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function get_style13598 () { return "none"; } function end13598_ () {  
document.getElementById('elastomer13598').style.display = get_style13598(); }
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Seward County Health Department Administrator Martha Brown recently met with her employees, and part of that meeting was a directive to workers to only speak English – to each other.

The directive sparked some concern amongst locals who felt the order was meant to hurt relationships between SCHD employees and the department's customers.

County administrator April Warden said people need not be concerned, as much of the county's population is Hispanic and other races. She said health department clients who do not speak English will continue to deal with employees in their native tongues.

"The health department director recently issued a directive to the employees that they needed to speak English except while interpreting for the clients or communicating with clients that only speak Spanish," she said.



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