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World Health Day 2023

Friday, April 7, 2023 the world celebrates World Health Day. This is an opportunity to look back at public health successes and measure the improvements over the years and make plans in respect to areas requiring improvement. In 1948, countries around the world collaborated and founded the World Health Organisation which will also celebrate its 75th anniversary, to promote health, keep the world safe and serve the vulnerable – so that everyone, everywhere can attain the highest level of health and wellbeing (Excerpts from WHO website).

The Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 3 focuses on Good Health and Wellbeing – ‘Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages’, with the following targets:

- **3.1. Maternal mortality**
By 2030, reduce the global maternal mortality ratio to less than 70 per 100 000 live births.
- **3.2. Neonatal and child mortality**
By 2030, end preventable deaths of newborns and children under 5 years of age, with all countries aiming to reduce neonatal mortality to at least as low as 12 per 1000 live births and under-5 mortality to at least as low as 25 per 1000 live births.
- **3.3. Infectious diseases**
By 2030, end the epidemics of AIDS, tuberculosis, malaria and neglected tropical diseases, and combat hepatitis, waterborne diseases and other communicable diseases.
- **3.4. Non communicable diseases**
By 2030, reduce by one third premature mortality from non-communicable diseases through prevention and treatment, and promote mental health and well-being.
- **3.5. Substance abuse**
Strengthen the prevention and treatment of substance abuse, including narcotic drug abuse and harmful use of alcohol.
- **3.6. Road traffic**
By 2020, halve the number of global deaths and injuries from road traffic accidents.
- **3.7. Sexual and reproductive health**
By 2030, ensure universal access to sexual and reproductive health-care services, including for family planning, information and education, and the integration of reproductive health into national strategies and programmes.
- **3.8. Universal health coverage**
Achieve universal health coverage, including financial risk protection, access to quality essential health-care services, and access to safe, effective, quality and affordable essential medicines and vaccines for all.

- **3.9. Environmental health**

By 2030, substantially reduce the number of deaths and illnesses from hazardous chemicals and air, water and soil pollution and contamination.

This year the Anguilla Statistics Department (ASD) joins with the world in celebrating this day and highlights one aspect of health statistics collected by the office.

The ASD collects monthly production data as far back as 1999 from the Health Authority of Anguilla – Dental Services. In addition to this there is also data on other areas of health currently being worked on that will be published in the coming year. Dental infographics can be found on the Anguilla Statistics Department website - <http://statistics.gov.ai/StatisticsDept/Publications> and the Dental Infographic 2022 4th Quarter.

Today the ASD has published an article on oral health in Anguilla and a health infographic titled, 'What We Know About Our Health'. These can both be found on the Anguilla Statistics Department facebook page and its website – <http://statistics.gov.ai/>

We look forward to providing you with courteous and professional service, as we endeavor to provide “Sound Statistics for Sustainable Development”.

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