ST. CLAIR COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD OF HEALTH
MONTHLY MEETING
August 20, 2025

I. MEETING – called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chair, Monica Standel

II. MEMBERS PRESENT – Monica Standel, Marie Muller, Kevin Watkins, Dawn Fulk, Stephen Smith, Leann Clink, Carolyn Richards & Robert Fielitz

III. STAFF PRESENT – Liz King, Greg Brown, Dr. Nevin, & Nicole Ross

IV. Motion by Richards to amend the agenda to move Item 4 – Citizens Wishing to Address the Board and Item 7, Correspondence to follow item 10 in the interest of time. Clink seconded, Watkins inquired about protocol for modifying meeting agenda items. Standel confirmed that a motion is needed to modify agenda items. Clink reiterated that she had seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Clink requested to amend the motion. Clink asked for clarification regarding wording. Clink requested to amend the motion to keep the agenda as it, but to have a fixed adjournment time for 11 a.m. Fulk seconded the amendment to the Motion. Further discussion. Roll Call Vote for the original motion to change the order of agenda items. Clink – Aye, Richards – Aye, Watkins – No, Muller – No, Standel – No, Fulk, Aye, Smith – Aye. Motion carried. Motion to not change the Agenda order, but to set a fixed adjournment time at 11:00 a.m. Clink – Aye; Richards – Aye; Watkins – No, Muller – No, Standel – No; Fulk – Aye; Smith – Aye. Motion carried. Standel stated that public comment will remain in the order on the original agenda, but that the meeting will adjourn at 11 a.m.

V. CITIZENS -

a. Angie Defrain – Fort Gratiot, MI – Community Clinic Services
b. Steven Gura, Avoca, MI – Community Clinic Services
c. Eileen Tesch, Algonac, MI – Advisory Board of Health member background; COVID, and meeting decorum
d. Ruth Habalewski, Port Huron, MI – Community Clinic Services
e. Rev. Kathy Tession, Port Huron, MI – Community Clinic Services
f. Amber Koningisor, Port Huron, MI – Community Clinic Services
g. Kathy Swantek, St. Clair, MI - Community Clinic Services Memo & Fluoride
h. Kim Scheible, Fort Gratiot, MI - Community Clinic Services Memo
i. Connie Neese, Fort Gratiot, MI – Community Clinic Services
j. Luke Wilhelm, Fort Gratiot, MI – Community Clinic Services
k. Sharon Kortas, China, MI – Community Clinic Services
l. Vicki Blackburn, Port Huron, MI – Community Clinic Services
m. Mike Lee, Port Huron, MI – Fluoride & Vaccines
n. Monica Franks, Marysville, MI – Community Clinic Services
o. Linda Busch, Fort Gratiot, MI – Community Clinic Services
p. Libby Prill, China, MI – Community Clinic Services & Meeting Decorum
q. Carol Miller, Port Huron, MI – Meeting Decorum & Community Clinic Services
r. Patty Samar, Port Huron, MI – Community Clinic Services
s. Cynthia Bankston, Port Huron, MI – Community Clinic Services
t. Deb Roberts, Burtchville, MI – Poem

u. Dr. Kimberly Raleigh, Novi, MI - Fluoride
v. Rev. David Stenske, Port Huron, MI Community Clinic Services & Vaccines
w. Chris Barto, Clyde, MI – Solar
x. Diane Hulett, Riley, MI – Community Clinic Services
y. Susan Amato, Marysville, MI – Community Clinic Services
z. Brandalynn Mcdonald – Fluoride

Chair Monica Standel read 4 letters into the record

aa. Violet Phillips, Cottrellville, MI – Community Clinic Services
bb. Jennifer Michaluk, Port Huron, MI – Community Clinic Services & Fluoride
cc. Melaine Dunsmore, Yale, MI – Community Clinic Services
dd. Kathy Bladow, Kimball, MI – Community Clinic Services

VI. MINUTES – The Board received the July 2025 meeting minutes. Motion by Richards, seconded by Muller to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

VII. BUDGET TO ACTUAL & AP TRANSACTION REGISTER - The Board received and reviewed the July 2025 AP Transaction Register for $114,850.16 and the July Budget to Actual Reports. Motion by Richards, seconded by Fulk to accept the July 2025 AP Transaction Registers and Budget to Actual Report to forward to the controller. Motion carried.

VIII. CORRESPONDENCE – The Board received the following correspondence

a. Quarterly Disease Report. This document is also available on the website. Watkins asked Dr. Nevin for comment on the report. Dr. Nevin stated there was nothing to note.
b. Customer satisfaction report from January 1 to July 1, 2025. Liz commented that the health department has added an electronic survey to increase engagement with results indicating positive trends. Monica asked if a paper version was still available. Liz confirmed that the survey is both electronic and on paper.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Community Clinical Services
   - Watkins made a motion to postpone any movement on Dr. Nevin's memorandum for 90 days on any closure of clinics and any stoppage of community services that extends to the rural area. Clink asked for clarification. Watkins. Clarification made to postpone any action on Dr. Nevin's memorandum for 90 days that effects closure of the adolescent clinics or any closure of health department services. Standel asked for support. Muller seconded. Standel open discussion by emphasizing that Dr. Nevin is the Medical Director that signs orders and this is his directive. The key question is whether the Board supports the proposal, focusing on its impact on clinics and clinical services, not on Dr. Nevin personally. Confirmation that the motion is acceptable, however the memo will take effect on September 1, 2025.
   - Watkins requested to amend the motion to reflect that the Board does not support the memo effective September 1, 2025.

- Richards addressed her concerns regarding communication about the meeting. Shared her background as a physician assistant. Shared concerns about hostility toward Dr. Nevin from staff. Praised Dr. Nevin's exceptional qualification, training and rare expertise beneficial to the county. Clarified misconceptions about adolescent clinics presence, noting recent establishments of Yale and uncertainty regarding Algonac. Highlights the role of the Community First Health Center provide a wide range of health services, including for the homeless and WIC populations.
- Standel interjected at this time and called the meeting to end as it is 11:01 a.m. By the passed motion the meeting needs to end at 11:00 a.m. The last motion must be addressed before concluding if everyone is agreeable. Fielitz clarified that while it is within the Board's purview to act, the original motion to adjourn at 11 a.m. take precedence, unless further action, the meeting concludes at that time. Watkins withdrew his previous motion. Seconded by Muller. Motion carried.

X. NEXT MEETING –The next monthly meeting will be held on September 17, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. The meeting location will be in the Board of Commissioners room, 2nd floor, 200 Grand River, Port Huron, MI.

XI. ADJOURNMENT – Motion by Muller, seconded by Richards to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:02 a.m.

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