

What's New!

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## **August Feature Story**

#### Gangs Hurt Kids by Chris, Dewey, Chief of Police

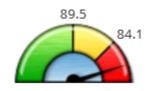


"Remember being a middle school student? Feeling awkward? Dealing with a changing body, changing emotions, changing priorities? What would you have done to feel accepted—to have a group of people who would always protect and care for you? Some kids would do just about anything. Anyone who knows (or has been) a pre-teen or young teenager knows that these years are an extremely impressionable time . . ."

View the full article here.

### Featured Indicator

#### **Kindergartener Immunizations**



Schools almost back in session, and it is time to think about getting kids ready for school. Getting kindergarteners and 7th graders immunized is key to improving public health and preparing for the classrooms. 75.4% of kindergarteners were up to date on their vaccinations in 2013, ranking Mendocino significantly below other California Counties. Learn more at <a href="HealthyMendocino.org">HealthyMendocino.org</a>.

#### **New Indicators**

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Healthy Communities Institute added two new indicators to the Healthy Mendocino website: life expectancy for males and life expectancy for females. These new Wellness & Lifestyle indicators offer a snapshot of how Mendocino County men and women fare compared to other U.S. Counties.

Find out more at the Wellness & Lifestyle topic center on HealthyMendocino.org.

## Site Changes Afoot



If you have visited the site in the last two weeks, you may have noticed that it looks a little bigger and a little bluer. Healthy Communities Institute has unveiled the new site design template!

The changes to the site architecture will give us more control locally over the look and feel of the site, as well as giving it a more user-friendly and contemporary look.

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For more information about Healthy Mendocino, or to schedule a presentation for your information, please contact the site administrator, Michelle Rich, at <a href="mailto:research@mendochildren.org">research@mendochildren.org</a>.

While the only major change now is the increase in font size, and the loss of the green headers, more changes will be happening in the future. So stay tuned as more development is under way!

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