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Points of Interest...

ST. CLAIR COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATES

- The St. Clair County Health Department (SCCHD) recently launched a new, mobile friendly website. The new site is organized more efficiently and will be an easier to page to navigate. Visit www.scchealth.co.
- Over the past few weeks, the SCCHD in partnership with other agencies, provided community vaccination clinics at venues including Harbor Impact Ministries, Senior Power Day in Marine City, and drive-thru clinics in Wadhams and Marysville. Types of vaccines offered ranged from COVID-19 and boosters, Flu, Hepatitis A, B and Pneumonia. Over 600 vaccinations were administered.
- The Nursing Division is providing additional nursing support at Marysville School District through an agreement that supports a Registered Nurse onsite three days per week. This agreement, when added to the existing two day per week position, allows for full-time, public health nursing services at Marysville School District! Services at this time are strongly focused on COVID prevention and outbreak control efforts, though also include sick visits, injury assessment, prevention education, as well as an emphasis on high immunization coverage for students and staff. SCCHD is delighted with the community and district support and recognition of the benefits of public health nurses.
- The SCCHD Title X Family Planning program received a virtual accreditation review in October by MDHHS. Due to COVID full accreditation reviews are on pause. The program received an exceptionally positive review with accolades for continuing Family Planning services, and staff flexibility related to assignments/rapid role changes during COVID response.
- The CDC expanded recommendations for booster shots to include all adults ages 18 years and older who received a Pfizer or Moderna vaccine at least six months after their second dose. Moderna, Pfizer, and Johnson & Johnson booster shots are widely available at locations across St. Clair County. For more information visit: <https://www.vaccines.gov/>.
- Effective December 1, the COVID testing process at the SCCHD will change for the winter months. Under advisement and direction from staff, clients will be responsible for exiting their vehicle to pick up and administer their own specimen collection. More details will be provided in an instructional video and be placed on the health department website, social media and new signage will be posted outdoors.