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New Missoulian Dr. Robin Cooper: Climate Psychiatry Alliance

"When speaking of the health impacts of climate change, I didn't want the mental health effects to be an add-on." Read more [here](#)

Upcoming: Vulnerable Populations in MT and Climate Change



We received funding from AHEC for 5 every-other-month webinars on climate and vulnerable populations in MT, starting in September. More details to come!



Held v MT

We spent the week of June 12th - 16th at the Held v. MT case - the first constitutional trial to go to trial in the U.S. There was press coverage from across the globe. MthPHC and the MT-AAP Climate Committee cheered on the plaintiffs one day of the trial and three of us provided written or

oral testimony.

Ride For Their Lives -

MT will host the second Ride for Their Lives, this time in Billings. These cycling events across the world draw attention to climate change's effect on the health of our kids. September 24, 10am. See [Billings Trailnet](#) soon for more detail and mark your calendar! Come ride with us!



Needed: Health People to testify at August MT IRP sessions

The PSC needs to hear from HCPs about the proposed Integrated Resource Plan from NW Energy that neither protects human health nor the economy nor the climate. [Better options at similar or lower costs are available.](#) Hearings are in Great Falls 8/14, Helena 8/15, Billings 8/16, Butte 8/17, Missoula 8/22 or comment online. More information [here](#)

[Read more](#)

New Documentary on Mental Health and Climate in MT

Now available for community events. One-pagers to lead community discussions are also available! This documentary, filmed in eastern Montana, showcases a novel mental health service for farmers and ranchers See the community discussion one pagers [here](#), watch the videos [here](#):

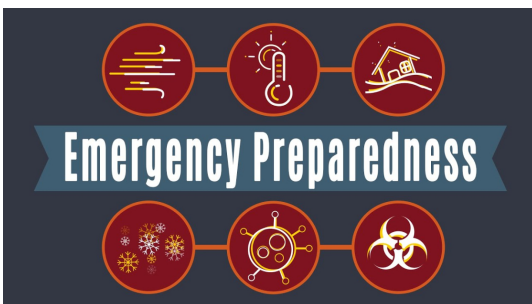


Our Banners are in Butte!

They were at the Butte-Silverbow HD in July and then go to the SW MT Community Health Center for August. They were at the Butte Folk Fest too! [Contact us](#) to get on the wait list!

New Montana Smoke Research

U.M. PhD Candidate Taylor Stewart just had her research [published](#). ***Fine particulate matter infiltration at Western Montana residences during wildfire season*** Great information! Taylor also created our [climate and health banners](#) earlier this year!



Wildfire and Heat Community Response Mock Exercise in Missoula

Drs. Hayley Blackburn and Jenn Robohm, along with AHEC, held a climate preparedness "table top" training for for students in medicine, psychology, pharmacy, and nursing June 30. Local community partners included the Deputy DES Coordinator from the Missoula County Office of Emergency Management and the Public Health Emergency Preparedness Coordinator from the Missoula City-County Health Department.

Student Corner

Check out the student chapter of MontanaHPHC at the BEAR FAIR at U.M.this fall!



Members in the News

Hundreds of media outlets covered the Held v MT case, these below specifically note the testimony of MontanaHPHC climate/health experts including

Time magazine, ABC News , US News, TruthOut

The Guardian, KULR8 TV, Daily Montanan, KGVM Community Radio, Market Beat , Citizens Tribune ,NWA Homepage, National Post, WTOP News ,CT Inside, Yahoo!, WNYT, Montana Free Press

23.07.20 MSCCH Newsletter feature story: Historic Youth-Led Climate Trial, Rob and Lori Byron

23.07.19 Climate for Health blog post: Children and Youth fighting for a Healthy Future, Drs. Lori and Rob Byron and Jen Robohm

23.07.04 Mongolia National Roundtable on Climate and Health, Dr. Rob Byron

23.07.04 Mongolian National Broadcast interview of Dr. Rob Byron:

23.07.14 climate/health floor banners on display at the Butte Folk Festival July 14-16, thanks to Dr Cathy White

23.06.30 wildfire and heat community response table top "simulation" activity, Missoula MT, organized by Drs. Hayley Blackburn and Jenn Robohm

23.06.28 WWAMI panel discussion on public health issues, talking about climate and health action in MT in Butte MT, Dr Marian Kummer.

23.06.19-23.07.05 Climate Change and Public Health field course in Mongolia organized and co-taught by Montanans Sue Higgins, Cathy Whitlock, JoRee LaFrance and Rob and Lori Byron

23.06.04 climate change and human health presentation, UU Fellowship, Billings MT, by Drs Bob and Linda Merchant

23.06.07 Co-sponsor and tabling for the Billings showing of Youth v. Gov - Anna Brewer RN, Bri Sullivan PharmD, and Lori and Rob Byron

23.06.07 Tabling during Billings Climate Week by Drs. Rob Byron and Kris Spanjian

Meaningful Actions



MT Survey! Please take!

UM PhD candidate Phoebe Bean requests that those who can fill out her [climate and mental health survey](#). Help a future MH care provider!



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*****DEADLINE August 8*****

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