

## **Free Carbon Monoxide Detectors Available to Nursing Facilities and Personal Care Homes**

The Kentucky Injury Prevention and Research Center (KIPRC), which acts on behalf of Kentucky's Department for Public Health to carry out injury prevention and safety initiatives recently received a grant to implement a new and exciting project in which **carbon monoxide (CO) detectors will be available to nursing homes and personal care homes throughout the state at no charge to the facility!**

Upon completion of a simple application process, nursing facilities and personal care homes will be provided with a free CO detector for each floor and wing of the facility. Installation instructions and guidelines for what to do if the detector's alarm sounds in response to an increase in the facility's CO level will also be provided.

KIPRC's goal is to distribute the CO detectors to facilities this fall, prior to the threat of severe winter weather and increased likelihood of power outages. Please look in the next installment of this newsletter for more information regarding this exciting initiative and details on how to apply for the free CO detectors.

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