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**Director's Report  
 to the  
 Board of Health  
 March 15, 2019**

Director's Attended Meetings – February 2019

1. Scott County Decategorization (DECAT) Fiscal Committee
2. DECAT Board
3. Matt Mendenhall, Regional Development Commission / Live Lead Free QC (LLFQC)
4. Quad City Health Initiative Executive Committee
5. LLFQC Coalition
6. Scott County Board of Supervisors (2)
7. Mahesh Sharma, County Administrator (2)
8. Quad City Emergency Preparedness Committee
9. Dr. Richard Vermeer, EMS Medical Director
10. Tony Knobbe, David Farmer, Vanessa Lee (LLFQC)

I would like to recognize the following employees for their years of service with the Department:

Megan Hawley, Per Diem Nurse	1 year	April 2
Briana Boswell, Community Health Consultant	11 years	April 9
Jackie Hall, Environmental Health Specialist	43 years	April 5

*Monitor Health Status*

Communicable Disease Program

Fourteen communicable diseases were reported during February. They included four cases of salmonellosis, three cases of hepatitis C, two cases each of campylobacteriosis and hepatitis B, and one case each of cryptosporidiosis, Lyme Disease, and Dengue Fever.

Iowa Department of Public Health (IDPH) Regional Epidemiologist Diana Von Stein informed Scott County Health Department (SCHD) staff of a large foodborne outbreak associated with a community event held in Johnson County, Iowa. Through interviews, it was identified that at least one ill individual associated with the event was a Scott County resident. Overall at least one hundred and eighteen people from four states were ill after attending the event. The stool specimens that were analyzed revealed *Salmonella* Reading. There has been a national

outbreak of *Salmonella* Reading associated with raw turkey over the past year. Turkey was served at this event. Additional laboratory tests to determine if this outbreak is associated with the national outbreak are pending.

#### Rabies Risk Assessments

Twenty-four individuals required rabies risk assessments after exposures to nine dogs, eight cats, and two bats. Six individuals were involved in one bat exposure. Rabies post exposure prophylaxis was recommended for eight individuals.

#### Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program

In February, there were twelve children receiving individual case management. Of those, one had a blood level between 15-19 ug/dL. The remaining eleven children had a blood lead level less than 15 ug/dL. Eleven children with an initial blood lead level between 10-14 ug/dL were receiving supportive services (visual inspections, education over the telephone, appointment reminders) for lead poisoning this month. Of those, seven had a blood lead level between 10-14 ug/dL and four had a blood lead level less than 10 ug/dL. These children receive public health nursing support until two consecutive blood lead levels equal to or below 5 ug/dL are obtained.

Six children attending SCHED's Immunization Clinic accepted lead testing services during their visit. Three children were between the ages of one and two years. Three children were between the ages of three and six years. No new positives were identified. Scott County WIC locations completed twenty-two lead tests in February; no new positive cases were identified.

#### *Diagnose/Investigate Health Problems and Hazards*

#### Sexually Transmitted Disease Program

Seventy clients received sexually transmitted disease (STD) clinic services during February. Eight clients tested positive for chlamydia and ten tested positive for gonorrhea at the Health Department's clinic. In total, seventy-eight cases of chlamydia, twenty-seven cases of gonorrhea, and two cases of syphilis were reported in Scott County during the month.

#### *Evaluate Effectiveness, Accessibility and Quality*

#### First Med Pharmacy Review

In January, two hundred and seventy-three inmates received one thousand, three hundred and eighteen prescriptions. The use of generic medication was at ninety-eight percent.

#### Scott County Kids Site Visit

Staff met with Diane Martens from Scott County Kids for the annual Child Care Nurse Consultant site visit. Ms. Martens reviewed files from day care centers and in-home daycares. There were no concerns noted. The financial portion of the site visit was rescheduled.

### I-Smile™ and I-Smile™ Silver Site Visit

Staff from the I-Smile™ and I-Smile™ Silver Programs met with IDPH staff for the annual site visit to review successes and challenges faced over the last year and evaluate the overall outreach and impact each program has on the community. IDPH staff were pleased with the activities surrounding these programs.

### *Develop Policies and Plans*

#### Health Equity Efforts Continue

The department's Health Equity Committee met to continue its work to ensure the department's policies, programs, services, materials, and processes address the social, cultural, and language differences of populations in the Scott County community. The committee completed the 2018-2019 Cultural and Linguistically Appropriate Services (CLAS) Standards Assessment. The committee is dedicated to completing this assessment annually to determine how the department is doing at meeting each of the fifteen CLAS Standards. The standards range from offering language assistance to clients in the department to partnering with the community to design and implement services that are culturally and linguistically appropriate. The committee is currently finalizing the 2019 Health Equity Workplan that describes the activities that will be taken during the year to move the department forward in this arena.

