

# Consortium



"Healthy Environment, Healthy Lifestyles, Healthy Community"

# <u>August</u> + 2025



**Breastfeeding Awareness Week** 



Immunization Awareness Month
Hurricane Season still active
Back-to-School Prep



Fruit of the Month Spotlight: World Senior Citizen Day

#### **ATTENTION**

We are currently accepting submissions for our next newsletter! Please send in your submissions no later than the 15th of each month. For more information, please email: Candice.Schottenloher@flhealth.gov

AUGUST IS NATIONAL BREASTFEEDING MONTH



In the month of August, we celebrate <u>National Breastfeeding Month</u>—a time to honor families, promote the health benefits of breastfeeding and human milk feeding, and support the protection, promotion, and normalization of this important practice. This year's theme is "Forward Together" — which centers on unity, solidarity, and hope. Visit the <u>USBC website</u> for more information on weekly observances. To learn more about upcoming local events, visit <u>BreastfeedMIAMI</u>.

Here are some helpful breastfeeding tips when you're going back to work or school:

- Wake up a little earlier to breastfeed.
- Wear easy and accessible clothing.
- Express your milk 3 times daily.

**Source:** <u>Breastfeeding When You're Going</u> <u>Back to Work or School</u>

## Pediatricians recommend that babies be given only breast milk for the first 6 months of life.

Solid foods should be offered at about 6 months and breastfeeding should continue until 2 years of age or beyond as mutually desired by mother and child.

Thousands of new mothers continue to breastfeed their babies while they are working or going to school. Breastfeeding keeps you close to your baby, even when you have to be apart.



## **Immunization Awareness Month**

Before returning to school, ensure that your child is current with the recommended immunizations.

For more information about immunizations and related topics, visit the <u>Centers for Disease</u> <u>Control and Prevention (CDC)</u> to learn more.





Hurricane Season began on Sunday, June 1, 2025, and ends on Sunday, November 30, 2025. Be sure to plan and prepare ahead of time.

Check out the local Severe Weather and Emergency Readiness Guide and national Ready campaign to prepare for, respond to and mitigate emergencies and disasters.











Do you like peaches? Seems like peaches like us too! Peaches are a healthy source of vitamins for all ages. To learn more about the health benefits of peaches, please check out this article.

World Senior Citizen's Day is almost here! Here are a few resources provided by the Department of Health and Human Services for older adults:

### **Administration for Community Living**

 The Administration for Community Living promotes the well-being of older individuals by providing services and programs designed to help them live independently in their homes and communities.

### **Eldercare Locator**

 A public service connecting you to services for older adults and their families.

### **National Institute on Aging**

- The National Institute of Health on Aging helps you learn about healthy aging and common health conditions in older adults.
- To learn about what long-term care is, visit <u>LongTermCare.gov</u>.

## WORLD SENIOR CITIZEN'S DAY

August 21st of each year is celebrated as Senior Citizen's Day!
This day is intended to increase awareness of the factors and issues that affect older adults, such as aging, elder abuse, and more.
It's essential to support the wellbeing of older adults in our community!



