

ST. CLAIR COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD OF HEALTH
MONTHLY MEETING
November 19, 2025

- 1) MEETING – called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chair, Monica Standel
- 2) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 3) MEMBERS PRESENT – Monica Standel, Marie Muller, Kevin Watkins, Dawn Fulk, Stephen Smith, Leann Clink, Carolyn Richards & Dave Rushing
STAFF PRESENT – Liz King, Dr. Nevin and T. Berger
- 4) Motion by Richards to amend the agenda to add Dr. Nevin's Sept. 18, 2025 memorandum to the agenda under unfinished business for support and to add the Health Officer review under New Business. Seconded by Clink. Motion carried 6 Aye; 1 Nye (Watkins – No).
- 5) CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD-
 - i) Andrew Eberly – Columbus, Twp. - School of Choice and Vaccine waiver
 - ii) Amiee Nelson – St Clair - Vaccine choice
 - iii) Carrie Balmer - Clyde Twp. – Teen Health clinic – Port Huron
 - iv) Melanie Dunsmore – Yale – Health Officer and Health Department support
 - v) Diane Hulett – Riley Twp. - Dr. Nevin Support and clinic closure support.
 - vi) Virginia Coury – Underserved population and overdose death
 - vii) Fred Fuller – Yale - Support for Yale Clinic
 - viii) Randi McCracken – Kimball – Ashera Vale - Wellness based construction model
 - ix) Eileen Tesch – Algonac – PHASD survey and curriculum changes at Michigan Department of Education regarding gender identity and sexual orientation.
- 6) MINUTES – The Board received the October 15, 2025 meeting minutes. Motion by Watkins, seconded by Clink, to approve the October minutes. Motion carried unanimously.
- 7) BUDGET TO ACTUAL & AP TRANSACTION REGISTER - The Board received and reviewed the October 2025 AP Transaction Register for \$328,791.25 and the October Budget to Actual Reports. Motion by Clink, seconded by Watkins to accept October 2025 AP Transaction Register and Budget to Actual Report forwarded to the controller. Motion carried unanimously.
- 8) CORRESPONDENCE – The Board received the following correspondence:
 - i) Email to E. King and the Advisory Board of Health from Dr. George Carley. Watkins asked that Liz read the email out loud. Liz read the email. Dr. Carley has withdrawn his interest in the Yale Clinic oversight. Liz commented that at this time it is recommended that the clinic funding for the 2025-2026 FY be declined due to lack of viable local solutions and time frame limits by MDHHS.

9) UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- i) At this time Dr. Nevin read his September 18, 2025 memo regarding primary care into the record. Moved by Richards, supported by Fulk. to support Dr. Nevin's September 18th memorandum regarding primary care services. Discussion followed. Roll call: Leann Clink – Yes; Dawn Fulk – Yes; Marie Muller – No; Steve Smith – Yes; Monica Standel – No; Kevin Watkins – No. Motion carried 4 Ayes; 3 Nye.

10) NEW BUSINESS

a) Dr. Nevin Update

- i) Memorandum regarding fluoride supplements provided by prescription. Dr. Nevin would like to distribute to all local dental providers. Motion by Fulk to support the November 19, 2025 memorandum regarding fluoride supplements. Clink seconded but also asked to include a news release. Dawn amended her motion to include a news release. Motion carried 6 Ayes; 1 Nye (Watkins – No).
- ii) Memorandum regarding draft memo on immunization exemption certificate. Dr. Nevin discuss Mr. Everly statements concerning Armada School District. Dr. Nevin read his statement made at an Armada School Board meeting. Dr. Nevin is asking that the Board support him sending a confidential letter to the school principal and an approval of a template to be used in similar situations regarding vaccine exemption. Discussion followed. Standel stated she was not comfortable supporting a letter that she would not be able to review. Rushing commented that he would like to see a letter from the health officer indicating that no discussion was held with Armada School District. Motion by Richards, seconded by Fulk to support Dr. Nevin drafting a confidential letter to the principal at Armada School District concerning medical and ethical exemption. Motion carried. Discussion regarding the development of a template followed. When asked, Liz expressed concern over potential liability and will seek legal review. Leann Clink motioned to table approval of a template for similar situations under Rule 12 pending legal review. Seconded by Richards. Motion tabled.
- iii) Memorandum dated July 23, 2025 regarding Conflicting Federal and State Guidance Regarding Vaccine Information Statements. Dr. Nevin discussed. Stated he has provided this information to U.S. Rep. Lisa McClain. Also stated he has a scheduled call tomorrow with high-ranking official at the CDC tomorrow.