#### Health Improvement Plan Planning

Staff facilitated multiple health improvement plan (HIP) workgroup meetings with counterparts in Rock Island County during February. Community partners have been invited and assigned to three workgroups related to the priority areas identified through the 2018 Community Health Assessment: Mental Health; Nutrition, Physical Activity, and Weight; and Access to Healthcare. The workgroups have been tasked with identifying goal areas within each of these priorities and then establishing strategies and activities to be included in the 2019 HIP to ensure progress is made in the community on the three priority areas. It is anticipated that a draft of the 2019 HIP will be available by the beginning of April. The draft will be brought back to the workgroups for review. Staff continues to work with the workgroups to determine how to structure follow-up and accountability for the work included in the HIP. A more formal presentation of the HIP process and resulting plan will be provided to the Board of Health later this year.

#### Scott County Starts Continuity of Operations/Continuity of Government Planning

Staff attended Scott County's Continuity of Operations/Continuity of Government Planning Committee meeting. The County is issuing a request for proposal for assistance in development this plan. The goal of this project is to identify critical infrastructure and activities within each county department that must be maintained in the event an incident impacts county operations.

*Enforce Laws and Regulations*

Founded Food Service Complaints

<b>Facility</b>	<b>Reason</b>	<b>Complaint Status</b>
Fountains Assisted Living, Thunder Ridge Road, Bettendorf	Improper date marking	Closed

Food Service Program Closures

<b>Facility</b>	<b>Reason</b>	<b>Status</b>
Nally's Kitchen, Rockingham Road, Davenport	No water	Reopened
Burger King, North Brady Street, Davenport	Small fryer fire	Reopened

*Research for new insights and innovative solutions*

National Condom Week Survey

A brief survey promoted via Facebook for National Condom Week asked respondents to identify their favorite brands and styles of condoms, as well as indicate any community locations that would serve well as condom distribution sites. Staff received forty-five responses. This data will be used to establish new condom distribution sites in the community and when ordering supplies.

Immunization Clinic Quality Improvement Project Underway

Members of the department's Immunization Team were part of a quality improvement project related to improving the percent of individuals that come for scheduled immunization appointments. While the department's rate overall is good, this project gave an opportunity to look at the process and identify an areas where improvements could be made to make the rate even better.

5-2-1-0 Workplace Wellness Workgroup Convenes

Staff attended a 5-2-1-0 Workplace Wellness Workgroup hosted by IDPH and the Healthiest State Initiative. 5-2-1-0 is a proven, scientific method currently focusing on improving kids health by encouraging healthy eating and playing habits. The 5-2-1-0 workplace workgroup is discussing how to encourage similar healthy habits in adults. The group anticipates launching a statewide workplace recognition program for employers that implement healthy policy, systems, and environmental changes.

## **Assurance**

### *Link People to Needed Personal Health Service*

#### Additional HIV/STD Prevention Locations Added

In February, three new condom distribution partners were added. These locations include Metro Infectious Disease Consultants, Gateway Pub, and Boozie's Bar & Grill. IDPH has also activated an online resource for partner agencies and individuals in the community that allows them to order their own condoms and other health supplies for home or agency delivery at <http://www.myiacondoms.org>. SCHED has begun to promote this system via social media and direct contact with agency partners.

#### Oral Health Services Provided at ManorCare

Staff provided program information and oral hygiene aids to the direct care staff at ManorCare on Locust during one of the facility's staff meetings. Staff provided dental screenings for seven of the ManorCare on Locust residents and will be providing care coordination to those who need dental services.

#### Vision and Dental Screenings Provided at Non-Public Schools

Staff completed vision and dental screenings in all of the non-public schools during February except for one that is undergoing construction. Screenings at this school will occur later this spring. A total of two hundred and fifty vision screenings and one hundred and sixteen dental screenings were completed. Eight children were referred for vision deficits, and ten children were referred for dental concerns.

### *Assure a Competent Public and Personal Health Workforce*

#### Southeast Iowa Sanitarian Roundtable

Staff attended a Southeast Iowa Sanitarian Roundtable meeting hosted by the Iowa Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) in Ainsworth. IDNR staff from Region 6 were in attendance, along with several IDNR staff from Des Moines. Topics discussed included open burning and solid waste disposal; waste tires/Brownfields/Asbestos review; defining a public water supply; and time of transfer and private well program updates. The meeting was well attended, and the information provided and discussed was beneficial.

