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### **KCHD Program Manager Honored with Award from National Organization**

*Knox County, Tenn.* – The Knox County Health Department is excited to announce that Cheryl Hill, Program Manager of KCHD’s Healthy Weight division, has received the Outstanding Leadership Award from the Association of State Public Health Nutritionists through her work on the Healthy Food, Active Communities Council.

The organization recognizes individuals for their contributions to the field of public health nutrition within their respective communities. In her role as the council’s past-chair, Cheryl has worked alongside registered dietitian nutritionists from across the country to strengthen policies, programs, services, and evidence-based practices that promote healthy foods and active communities.

The organization had the following to say about Cheryl:

*“Cheryl’s network connections with other public health professionals have contributed to the many great presenters and topics shared during Council calls and webinars. She has innovative strategies, such as the redesign of our council calls to improve engagement and participation among members. In addition, she has taken on leadership roles for small workgroup projects within the council. Cheryl has been an outstanding leader for the Healthy Food, Active Communities Council.”*

Through her role at KCHD, Cheryl oversees a team of registered dietitian nutritionists, and a physical activity health educator, who address chronic disease prevention and management, breastfeeding support, food security, and childhood nutrition. Through her leadership, her team has been the recipient of the competitive Project Diabetes grant from the Tennessee Department of Health three cycles in a row, spanning nine years, allowing for continued funding to address these critical health focus areas.

#### **About Knox County Health Department:**

The first health department in Tennessee to achieve national voluntary accreditation by the Public Health Accreditation Board, the Knox County Health Department (KCHD) is dedicated to ensuring the conditions in which every resident can be healthy. For more information, visit [knoxcounty.org/health](https://knoxcounty.org/health).

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