



## World Environmental Health Day 2015 26 September

### Children are our future let's protect their Environment and Health

Children's Health & Safety and the Protection of their Environment is a highly important topic to all people in the World. The IFEH wants to highlight this and to focus on how to reduce exposure from the surrounding environment by announcing this theme for World Environmental Health Day 2015.

Children are one of the most vulnerable sections of our society. In comparison with adults they have less resistance to infection, poor diet & nutrition, chemical contaminants, air pollution from traffic as well as air pollution in general, and they are at higher risks in terms of injury from accidents at home and in regard to traffic accidents.

When preparing your contribution to WEHD in September 2015 on Children's Health & Safety and how to reduce Environmental Exposures and other Risks, you could consider the following specific topic areas or other similar and relevant topics:

- **Environmental Tobacco Smoke**
- **Poor Diet & Nutrition**
- **Chemical Contaminants (in drinking water, food, soil, perfume, play tools etc.)**
- **Communicable Disease**
- **Internal Environmental Pollutants**
- **External Environmental Pollutants (air, soil, water, waste etc)**
- **Home Safety**
- **Road Safety**

This is a deliberately broad theme as it should enable participants anywhere in the World to use their imagination to address local issues. Each IFEH member organisation is encouraged to draw up relevant national themes to focus on.

We encourage all member organisations and regional groups, academic associates and associate members to set up local initiatives and events to celebrate World Environmental Health Day.

We would specifically ask Universities to encourage and support their students in producing short videos on topics important to them.

Regarding information about planned national / regional initiatives as well as short videos we will provide opportunity for this to be displayed on the specific page on the IFEH website [www.ifeh.org/WEHD](http://www.ifeh.org/WEHD). This opportunity is open to all – regardless of membership of the IFEH. Please send information about your initiatives to IFEH PR Officer Janet Russell, email: [pro@ifeh.org](mailto:pro@ifeh.org)

We are looking forward to hear about your 2015 initiatives in order to pursue the intentions behind the World Environmental Health Day.

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