



Connecting Children and Nature: A Health Prospective



**U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE
Wolf Creek National Fish Hatchery
50 Kendall Road
Jamestown, Kentucky 42629**

Wolf Creek National Fish Hatchery will be leading a one day conference, geared specifically towards those working in the healthcare field, to discuss the movement and importance of reconnecting children with nature, particularly in regards to health benefits. Topics will include current trends in the health of Kentucky's children, environmental health disparities, ways to partner to enhance children's health in your practice and community, especially in regards to the outdoors along with opportunities for questions and answers, tools and ideas to take back to your community and use, etc.

During the forum, the hatchery will serve as host for the following speakers:

Margaret Riggs, PhD, Epidemiologist with the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention

Amanda Patrick, Environmental Education/Outreach Specialist, Wolf Creek NFH

Tracy Aaron, Director of Health Education, Lake Cumberland District Health Department

Jenny Howard, Environmental Education Specialist, Division for Water, Kentucky Department for Environmental Protection

Roberta Burnes, Environmental Education Specialist, Division for Air Quality, Kentucky Department for Environmental Protection

Dr. Christine Weyman, Medical Director, Lake Cumberland District Health Department

Jane Eller, Executive Director, Kentucky Environmental Education Council

As the event is specifically geared towards physicians, nurse practitioners, nurses, health education professionals, etc, any and all professionals in the healthcare field are encouraged to attend!

WHEN: Thurs, February 25th, 2010
8:30am –11:30am CST

LOCATION: Wolf Creek National Fish Hatchery

****The meeting will take place in the hatchery's Visitor/Environmental Education Center auditorium**

Questions and/or Comments: For further details, please contact Environmental Education/Outreach Specialist Amanda G. Patrick at 270-343-3797 or via email at: Amanda_Patrick@fws.gov

****PLEASE RSVP your plans for attendance to Amanda by Friday, January 22nd, 2010.**