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Points of Interest...

- The SCCHD received notification that the Department of Health & Human Services (HHS) has determined that we meet the requirements for becoming a Certified Navigator to assist consumers with the Insurance Marketplace. Contract to be presented at next BOC meeting.

- HOW TO GET THE RIGHT STUFF TO THE RIGHT PEOPLE AT THE RIGHT TIME - IN ORDER TO SAVE LIVES? *Lessons learned from large-scale events such as the "Pandemic Event of 2009-2010"* resulted in a CDC funded project: IMATS (Inventory Management and Tracking System) which is designed to ship and track urgent medical/non-medical countermeasures (SNS assets) during a public health emergency from the federal stockpile to the local public health dispensing site(s). We will be able to order/reorder, verify shipments, maintain inventories from our distribution node (primary receiving site and warehouse) to our multiple dispensing sites, eliminating bottlenecks, streamlining communications, more efficient use of our very limited human and material resources; when time = lives saved!

- Cooperative efforts to vaccinate county employees were initiated with Wellness Committee. A clinic for the library staff was coordinated with the SCC County Wellness program. Thirty individuals vaccinated, all but two employees had billable insurance; the other two will be invoiced and reimbursed by HR. Terry Rhody staffed with Nancy Deising (wellness member) to provide a very organized event and the library was very appreciative. A second clinic is scheduled at the county court building November 1st, from 1-3:45.

- The SCCHD received our Substance Abuse Prevention License (SAPL) through the MI Department of Licensing & Regulatory Affairs. This license will allow SCCHD to qualify to receive money from the SCC-CMHA-Coordinating Agency's PA2 funding. Also allows SCCHD to apply for additional money from the CA's State Block grant funding.

- The Storm Water program's transition has been finalized. Spicer Group, Inc. was selected and approved to provide storm water permit support services for the County. The agreement will allow for the SCCHD to continue as the lead applicant of this permit for St. Clair County. An initial task will be submittal of Storm Water Pollution Prevention Initiative Progress Reports with watershed partners including four other county agencies, six educational institutions, and nine local municipalities. These reports are submitted to fulfill the reporting requirements of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Phase II Storm Water Permit to provide progress updates on water quality initiatives that each permittee is required to implement.

- Southeastern MI LHD - Cities Readiness Initiative (CRI) Annual Strategic National Stockpile Workshop on 11/12. Target audience: Emergency Management Officials, Key Law Enforcement, Hospital and Healthcare Coalition Members, and Public Information Officers. Topics include: Legal issues, How CRI relates to an "All Hazards Planning", Unified Command during an SNS Event, Information sharing: EM Resource and Web EOC, PIO Workshop, and International Border issues. Registration: <http://bitly/2013CRI>.

- The DEQ conducted an audit of the Private and Type III Public Water Supply Program. The evaluation included both an in office and field component. It has been determined that St. Clair County is in compliance with all minimum program requirements.