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2019 Sun Safety Policy at Breitbeck Park, Oswego NY

Rationale:

Skin cancer is the most common cancer in the United States. Exposure to ultraviolet (UV) radiation in sunlight causes nearly all skin cancer cases. The risk for skin cancer can be greatly reduced when certain precautions are practiced. Therefore, *The City of Oswego at Breitbeck Park* is committed to promoting sun safe practices to visitors and staff and will implement the following sun safety policy.

Policy:

1. The City of Oswego at Breitbeck Park will promote basic personal strategies for preventing skin cancer for visitors:
 - Wear full-body coverage clothing when outside in sunlight including four-inch full-brimmed hats, long-sleeved shirts, and full-length pants (weather permitting).
 - Use sunglasses that state they protect from 100% UVA & UVB. A UV-protective coating can be added to prescription glasses.
 - Apply full-spectrum (UVA & UVB) sunscreen (SPF 15 or greater) to exposed skin 30 minutes before going outside in the sun. Sunscreen is provided **AT NO CHARGE** at Breitbeck Park.
 - Play in shaded areas, when practical.
 - Seek shade when outside in the sun. Breitbeck Park offers a shaded pavilion and planted trees.
2. The City of Oswego at Breitbeck Park will make sunscreen accessible by providing sunscreen to visitors to encourage them to practice sun safety while participating in outdoor recreation activities.
3. The City of Oswego at Breitbeck Park will make shade available for visitors under the covered pavilion and through planted trees on walking paths.
4. Visitors will be encouraged and reminded to practice basic personal strategies for preventing skin cancer through on-site communications (ex: verbal reminders, signage, brochures, etc.) at strategic locations.

Policy Monitoring and Review:

The City of Oswego at Breitbeck Park will evaluate and revise this policy on an annual basis.

Contact Regarding Policy:

Contact the City of Oswego Department of Public Works 315-343-5055 with questions or concerns about the policy.

Date Policy Adopted: October 1, 2019

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