

November 2024

Points of Interest...

- Preventive Health & Immunizations and Outreach staff attended the 2nd Annual American Legion event in St. Clair on 11/08. Immunizations and education geared towards older adults and linkages community resources were offered.
- Various presentations were provided across the county by Teen Health/School Based Clinic nursing staff including vaping and marijuana education in schools; basic first aid for a local Girl Scout troop; and information on clinical services provided to students living in the SC4 dorms.
- The Environmental Health Division's Private and Type III (P3) Water Supply Program was recently audited by EGLE for compliance with established minimum program requirements. The evaluation consisted of both field and in-office components. All minimum program requirements were met including 41 out of 41 indicators. The report commended the P3 program staff for their knowledge and strong field presence.
- The Planning, Promotion and Evaluation Division's Data team has completed Michigan Profile for Healthy Youth (MiPHY) data reports requested by multiple school districts who participated in the last survey. Presentations on the county-level data are being developed and will be used to help raise awareness on the health-related needs of our youth.
- The Communicable Disease team has been busy working on investigations for vaccine preventable diseases. An increase in Pertussis and Varicella have been seen over the last month. Healthcare providers offices have received information and awareness messages have been occurring on SCCHD social media pages to help raise community awareness.
- The *Great American Smokeout* takes place on the third Thursday of every November. Raising awareness on cessation resources is included as a strategy in the substance use priority area of the [St. Clair County Community Health Improvement Plan](#) (CHIP). For help with quitting any type of tobacco product, the Michigan Tobacco Quitlink is available. Call 1-800-QUIT-NOW (784-8669) or visit <https://michigan.quitlogix.org/en-us/>.
- The Environmental Health Division's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) program has purchased an Enviroscape Nonpoint Source Watershed Model for onsite school programs. Multiple environmental health hands-on learning experiences are also offered at no cost to schools within the county. Programming promotes environmental education and focuses on stormwater and the local watershed. To learn more call (810) 987-5300 ext. 1486.
- The Maternal Infant Health Program (MIHP) is hosting a Diaper Drive through 1/15/25. Donations go to eligible MIHP participants and will help families in need. New packages of baby diapers (all sizes), baby wipes, rash creams, or baby hygiene items are accepted. Drop off donations (during regular business) at the St. Clair County Health Department. Monetary donations are also accepted via PayPal <https://www.paypal.com/paypalme/scclmre>. Call (810) 987-4903 for details.