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DAVIDSON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT RECEIVES VECTOR CONTROL GRANT

Davidson County Health Department – Environmental Health Division has been selected to participate as a mentor program in the 2020 Vector Control Collaborative Cohort, which is sponsored by The National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO). This will be the fourth cohort of the Vector Control Collaborative Program (VCC) which is supported by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

The Davidson County Health Department Vector Control Program works to control and reduce the population of mosquitoes, ticks, and fleas and to raise public awareness of vector-borne diseases such as West Nile, Eastern equine encephalitis, and Zika. The VCC program serves as an opportunity for local vector control programs to share best practices and to capitalize on strengths of other programs through peer to peer sharing.

“The program pairs vector control programs with demonstrated expertise in the fundamental capabilities of vector control and surveillance with programs looking to build their capacity to detect and respond to vector-borne disease threats.” – NACCHO

The Davidson County Health Department will serve as a mentor program with Cabarrus Health Alliance as the mentee for this cohort. In 2019, Davidson County Health Department Vector Control Program participated in the 3rd VCC Cohort as a mentee program with Forsyth County serving as the mentor.

“This program has, and continues to be, an outstanding opportunity for Davidson County Environmental Health to expand both our knowledge and resource base. The local program has benefitted greatly by this positive experience as we continue to expand local program capabilities.” – Darren Cecil, Environmental Health Director.

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