LOOK WHATS NEW:

Annual Water Sampling Fees
Our computer database is now automatically generating renewals for our annual water sampling fee. A fee of $25 has been billed to all Non-DNR TN (Transient Non Community) facilities on private wells for bacterial analysis of their water. Centralized billing will save time, both in the field and at the office. If you would like to have your water analyzed for nitrate levels also, please include an additional $15 and indicate your choice on the renewal. Sampling fees not paid by June 30th, will result in a $25 late fee. Please call our office if you have questions.

OCHD is Nationally Accredited!
Oneida County Health Department has achieved national accreditation through the Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB). The national accreditation program works to improve & protect the health of the public by advancing the quality and performance of the nation’s Tribal, State, Local, and Territorial public health departments.

Find us on the Web
www.oneidacountypublichealth.org
Located under the "Environmental Health" tab is information on drinking water, health codes, forms and applications, bed bugs, etc.

What Are Others Saying About OCHD?
“…Thanks for all your help in getting our revised licensing corrected – we would have been lost without it.” --Nancy from Rhinelander

Well…..Check it Out!
If your facility has a well, please take a moment to go outside and inspect it. Loose well caps, broken well casings, and/or missing screens in well caps can be potential sources of bacterial contamination.
1) Well casing shall be in good condition, not cracked or corroded
2) Wiring shall be enclosed in conduit from the well cap to 3’ below ground surface
3) Well cap shall be in good condition and tightly adhered to well casing

New Construction & Major Remodeling
If you are planning any major, structural remodeling or building new structures on your property, you are required to contact Oneida County Planning and Zoning at 715-369-6130. Obtaining proper permits and approvals prior to construction will prevent you from accruing fines and/or citations after the fact.
**If you are a commercial establishment (youth camp, hotel, campground, etc), you are also required to contact WI DSPS (Dept. of Safety and Professional Services) Commercial Building Inspector at 715-345-5226.

Make Your Vacation Home Safer For Renters
1) Store chemicals & cleaners out of childrens reach
2) Ensure docks are stable and safe to walk on
3) If docks are located in shallow or dark water, post No Diving signs
4) CDC recommends setting water heaters to 120°F
5) Use slip resistant scatter rugs and bath mats
6) Post local emergency numbers & your property’s fire number and street address

Stop Buggin’ Me!
As the temperatures warm up, and tourists head to the beautiful Northwoods, our local pests & rodents are looking for a nice residence also. Here are a few reminders to help ensure our places stay pest free:
1) Check screens & seal any tears, holes, or gaps.
2) Eliminate gaps around exterior doors. A mouse needs only an opening the size of a #2 pencil.
3) Seal cracks & holes on the outside of buildings.
3) Keep a clean kitchen. Cover food, wipe spills & sweep up crumbs, don't leave out pet food, cover trash cans and empty frequently.

Decks, Stairways, and Railings
Decks, stairways, and railings at licensed facilities need to meet Department of Safety and Professional Services (SPS) construction standards. Whether repairing these existing structures or building new, make sure building code requirements are met. The Oneida County Health Department can provide you with a copy of SPS 321.04 to help ensure you meet code requirements.