

ST. CLAIR COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD OF HEALTH
MONTHLY MEETING
May 20, 2026

- I. MEETING – called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chair, Monica Standel.
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. MEMBERS PRESENT – Monica Standel, Paul Urben, Dawn Fulk, Joseph Hayes, Leann Clink, Carolyn Richards, Stephen Smith & Dave Rushing
MEMBERS ABSENT - None.
- IV. STAFF PRESENT – Liz King, Greg Brown, Dr. Nevin and T. Berger
- V. CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD –
 - a. Dawn Davey – Algonac – Community Services Coordinating Body
 - b. Carol Miller – Port Huron – Health Department
 - c. Anthony Ferriell – St. Clair Twp. - Dr. Nevin
 - d. Rachael Bonelli – St. Clair - Community Services Coordinating Body Community Resource Fair
 - e. Vicki Blackburn - Port Huron – ABOH packet availability, Health Department
- VI. MINUTES – The Board received the April 2026 meeting minutes. Motion by Urban, seconded by Richards to approve the minutes. Motion carried.
- VII. CORRESPONDENCE – None
- VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - a. Teen Health – Liz discussed updates from Community Frist regarding the transfer of Teen Health. The target date is August 1st, with an extension thru September 30th if needed. Logistics was discussed. Conversations with the State on our grant funding will be wrapped up between by August 31st with an extension up to September 30th if necessary.
 - b. Civics Plus – Kris Morris presented a template for what the Advisory Board of Health will look like within Civics Plus. It is anticipated to have the next Board meeting fully electronic. Minutes will also be compiled within the software.
 - c. Fluoride Regulation Next Steps
Time Frame discussed. Public notice and hearing date needs selection, ABOH members had no preference for hearing date.
 - d. Moak Street Project – Liz asked if the Advisory Board was providing a letter of support in reference to the Motion, they made at the last meeting regarding the presentation made by Tray Smith. Discussion followed. A draft will be prepared on the Board's behalf and sent to the Board for signature.

- e. Contracts – Tom Hull provided an update on the employment contracts of the Medical Director, Health Officer and Medical Director\Health Officer combined position. This is anticipated to be on the BOC's June agenda.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

a. MEDICAL DIRECTOR UPDATE – Dr. Remington Nevin

- Andes Hantavirus Update – Discussed the guidance that the CDC issued. Staff were directed not to emphasize hantavirus information at this time, citing the absence of any known local nexus, the adequacy of existing state and federal guidance, and the need to remain sensitive to potential local perceptions of such emphasis. Primarily this is an airborne virus and low risk.
- Vaccine Exemption Study – Discussed the scientific study as outlined to determine, among children whose parents completed an in-person education encounter at the St. Clair County Health Department and received a certified non-medical exemption during January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2023, the proportion who subsequently received the state-required immunizations specified in Mich. Admin. Code R. 325.176(8)–(9) at 12 months and 24 months following the in-person encounter, and as of the most recent MCIR record available.
- Harm Reduction direction – Staff email and proposal shared with the Board. Dr. Nevin discussed his reasoning behind his denial. Clink asked about the harm reduction dollars. Liz explained the funding. Clink asked about any Statewide initiatives in spending the funding or if this was the only proposal brought forth. Clink asked about using for vaping cessation resources. Discussion followed. Richards stated she supports education. Standel indicated that she like the proposal and could see unintended benefits of the proposal.
- 20260513 Memorandum – Proposed Reform of CHNA and CHIP Process – Dr. Nevin discussed his proposal for ending the historical formal process of CHNA and CHIP. Discussion followed. Brandon was asked to provide information. Options discussed. Clink made a Motion to not commission a CHNA or CHIP with an outside agency & proceed through negotiations in house for a hybrid model to obtain needed public health needs priorities for St. Clair County, Seconded by Standel. Dr. Nevin interjected and asked for clarification what does member suggest constitutes these negotiations. Lengthy discussions followed. Urban called for point of order on the Motion on the table. Clink repeated Motion to not commission a CHNA or CHIP with an outside agency and proceed through negotiations or discussions for hybrid models to obtain needed public health needs priorities for St. Clair County. Urban asked if the Motion needed to include the Board, Health Officer and Medical Director. Clink responded that it could be included for negotiations. Clink accepted that modification. Urban moved to amend the Motion. Seconded by Richards to Add the Board, Health Officer and Medical Director. Chair called for vote on the original Motion. 7 Ayes, 0 Nyes. Motion carried. Chair called for vote on the amended Motion to not commission a CHNA or CHIP with an outside

agency and proceed through negotiations or discussions with the Board, Health Officer and Medical Director for hybrid models to obtain needed public health needs priorities for St. Clair County. Chair called for vote: 7 Ayes, 0 Nyes. Motion carried.

Richards Motion that the Medical Director attend all meetings and finish up CHIP through the end as recommend in the 20260513 Memorandum. Standel commented that this Board cannot direct the Medical Director pursuant to his contract and that his attendance was acceptable at the CSCB & CHIP meetings as they are open meetings. Dr. Nevin responded and provided the Board with Motion language as follows: Motion to communicate to the outside agencies that Dr. Nevin has the support of the Advisory Board in his role to attend CSCB meetings. Richards Motion to communicate to these organization that the Board would like the Medical Director to be included in community meetings on the Advisory Board behalf. Dr. Nevin interjected that he would welcome a Motion to recommend that the Medical Director and potentially 1 or 2 members on the Advisory Board to attend future meeting of CSCB, all CSCB subgroups and remaining meeting of the CHIP in order to ensure that groups have the opportunity to communicate directly with me (Nevin) and through me to the Board, their concerns as we continue in this process internally into the future. Richards: "I would accept that as our Motion". Seconded by Fulk. Standel commented on the actual need for the Motion. Chair called for vote: 6 Ayes; 1 Nyes (Standel). Motion carried.

b. HEALTH OFFICER UPDATE – Liz King

- Discussed WIC Management Evaluation scheduled in June. Liz will share the required indications with the Board.
- Accreditation – Cycle 9 is set for the week of November 16th. King described the expected process
- Looking closely at recruitment and retention over the past 2 years.
- Proposed sharing the proposed Budget for FY 27 with the Board in July.
- Proposed June meeting discussion of the Kindergarten Oral Health Assessment current contract with Smiles on Wheels and discussion about other options.
- King asked if the Board had any questions. Standel asked about how the sites of the tick/mosquito monitoring were selected. Discussion followed.
- Client feedback survey was submitted to the Board.

X. ITEMS FROM MEMBERS –

- None.

XI. NEXT MEETING - The next monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 17, 2026

XII. ADJOURNMENT – Motion by Richards, seconded Clink to adjourn. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 11:13 a.m.

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