

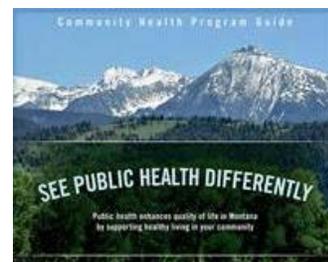


Montana Community Health Program Guide -

DPPHS has produced a community health program **guide to make it easier to find health resources that are available across Montana**. The guide and an interactive map listing the programs found in each county, can be found at:

<http://dphhs.mt.gov/publichealth/chronicdisease/CommunityBasedPrograms>.

Included programs address arthritis, asthma, cancer, diabetes, falls, fitness, tobacco use, and both living and working with a disability. They promote healthy lifestyles and successful self-management of disease, to prevent or delay illness and premature death.



Halloween Safety Tips & Infographic -



The deadliest day of the year for child pedestrians is Halloween. On average, over two times as many child pedestrians die on Halloween compared to other days.

The Children's Safety Network has a [Halloween Safety infographic with safety facts and tips](#) to help children in your area have a safe and happy Halloween!

They also have a [high resolution PDF suitable for printing a poster](#).

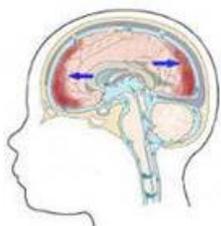
The Raising of America -

The Raising of America is a five-part documentary series that explores the questions: **Why are so many children in America faring so poorly? What are the consequences for the nation's future? How might we, as a nation, do better?** The series looks at what science tell us about the enduring importance of early life experiences on the brain and body; what it's like to be a parent today; and what policies and structures help or hinder the raising of healthy, happy and compassionate children.



The series is available on DVD and video streaming from [California Newsreel](#). The opening signature hour will be broadcast by public television stations beginning November 2015 (check local listings).

Doctors Devise A Better Way to Diagnose Shaken Baby Syndrome -



To tell whether a baby has been injured or killed by being shaken, the courts use three hallmark symptoms: bleeding and swelling in the brain, and retinal bleeding in the eyes. In recent years there have been questions as to whether those symptoms actually indicate abuse or if they are the result of undiagnosed medical conditions, falls or other accidents.

There is a promising new tool doctors can use to distinguish between head injuries resulting from abuse and those from accidents or medical conditions. It is called the **Abusive Head Trauma (PredAHT) tool, and looks at six features: retinal hemorrhage, rib and long-bone fractures, apnea, seizures, and head and neck bruising**. For more information check out the [full article](#), or the [tool validation abstract in Pediatrics](#).

FICMMR: Important Fall Dates -

❖ Tuesday, Sept. 29, 2015 (9-10 a.m.) - Conference Call

❖ Thursday, Oct. 15, 2015 – County Operational Plans & MOUs are due

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