

# News Release



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## **Minnesotans can sign up to receive automatic e-mail notices when new information is published on the Minnesota Department of Health Web site**

*Free subscription service allows people to receive updates on topics ranging from health alerts to nursing home surveys*

The Minnesota Department of Health offers a new service designed to provide Minnesotans with easy, direct access to important health-related information. Visitors to the department's Web site can subscribe to receive automatic e-mail notices when new information is published within certain areas of the site. It's as simple as going to the [www.health.state.mn.us](http://www.health.state.mn.us) clicking on "eSubscribe," and following a few simple instructions.

Visitors can sign up to be notified about a range of items, including health alerts, news releases, nursing home surveys, infectious disease updates, statistical reports and summaries, and a variety of newsletters. Subscribers automatically receive an e-mail notice whenever new information is published within a topic they've chosen. Each e-mail message provides a direct link back to the new information on the Web site. Information available through this new service can be helpful to many audiences, including citizens, public health professionals, health care providers, employers, other government agencies, non-profit organizations and the news media.

"This is a great way to improve customer service and save money at the same time," said Minnesota Commissioner of Health Dianne Mandernach. "We also hope it will help our key partners and the public stay well-informed about important public health issues." Mandernach noted that MDH anticipates saving money in printing and postage costs with this new electronic communication system.

"We're adding new items to the subscription service all the time, so we encourage Minnesotans to keep checking back to see what new information may be available," Mandernach said.

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