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CRMC PUBLIC HEALTH PARTNERS WITH AREA CARE PROVIDERS TO HELP STOP TOBACCO AND NICOTINE USE

Over the past couple months, Cherokee Regional Medical Center's Public Health Department has continued to partner with local entities in an effort to stop tobacco and nicotine use. Most recently, Jan Carlson with CRMC Public Health has presented Bright Beginnings Pre-School and Accura HealthCare of Cherokee each with tobacco/nicotine free signs, provided through the Tobacco Education and Prevention Grant from the Iowa Department of Public Health (IDPH).

"It's a constant battle with the tobacco companies," Carlson noted. "Thankfully entities such as Bright Beginnings and Accura HealthCare have been very cooperative and have taken a proactive stance against the use of tobacco and nicotine products on there."

Anyone interested in learning more about the resources available through the IDPH Tobacco Education and Prevention Grant is encouraged to contact CRMC's Public Health Department at 712.225.2129.



Photo 1- This past fall, Jan Carlson (right) of CRMC Public Health presented new anti-tobacco and nicotine signage to Jennifer Westphal at Bright Beginnings Day Care and Pre-school in Cherokee.



Photo 2- Last month, Jan Carlson (left) of CRMC Public Health presented new anti-tobacco and nicotine signage to Kelsie Carlson, Assistant Director of Nursing (center), and Angie Byers, Director of Nursing, at Accura HealthCare of Cherokee.