



Resource Updates

You may have recently read the “[Seven lessons I’ve learned about improving health in America](#)” by Risa Lavizzo-Mourey of RWJF. This poignant and value-packed message serves as a useful resource and tool to examine how these ‘culture of health’ lessons may be, or are being, applied in Oklahoma: #1: Health is Everything #2: Think Big and Commit #3: Innovation Requires Risk #4: Collaborate and Co-Create #5: Pursue Unlikely Partnerships #6: Tell Their Stories #7: Empower Thinkers and Doers.¹ How are the choices available in your county shaping the health of its residents? And, how do your neighboring counties compare? “...[when it comes to our health, the choices we make often depend on the choices we have.](#)”¹ As an example, using five years of county life expectancy data from the Institute of Health Metrics & Evaluation 2013¹, it seems that men living in Cleveland County are expected to live nearly 3 years longer than men in the neighboring county of Oklahoma. And women in Cleveland County live, on average, 2 years longer than their Oklahoma county neighbors. Lavizzo-Mourey identifies trust and teamwork, between and among counties, to be critical components of overall success.



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Funding Opportunities

The American Electric Power Foundation accepts applications on an ongoing basis in the state of Oklahoma for projects within its service area that provide basic human services in the areas of hunger, housing, health and safety. Learn more at www.aep.com/community/OurGiving/AEPFoundation/

In case you missed it...

The National Advisory Committee on Rural Health and Human Services discussed their most recent report on the social determinants of health in a webinar on March 14th. The slides are available for review at <https://www.ruralhealthinfo.org/webinars/files/nacrhhs-social-determinants-ppt-031417.pdf>

CHIO News & Community Events



- The Oklahoma Turning Point Council (OTPC) is accepting nominations for the **2017 Community Health Champion Award Program** as a way to recognize the service and dedication of those that make our communities better.

The OTPC Community Health Champion Award Program recognizes partnerships within five categories: tobacco, obesity, child health, behavioral health and other. **Nominations will close at 5 pm on Friday, May 26th, 2017.**

OTPC Community Health Champions will be honored at a special awards luncheon during the OTPC Annual Conference on Wednesday, August 30th, 2017 at the Marriott Conference Center at NCED in Norman, OK.

For more information about the OTPC Community Health Champion Award Program and/or to submit a nomination visit the OTPC Annual Conference website at <http://okturningpoint.org/annualconference/communitychampion/>



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1. Lavizzo-Mourey, Risa. *Seven Lessons I’ve Learned About Improving Health in America*. 2017 Annual Message. Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.