#### Indoor Play Webinar

Staff listened to the webinar *Using Portable Play Equipment to Spice Up Indoor Activity*. The presenter explained the importance of physical activity for children's development and the common barriers to being active in child care. Using portable equipment, even indoors, can increase children's active time in fun, new ways.

### Food Code Webinar

Staff attended the ServSafe Webinar, *Debunking the Myths of the FDA Food Code- A ServSafe Panel Discussion*. During the webinar, a panel of speakers provided interpretations to the most frequently asked questions about the Food and Drug Administration's Food Code.

### Presumptive Eligibility Training for School Nurses

Staff provided training for one Davenport Community School District (DCSD) elementary school nurse, three North Scott Community School District (NSCSD) elementary school nurses, and one NSCSD high school nurse. The training provided guidance on how to complete the Presumptive Eligibility (PE) Medicaid application process with students and their families. Staff helped the nurses to complete the steps to apply for certification through Iowa Medicaid to be able to offer the PE application services. Department information was shared with the nurses as well.

### Youth Mental Health First Aid Training

Staff attended the Youth Mental Health First Aid training during February. The training provided information on how to provide initial help to young people experiencing problems, such as depression, anxiety disorders, psychosis, and substance use disorders. Throughout the course, the mental health difference between youth and adults was highlighted.

### Social Media Training

Staff attended an educational presentation hosted by the Association for Fundraising Professionals Quad Cities Chapter. The training, *Engaging Your Audience with Social Media*, provided best practices from the corporate world to engage unique audiences. The training supplemented the existing practices that are currently maintained by the department's Social Media Team.

### Webinar Regarding Addressing Difficult Behavior

Staff attended the webinar *The Director's Role in Managing Difficult Children*. The presenter described the child care director's role in supporting staff when working with children with aggressive behaviors. All behavior is communication and an opportunity to teach. He explained that the director should be there to provide safety to the staff and children and to assist the teacher in identifying and addressing the child's unmet needs.

### Scott County Hosts Ethics in Government Training

Staff attended *Ethics in Government* training in February. The training reminded staff that ethics are for everyone and highlighted the benefits of ethical behavior to the employee as well as to an employer.

### You Call the Shots Vaccine Training

Immunization team members completed *CDC You Call The Shots 2018 Vaccine Handling, Storage and Transporting module and Vaccine for Children (VFC)* modules. These trainings are required each year by IDPH.

### Staff Wellness in Child Care Webinar

Staff viewed the webinar *Promoting Organizational and Staff Wellness*. A culture of wellness is when health and safety are valued, supported and promoted and can provide a foundation for children in child care. Several examples of how to support child care staff wellness were shared, including gym memberships, monthly challenges, and providing personal health resources. Supporting staff strengthens the early childhood workforce and can lead to positive relationships with children.

### Education Provided to UnityPoint Medical Providers

Staff spoke with providers at UnityPoint Family Medicine on 53<sup>rd</sup> Street in Davenport. Education was provided regarding the Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program and best practice guidelines for lead poisoning detection and medical management. Additionally, education was provided regarding the department's Immunization and *Care for Kids* Programs.

### *Inform, Educate, and Empower People About Health Issues*

### STD/HIV Education Provided in Community

Staff presented HIV/STD prevention education to individuals at the Safer Foundation. Topics included the signs and symptoms of STDs as well as information about HIV transmission, testing, and prevention (PrEP). Presentations were also given to two adult and one adolescent outpatient substance abuse treatment groups at Rosecrance New Life Outpatient Center, and for youth in the Engaging Males Program managed by Family Resources and at The Nest.

### Health Education at Safer Foundation

Staff provided health education to students from the SAFER Foundation. Six individuals were in attendance, including four students and two teachers. Staff discussed tobacco as well as the importance of continuing preventive healthcare exams as teenagers and adults. The youth also received information regarding how the *Care for Kids* Program can help connect them to healthcare and health insurance.

### Education Provided at The Nest

Staff discussed childhood lead poisoning prevention with new parents and/or soon-to-be parents at The Nest. Education was provided about lead sources, as well as nutritional and environmental interventions used to decrease the chance of childhood lead poisoning. Additionally, education was provided regarding the department's Immunization and *Care for Kids* Programs.

