

APRIL 2023

Points of Interest...

- In March, the Outreach team attended four (4) community events resulting in 929 face-to-face interactions. During this time, the following was provided to the community: 37 Medicaid referrals (assisting individuals with finding a doctor or specialist within their insurance network); 124 community referrals (including food, clothing, shelter, and legal aid); and 14 Medicaid insurance applications (providing comprehensive health care services to low income adults and children).
- The Environmental Health division will again participate in a vector-borne disease surveillance and prevention program this summer. Grant funding will support a weekly mosquito surveillance system geared towards identifying populations of the invasive *Aedes* species that is capable of transmitting emerging arboviruses. In addition, Environmental Health will be conducting periodic tick drags for the blacklegged species capable of transmitting Lyme disease.
- SCCHD has resumed seeing clients for latent tuberculosis infection (LTBI) treatment in the Preventive Health & Immunization clinic. After pausing treatment of these clients during the Covid-19 pandemic, we have begun assessment and treatment once again. LTBI treatment is provided to clients who test positive for TB infection but do not have TB disease, meaning they are not infectious to others.
- Health Officer-Director, Liz King and members of the Nursing leadership team showed support of National Child Abuse Prevention Month by attending the St. Clair County Child Abuse, & Neglect Council's Annual Dinner for Kid's Sake, Black and White Gala event.
- SCCHD is no longer carrying monovalent Covid-19 vaccine per the CDC's vaccine recommendations; only bivalent presentation is available. For all vaccination needs, Monday walk-in hours are 10:00am-5:30pm or call to schedule an appointment (810) 987-5300 (press option 0).
- Improvements continue in different program areas enhancing sensory friendly activities and designs in order to create a soothing and comfortable environment for children or clients with anxiety or sensory disorders.