

INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE

KATHY PHIPPS

Kathy Phipps started March 30, 1981 as the new Health Administrator. Born and raised in Oregon City, Or. Graduated from Oregon City High School in 1973. Received a Bachelor of Science degree from Portland State University in 1977. Kathy then attended the University of Oregon Health Sciences Center and received a Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene. She practiced Dental Hygiene in Newport for Dr. Bruce Richardson from 6-78 to 9-79. Kathy has a Masters Degree in Public Health Services from the University of Michigan. Kathy moved to this area from Astoria she enjoys a multitude of outdoor activities. She is 25 years old and single.

DENTAL

The Chemawa Service Unit has contracted with Oregon Dental Service so that eligible Tribal Members, living at least 25 miles away from Chemawa but within the eight county service area, may obtain routine care from a private dentist. To obtain care members should call Janet Rogers or Lorraine Hesketch at Chemawa, 1-800-452-7823. Inform them about which dentist you wish to see and they will advise the dentist as to what services are allowable. The purpose in contacting Chemawa is to assure that the dentist understands the limitations of the contract, and does not perform any services not covered. At this point in time the following services are available, 1. Initial and routine exams, 2. X-rays, 3. Preventive cleanings and fluoride treatments, 4. Simple fillings. However, the benefits are subject to change. If there are any changes IHS will notify the Tribal Members.

Remember, all services must be pre-authorized by IHS before you can receive treatment.

MEDICAL

At this time contract health services (medical services available through a private physician) are extremely limited. Only those services which are needed within 30 days or less to preserve life, limb or organ can be obtained at a hospital or doctor's office. All other services must be rendered at Chemawa. The IHS will reevaluate the monies available in June and hopefully the amount of services available will increase. This limitation, however, does not apply to dental care. There will be a notification in the Newsletter when the scope of services changes, until then stay healthy.

EMPLOYEES NEWS

Delbert Bell, Supervisor at Springfield-Eugene Office resigned on March 27. Delbert has been with the Springfield-Eugene Office for over two years.

Dan VanOttten, Programs Director at the Siletz Central Office resigned on March 9. Dan has taken a job with the Urban Indian Program in Portland.

Lisa Miller Executive Secretary at the Siletz Central Office resigned on March 27th. Lisa had been with the Central Office for almost two years.

Executive Secretary Central Office: Julie Gleason, a Tribal Member is the daughter of Willa Daugherty of Newport. Julie started April 13, 1981.

Sherri Donaldson a Karok Indian from California has taken the position of secretary. Sherri was employed by Workman's Compensation in Salem. She has three boys, and enjoys swimming, tennis, dancing, and reading.