### *Mobilize Community Partnerships*

### Scott County Immunization Coalition Convenes Again

Staff hosted the third meeting of the Scott County Immunization Coalition this month. The 2018 benchmarks reports were presented and the Coalition's mission statement was reviewed. The members divided into breakout sessions to work on the top six areas of focus that the group has identified. Each group worked on problems/solutions/partners and then shared the

information with the rest of the members. The group also discussed proposed legislation that would expand immunization exemptions across the state.

#### Youth Suicide Prevention Group Meets

Staff attended the Youth Suicide Prevention meeting. The group is looking at ways to partner with the Robert Young Center to collaborate on ideas that may positively encourage the youth of the area to deal with their emotions and seek help and to provide family and friends the tools to spot at risk youth and enable timely intervention. Robert Young recently was awarded a grant to identify needs and develop strategies to help mitigate this issue.

#### Quad Cities STD Taskforce

Dr. Katz and department staff attended the initial STD Taskforce meeting initiated by the Rock Island County Health Department. Agencies in attendance were The Project of the Quad-Cities, UnityPoint Hospital, Genesis Hospital, Henry County Health Department, Dr. Maurus, and staff from the Rock Island County Health Department. The group reviewed the current disease statistics for each county, services currently being offered by each agency, and discussed budget issues that Rock Island is experiencing. The group discussed ways to possibly partner together increase communication between agencies and work together to ensure services are being provided.

#### Presentation at LULAC

Staff presented at the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC) Council 10 meeting in Davenport. Approximately twenty people were in attendance, including LULAC Council leaders and members. Staff discussed SCHD programs, with the ultimate goal of increasing community awareness and connecting to those that might benefit from the services. Informational program materials were left with the council for ongoing distribution to LULAC members.

#### Partnership with Dental Programs

Staff met with Barb Nichol, Dental Assistant Program Director at Eastern Iowa Community College, to learn about their Dental Health Coordination Program. This meeting opened the door to collaboration with the Dental Assistant Program as well as the Medical Assistant and Nursing Programs.

#### Quad City Youth Conference

Staff helped organize and host the Quad City Youth Conference with many members of the community through member organizations and volunteer sponsors. Junior high students attend on one day and high school students attend on the next. Over 1,000 students were hosted this year. The students enjoy the workshop topics and the chance to interact with the organizations who attend the vendor health fair over lunch.

#### Dental Outreach for Care Coordinator

Staff presented I-Smile™ Silver Program information to eight local United Healthcare agents that work with the Medicare/Medicaid combination coverage population. The agents were educated on the oral and systemic health connection and why referring their clients for dental



care is so important. They were all very grateful to have a dental program to refer their clients to for help.

Staff also met with Joan McGovern, Integrated Health Home Director, with Family Resources. Together they looked at ways to partner to increase access to dental care for individuals and families on Medicaid, Medicare, or those who are uninsured, and be a referral source.

#### Give Kids a Smile Advisory Board

Staff attended the Bethany for Children and Families, Give Kids a Smile Mobile Dental Clinic, Advisory Board meeting. Discussion included expanding services to non-Medicaid children and older adults by credentialing with private dental insurance companies; the need for more dentists to work on the bus; and the possibility of providing restorative dental services on site.

#### Weather Planning Calls

Staff attended a Weather Event Conference Call on February 5, 2019. Participants discussed issues that could occur due to the ice storm that was expected in the area. The group discussed the current ice jams and potential flooding that could take place, as well as potential traffic issues that could take place. Additional calls were held throughout the month regarding winter weather and the potential for spring flooding.

#### Meetings Attended by Staff

Barb Nichol, Eastern Iowa Community College  
Bethany for Children and Families  
Bettendorf Community School District (BCSD) Nurse Team  
City of Riverdale  
Clinical Review/Provider Panel  
Community Awareness of Roadway Safety (CARS)  
Community Baby Shower Planning Committee  
Community Health Assessment Steering Committee  
Community Health Care, Inc. Providers' Roundtable  
Community Health Care-Edgerton Staff  
Community Organizations Active in Disaster  
Coordinated Intake Home Visiting Programs  
Early Childhood Summit Planning  
Early Intervention Competencies  
EMS Collaboration Meeting  
Food Rescue Partnership  
Gayle Walter, Iowa Society for Public Health Education  
Health Alert Network Training  
Health Improvement Plan Access to Healthcare Workgroup  
Health Improvement Plan Mental Health Workgroup  
Health Improvement Plan Nutrition, Physical Activity, and Weight Workgroup (2)  
Health, Mental Health and Nutrition Professional Development Leadership Team  
Healthy Food Access

