

ST. CLAIR COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD OF HEALTH
MONTHLY MEETING
September 20, 2023

- I. MEETING – called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chair, John Jones.
- II. MEMBERS PRESENT –John Jones, Monica Standel, Marie Muller, Steven Gura, Kenneth Heuvelman, & Dawn Fulk
MEMBERS ABSENT – Kevin Watkins and Lisa Beedon
- III. STAFF PRESENT – Elizabeth King, Greg Brown and Tammie Berger
- IV. CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD – None
- V. MINUTES – The Board received the August 2023 meeting minutes. Motion by Muller, seconded by Gura to approve the minutes. Motion carried.
- VI. BUDGET TO ACTUAL & AP TRANSACTION REGISTER - The Board received and reviewed the August Budget to Actual Report and the August 2023 AP Transaction Register in the amount of \$82,293.21. Motion by Standel, seconded by Heuvelman to accept the August Budget to Actual Report and the AP Transaction Register. Motion carried.
- VII. CORRESPONDENCE – The Board received the following correspondence:
 - a. Letter of support for Flint Odyssey House (Port Huron) for CDC Foundation grant.
- VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
- IX. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. HEALTH OFFICER UPDATE – E. KING
 - i. CHIP Snapshot – The Board received a copy of the CHIP Snapshot document <https://healthyscc.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/CHIP-Snapshot-FINAL-FOR-PRINT-7.pdf>. Quarterly meeting with the stakeholder group are ongoing. There was not a good response from the Stakeholder group to the survey that was sent out regarding their activities.
 - ii. Our data division has compiled a draft ME Annual report. It is currently being reviewed by the ME staff.
 - iii. We are currently offering the flu vaccine at our walk-in clinics on Monday and Wednesday or by appointment on the other days of the week.
 - iv. The covid vaccine recently approved is a monovalent (1 strain) reported to closely match what is currently circulating. At this time there is no set date for receiving the vaccine, which is now available on the commercial market (like the flu vaccine) and will need to be purchased. There will be small reserve of vaccine available free of charge for those uninsured or underinsured. Steve G. asked about the new RSV vaccine documentation. Liz notes that she will check with staff to see if it is available to share with him.

- v. Accreditation – Staff have participated in mock accreditation with State staff and appear to be well prepared for our accreditation the last week of October.
- vi. Qualtrics – Work on this project continues to develop an electronic referral system for those seeking substance abuse treatment.
- vii. Billboard – Liz shared with the Board the billboard image that is going up to promote safe storage of medical marijuana. There will be a limited number of storage boxes available through this grant funding.
- viii. Dr. Nevin’s onboarding continues to go well. All medical licensing is active.
- ix. Liz recently attended a health officer retreat with colleagues across the State. Other admin team members also have recently attended various conferences.
- x. The PHI coordinator received a CIC scholarship opportunity through the CDC for local health department staff. She recently passed the examination and obtained certified infection control status. Two other health department staff have also received scholarships and are pursuing their Masters in Public Health.
- xi. The Strategic Plan is moving into the final draft process and the Board should receive a copy in November.
- xii. Through a scoring process an architect firm was chosen by the selection committee. That recommendation was presented to the BOC at committee and will be on the BOC full board agenda tomorrow night.
- xiii. Algonac & Yale CAHC is moving along. The PH Supervisor has presented at both school boards, and parent and student group meetings. After the opening of the clinics an open house will be scheduled at each site.
- xiv. The Board was provided a sampling of client survey results. This will be a on going process so the Board will be updated twice a year.
- xv. A flyer for the Well Assessed Projected sponsored by MDHHS and EGLE was shared with the Board. The state had 5 Mil to provide water testing for residents at no cost. They were overwhelmed by requests and within a week the free sampling was no longer available.
- xvi. Eat Safe Fish Guide – This updated guide was released by the State who called the EH Director to inform him that three new sites were added to St. Clair County. The new areas of concern are the Black River, Fort Gratiot Nature Preserve Pond and the Howe Drain. <https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/safety-injury-prev/environmental-health/topics/eatsafefish/guides>
- xvii. Septic Code Update – Liz gave the following update concerning a draft septic code bill yet to be introduced. Steve at his recent State meeting provided feedback to the State along with several other EH directors from around the State. Steve advised that after this meeting there seems to be some roll back of the bill and feels that there is a 50/50 chance of it getting introduced as is.
- xviii. The 4th and final installment of “We are Public Health” video was released.
- xix. WIC – The WIC clinic is now back to in-person visits. The no show rate for the previous month was lower (23%) an improvement from earlier this year.

X. ITEMS FROM MEMBERS

- a. Ken H. reported on recent finding in lab reports from Odyssey House clients that there is now horse tranquilizer (Xylazine) showing up in their blood work. He would recommend area hospitals add that to their testing panel.

- b. Monica S. commented on an item in the admin report noting that after the closing of Bluewater OB/GYN that there is now only one OB/GYN in the entire county. Liz commented that this will create a barrier for MIHP clients. Ken H. commented that it will also create barriers in his client population as well.
- c. Steve G. shared information relative to the 3rd CHIP Priority Area – Obesity & Associated Health Behaviors noting that the SC4 Field House has an indoor track open to the public (free for use). The exception that it would not be available when events are occurring.
- d. Ken H. discussed the Recovery Summit virtual town hall that was recently hosted in which both he and Liz spoke as part of a panel. The summit can be viewed on the CSCB Facebook page. <https://www.facebook.com/SCCCSCB/videos/1286665881976189/>

- XI. NEXT MEETING - The next monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 18, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. in the North Conference Room.
- XII. ADJOURNMENT – Motion by Stadel, seconded by Heuvelman to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:24 a.m.

Prepared and submitted by:



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John Jones, Chairperson



Steve Gura, Secretary

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