



**Westport Weston  
Health District**

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### **WWHD Announces Name Change**

Mark Cooper, Director of Health for the Westport Weston Health District, announced today that the Board of Directors voted on September 13, 2021 to rename the Health District. Effective January 1, 2022, the agency will be known as the Aspetuck Health District. Easton formally joined the Health District on July 1<sup>st</sup>, creating the need to be more inclusive and rebrand.

Mr. Cooper notes that the name change brings the Health District back to its roots. The Aspetuck Valley Health District was created in 1965 under Chapter 368f of the Connecticut General Statutes by the vote of the legislative bodies of Westport and Weston who had a long history of working together to better the public health in their communities. It was the first Health District created and recognized in the State of Connecticut. Creation of the District transferred upon the Health District's Board of Directors all the public health authority that had been previously conferred upon each municipality.

The Health District operated as the Aspetuck Valley Health District until January 1, 1983, when the Board of Directors changed the name to the Westport Weston Health District for the purposes of easier identification as to who the District served.

Over the next few months, the Health District will complete the necessary steps of notifying the State of Connecticut, updating account names, the website, and other tasks.

For more information on the Health District's programs and services, visit the Health District's Web site at [www.wwhd.org](http://www.wwhd.org).