

Date: September 28, 2016

FOR RELEASE THE WEEK OF: Immediate Release

Contact: Terry Eimen, PIO Officer (815)432-2483 <u>teimen@co.iroquois.il.us</u>



Dee Ann Schippert, Public Health Administrator, accepts the "Affiliate Award of Merit", on behalf of the Iroquois County Public Health Department, from IPHA President, Miriam Link-Mullison.

Illinois Public Health Association (IPHA) named Iroquois County Public Health Department (ICPHD) as the recipient of their <u>2016 IPHA Affiliate Award of Merit</u>. This prestigious award was received during the IPHA 75<sup>th</sup> annual conference in Springfield on September 14, 2016. The Iroquois County Public Health Department (ICPHD) was recognized for outstanding leadership, service, commitment, and dedication to public health. Dee Ann Schippert, Public Health Administrator for ICPHD, was in attendance to accept the award on behalf of ICPHD. Board of Health President, John Shure, also in attendance at the awards ceremony stated, *"I would like to extend congratulations to the Iroquois County Public Health Department staff on the receipt of this significant award. The fact that this prestigious honor was awarded to Iroquois County Public Health Department, with little more than two years of existence, is a tribute to the commitment and dedication of all ICPHD employees who have worked so hard to provide Iroquois County with needed health services."* 

Iroquois County Public Health Department would like to thank IPHA for this award and to the residents of Iroquois County for their continued support.