IDPH Trauma Informed Care Learning Community  
Immunization Coalition  
Iowa Association of Councils of Government  
Iowa HIV/AIDS Community Planning Group  
Jackie Kwasigroch, Student at Augustana College  
Jail Tabletop Exercise Planning Meeting  
Joan McGovern, Family Resources  
Katie McBurney, IDPH  
League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC) Council 10, Davenport, Iowa  
Live Lead Free QC  
National Association of County and City Health Officials Performance Improvement Workgroup  
Neil Armstrong Elementary School  
Nicole Carkner, Quad City Health Initiative  
Point of Dispensing Planning Meeting  
Point of Dispensing Tabletop Meeting  
Quad Cities Emergency Planning Committee  
Quad Cities HEARTSafe Coalition Board  
Quad Cities Regional Disaster Conference Planning Committee (2)  
Quad Cities River Bandits  
Quad City Area Nursing Facilities  
Quad City Youth Conference Council  
River Bend Foodbank  
River Way Steering Committee  
Scott County Continuity of Operations/Continuity of Government Committee  
Service Area 5A  
Southeast Iowa EMS Association  
SurveyMonkey (2)  
Tobacco Free Quad Cities Coalition  
Tobacco-Free QC Community Education Workgroup  
Weather (Ice Storm) Event Conference Call  
Youth Suicide Prevention Workgroup

Attachment 1: Reports from our database on education the Department provided to the community, education the Department provided to service providers, media inquiries and press releases/conferences



## Education provided between February 1, 2019 and February 28, 2019

<b>Education To:</b>	<b>Presentation Date</b>	<b>Total Audience</b>	<b>Requesting Organization</b>	<b>Description</b>
Community				
	2/4/2019	7	Genesis Visiting Nurses: The Nest	Childhood lead poisoning prevention information
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	2/8/2019	6	Jason Otten from CADS for North High School	Vaping
	2/11/2019	5	Genesis Visiting Nurses: The Nest	STDs/HIV
	2/11/2019	2	Safer Foundation	STDs/HIV
	2/12/2019	14	Genesis Baby Basics	Childhood lead poisoning prevention information

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	2/12/2019	12	Genesis Health System	Childhood lead poisoning prevention information
	2/12/2019	50	Scott County Waste Commission	Tobacco education and cessation information
	2/13/2019	6	SAFER Foundation	Tobacco education and Care for Kids Program Resources
	2/13/2019	7	Safer Foundation	Tobacco Presentation
	2/15/2019	10	Iowa Association of Councils of Government	Scott County Walkability Efforts
	2/24/2019	20	League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC)	SCHD Programs; Maternal, Child & Adolescent Health Program
	2/25/2019	36	Neil Armstrong Elementary School	Hands-Only CPR
	2/28/2019	1	Mid City High School	Safe Sleep

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<i>Service Providers</i>				
	2/12/2019	15	Unity Point Internal Medicine	Childhood lead poisoning prevention information
	2/12/2019	20	Unity Point Family Medicine	Childhood lead poisoning prevention information
	2/12/2019	1	Davenport Community School District	Presumptive Eligibility
	2/13/2019	11	Facility & Support Services and Health Department	CPR
	2/13/2019	6	Facility & Support Services	CPR
	2/14/2019	4	Genesis Health	Oral health education
	2/20/2019	7	Facility & Support Services	CPR
	2/20/2019	5	Facility & Support Services and Health Department	CPR

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	2/20/2019	9	Bettendorf Community School District	SCHD Programs; Maternal, Child & Adolescent Health Programs; Presumptive Eligibility Services; Dental Screenings and Audits
	2/21/2019	1	North Scott Community School District	SCHD Programs; Maternal, Child & Adolescent Health Programs; Presumptive Eligibility Services
	2/25/2019	1	Sheriff	Bloodborne pathogens
	2/25/2019	1	Scott County Health Department	SCHD Programs; Maternal, Child & Adolescent Health Programs; Presumptive Eligibility Services
	2/25/2019	1	Sheriff	TB education and testing
	2/26/2019	3	North Scott School District	SCHD Programs; Maternal, Child & Adolescent Health Programs; Presumptive Eligibility Services



## ***Media Inquiries between February 1, 2019 and February 28, 2019***

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<b><i>Request Date</i></b>	<b><i>Nature of Request</i></b>	<b><i>Request From</i></b>	<b><i>Newspaper</i></b>	<b><i>Radio</i></b>	<b><i>Television</i></b>
2/1/2019	Other	Television			WHBF-TV4

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