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EVERYWHERE IS CHANGE

An End of the Year Message

2017 has been a year of great change for us at the MCRHC. We have lost personnel to illness, retirements and different opportunities, while gaining new employees. We have adjusted to new requirements, challenges, victories, improved our services and explored deeper levels of environmental and public health issues all in the effort to better serve our communities.

We have been a very resilient, resourceful and dedicated shared services local health department through every up and down for these past 81 years. As the largest regional health commission in New Jersey, our first focus is to make sure that we are meeting our towns' service needs via efforts of our Commissioners, staff and public health partners. I thank everyone for their support and feedback.

We hope you will continue to stay in contact with us with your questions, comments, feedback and ideas. Public health and the health of the communities we serve rely heavily on that communication to make a difference and target community needs. This is the time to participate more in public health issues. Stay critically aware of environmental and public health advances, concerns and innovations. Even though its hard to tell by the lack of funding directed to our industry "Public Health Matters". Help us build healthier communities in regard to policy, air, water, land and the biggest resource concentration —people.

Thank you for allowing us to serve as your health department.

As we crossover the threshold to the new year,

The Warmest Wishes for Happy Holidays and the ability to positively view and embrace everything new in 2018!

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