

Heritage Public Library Wins National Library of Medicine Press Release

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(New Kent, June 1, 2020) Heritage Public Library is pleased to announce that they have won a National Library of Medicine Grant for \$15,000 for a project called “Heritage Public Library Health Outreach and Training.”

According to Adult Programming Librarian Jan Marry, who will lead this program, Heritage Public Library will offer classes open to the public on how to find and evaluate online consumer health information throughout the year. The library also hopes to partner with numerous community groups. Ms. Marry states that “Over the next year we’re excited to have the opportunity to extend our outreach to community groups and vastly expand community access to reliable online health information. We thank the National Library of Medicine for this chance and we can’t wait to get started!”

Library Director Chandra McPherson added, “We will be adding medical and health related links to our website that will tie in to programs that teach patrons how to use these resources. We will also be adding more books to our collection on health and medical topics. We hope to take this program outside of the library and into the community to boost access to reliable, accurate health information.”

The library buildings are currently closed due to COVID-19 but are offering curbside pick-up. For updates see the library’s website at <https://heritagepubliclibrary.org/> and for more information and to place items on hold, call 804-652-2450 or 804-966-2480. For free wifi in the parking lots visit the Charles City County Library at 10790 Courthouse Road, Charles City, VA 23030 and the New Kent Library at 7791 Invicta Lane, New Kent, VA 23124.