b) Health Officer Update

- i) Environmental Health Type III audit by EGLE was successful meeting 41 out of 41 indicators.
- ii) The Vector-Borne Disease Surveillance and Prevention program completed all MDHHS requirements for the 2025 monitoring season
- iii) In Nursing a QI Project: Charts Reviewed September 2025
 - (1) Accuracy of completion for charts reviewed: 92.4%
 - (2) Area that requires most improvement: Demographics
- iv) Walk in Wednesday clinics saw 300 clients. Walk-in clinics are popular in providing service.

- v) Open house at Teen Health on December 15th from 1pm to 6 pm. Renovations previously approved by the BOC have been completed. Liz encourages Board members and public to stop in.
- vi) The EOC was partially active during the government shutdown when SNAP benefits were paused. Participation by local groups. The health department contributed with PIO support.
- vii) Environment Health Fee Increase – Steve Demick presented to the Board information on the proposed 5% fee increase with continued increased base on CPI. The proposed increase should increase revenue by \$23,000. Motion for support by Richards, seconded by Watkins. Motion carried unanimously.
- viii) Smiles on Wheels Presentation – Amy Bishop – This program fulfills MDHHS requirement that each child has an oral assessment prior to entering Kindergarten or 1st grade (KOHA). KOHA does require the service be provided by a dental professional, require specific training, documentation and reporting. KOHA does not require participation. It is voluntary and the assessment can be sought at a private dentist. KOHA also does not provide a comprehensive dental exam or cleaning, does not replace regular dental check ups, provide any treatment (cleanings, sealant or fluoride), does not bill insurance and does not exclude children from school if the assessment is not completed. Amy reviewed what options were considered in the planning stage, and the Smiles on Wheels process. During it's first year the service screened 437 students, found 95 with untreated decay, referred 116 for treatment and 12 for urgent treatment. Mr. Rushing brought concerns that the service was not set up as an opt-in, but rather as an opt out. L. Clink asked they had thought about working with such program with head start. Standel made a motion to support, seconded by Watkins. Richards moved to approve with an opt-in option. Seconded by Fulk. Nevin discussed the legislation wording regarding opt out. Standel commented. Roll call vote on Motion to approve with opt in. Clink – Yes; Fulk – Yes; Muller – No; Richards – Yes, Smith- Yes; Standel – No, Watkins – No. Motion carried 4 Aye; 3 Nye.
- ix) The Medical Examiner report will be tabled until next month.
- x) Health Officer Evaluation – The Board discussed language in the Health Officer's contract. Standel provided a brief history on the prior Board's decision on the subject. Standel recommended that a goal setting session be held first. Asked Liz about contract term date. Noted that the contract renewed in July 2025 with July as anniversary date. Liz discussed completion of self-evaluation. Monica suggested a small group be assembled to work on goals and then evaluation process.

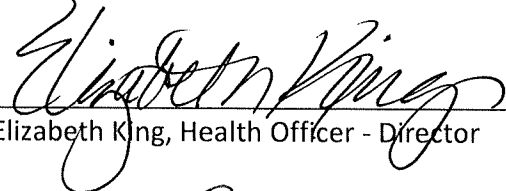
11) ITEMS FROM MEMBERS

- i) Fulk questioned on September 18th memo. Dr. Nevin commented on Yale and discussed the Great Lakes Bay Federally Qualified Health Center located in Imlay City. Further discussion followed.
- ii) Watkins commented on vaccine hesitancy, Tylenol, handwashing and maintaining diversity of the Advisory Board of Health.
- iii) Standel asked about the EGLE meeting on PFAs in October. The EH director commented that the hearing went well. EGLE is still looking for a source.

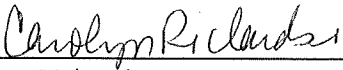
12) NEXT MEETING –The next monthly meeting will be held on December 17, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

13) ADJOURNMENT – Motion by Richards, seconded by Fulk to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 12:51 p.m.

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