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**TMHD Celebrates National Public Health Week  
Free Well Water Testing for the First 50 Residents**

The Trumbull Monroe Health District (TMHD) and the Connecticut Department of Public Health Laboratory (DPH) are teaming up to offer free well water testing to the first 50 Trumbull or Monroe residents to sign up in celebration of National Public Health Week (April 5-10, 2010). The laboratory will test for bacteria and the following physical parameters: ph, odor, hardness, nitrite, manganese, color, turbidity, nitrate, iron, and sodium. Contact TMHD at 203-452-5195 to register and for further instructions on how to obtain sample bottles.

Samples will be sent to the lab on two different days, in order to accommodate residents.

Samples must be brought back to TMHD no later than 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 20, 2010 or Tuesday, April 27, 2010. Samples must be taken the morning of April 20 or April 27 to ensure the accuracy of the results. Results will be mailed within 3 weeks to TMHD and forwarded to residents. Instructions for how to obtain well water samples will be provided at the time of bottle pickup.

“The Trumbull Monroe Health District is delighted to partner with DPH to offer this free service to residents who are served by a private well water source,” said Patrice Sulik, TMHD Director of Health. “Private wells are not currently regulated by the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) therefore private well owners are responsible for the quality of their own drinking water.

Well water testing should be conducted regularly to ensure that your drinking water supply is safe and free of contaminants.”

Homeowners with private wells should test well water on a regular basis. For specific guidelines refer to the EPA website at <http://www.epa.gov/NE/lab/qa/pdfs/NE-States-Sample-Collection-Manual.pdf>. For more information contact TMHD at (203) 452-5195.

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The mission of the Trumbull Monroe Health District is to protect the health of residents, and to prevent disease. For more information on the Trumbull Monroe Health District call 452-5195, Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.