Evaluate Info (17)
10. Patron Classes – Health Insurance Basics (22)
11. Other: No responses

**Monthly Events:**

1. Jan – Cervical Awareness (4)
2. Feb – Children’s Teeth (6)
3. March – Nutrition (18)
4. April – STI Awareness (3)
5. May – Mental Health (37)
6. June – Alzheimer’s (22)
7. July – Sports Week (4)
8. August – Immunizations (9)
9. September – Healthy Aging (26)
10. October – Health Literacy Month (11)
11. November – Diabetes (11)
12. November – Caregivers (9)
13. December – Flu Vaccine Week (5)
14. Other: Autism Awareness Month, National Yoga Awareness Month, RAINN Day, National Prescription Drug Take Back Day