

# RECOMMENDED STRATEGIES TO PROMOTE SUN SAFETY AT YOUR SUMMER CAMP



## **Promote Professional Development Activities**

- Modify staff training curriculum and orientation materials to include information related to sun protection



## **Encourage Family Involvement**

- Include NYSDOH brochures and fact sheets on sun protection with camp information sent to parents
- Encourage parents to provide campers with sun-protective clothing, sunglasses and sunscreen



## **Create a Supportive Environment for Sun Safety**

- Encourage the use of shaded areas and structures
- Encourage staff to be role models for sun-safe behaviors
- Prominently display sun safety posters featuring children's artwork in areas where campers and staff congregate
- Prominently display ultraviolet (UV) index rating daily



## **Educate Campers on Sun Safety**

- Incorporate age-appropriate activities into nature, science, art, sports, waterfront and other camp activities



## **Establish Policies and Practices that Promote Sun Safety**

- Modify inventory lists sent to campers' parents to include sun protective clothing, sunscreen and sunglasses
- Incorporate a sun protection plan into NYSDOH-mandated camp safety plans
- Sell sun protective items in the camp store



## **Encourage Involvement of Health Services Staff**

- Reinforce children's sun-protective behaviors
- Prominently display posters about sun safety in areas where campers and staff gather