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Director's Report to the Board of Health February 11, 2022

Director's Attended Meetings – January 2022

1. Scott County Community Vaccine Planning Group (4)
2. Quad Cities COVID Coalition (2)
3. Local Public Health Administrators
4. COVID-19 Update with Scott County School Leadership (4)
5. Scott County Board of Supervisors Agenda Review (2)
6. Scott County Department Heads
7. Iowa Department of Public Health Regional Epidemiologist (3)
8. Live Lead-Free QC
9. Adaptive Leadership Academy (3)
10. CDC All State, Tribal, Local and Territorial Health Department Update Call (3)
11. Board of Health Orientation with Sherwin Robinson
12. Iowa Department of Public Health (IDPH) COVID-19 Update for Local Public Health (2)
13. Tony Knobbe and Staff Regarding Live Lead-Free QC
14. Scott County Board of Supervisors
15. Quad City Health Initiative Partners Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Health Outcomes Discussion
16. Childhood Lead Advisory Workgroup
17. National Network of Public Health Institutes 2022 Open Forum: Next Generation
18. Region 6 Local Public Health Administrators
19. Senator Chris Cournoyer
20. Area 5 HealthCare Coalition
21. IDPH COVID-19 Update for Hospital Partners
22. Bennett Ambulance Director with Staff
23. Wheatland Ambulance Director with Staff
24. Scott County Kids/Decategorization Fiscal Committee
25. Scott County Kids/Decategorization Board

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

Ray Miller, Environmental Health Specialist	1 year	February 1
Heath Johnson, Disease Intervention Specialist	5 years	February 20
Lashon Moore, Clinical Services Specialist	19 years	February 24
Amy Thoreson, Director	23 years	February 22

I would like to share the following staff transfer:

Sue VanDeWalle from Public Health Nurse to Per Diem Nurse effective February 18, 2022

Assessment

Assess and monitor population health status, factors that influence health, and community needs and assets

Child Care Immunization Audits

Immunization audits in the child care centers were completed and reported to IDPH. The total enrollment in the 102 licensed child care centers (85) and Iowa Department of Education preschools (15) audited was 5,301. Of those 5,301 children, 4,996 (94.25%) had certificates of immunization, 69 (1.30%) had provisional certificates, 4 (0.08%) had a medical exemption, 171 (3.23%) had religious exemptions, and 61 (1.15%) had an unacceptable or no certificate (Attachment 2).

Investigate, diagnose, and address health problems and hazards affecting the population

Communicable Disease Program

A total of seven thousand, four hundred and sixty-three communicable diseases were reported during January. They included one case of campylobacteriosis, one case of hepatitis A, two cases of salmonellosis, and five cases of hepatitis C. In addition, there were seven thousand, four hundred and fifty-four cases of COVID-19 reported.

Rabies Risk Assessments

In January, seventeen individuals required rabies risk assessments after exposures to eleven dogs, five cats, and one bat. Two victims were recommended for rabies prevention treatment for a high-risk exposure or a bite above the shoulders and both started the treatment.

Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program

In January, there were three children receiving individual case management. Of those, one had a blood level less than 15 ug/dL and two had a level between 15-19 ug/dL. These cases receive case management until they meet closure criteria. Three children with an initial blood lead level between 10-14 ug/dL received supportive services for lead poisoning during the month. Two of the children have blood lead levels between 10-14 ug/dL and one has a 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.

Sexual Health Program

Forty-six individuals received sexually transmitted infection (STI) clinic services during January 2022. Six clients tested positive for chlamydia and two clients tested positive for gonorrhea at the Health Department's clinic. In total, eighty-five cases of chlamydia, thirty-eight cases of gonorrhea, three cases of syphilis, and one HIV case were reported in Scott County during January.

Policy Development

Communicate effectively to inform and educate people about health factors that influence it, and how to improve it

Radio Ads Under Development

Staff met with William Jackson, WGTV 92.5 FM, to discuss the creation of radio ads with COVID-19 messaging. Mr. Jackson wrote a grant and received three years of funding from the Iowa Department of Public Health (IDPH) for COVID-19 radio advertisements. There is no cost to the Scott County Health Department (SCHD). SCHD's Health Promotion Team has been tasked with developing the messaging for the radio ads, and WGTV will develop a jingle and voiceover. The majority of the listeners of WGTV are African Americans between the ages of 18-35.

Opportunity to Education and HIV and STIs

HIV outreach staff participated in the Multi-Cultural Love Fest held at the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC) Club on January 22 and 23. The Love Fest was designed to bring the community together to celebrate diversity, promote inclusion, and encourage unity amongst various cultures. The outreach team set up a vendor booth to share STI and HIV resources to promote healthy lifestyles. The outreach event furthers SCHD efforts of being present in the community and providing access to education and resources.

Strengthen, support, and mobilize communities, and partnerships to improve health

Food Rescue Partnership Receives Award

For the third year in a row, the Food Rescue Partnership has won a Food Recovery Challenge Award. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) presents the awards each year. The Food Rescue Partnership's award is in the narrative category. Narrative award winners achieved notable progress in the areas of source reduction, leadership, innovation, education and outreach, and endorsement of sustainable management of food. The Food Rescue Partnership is one of eighteen innovative businesses and organizations that are being recognized by the U.S. EPA at a national level for work completed in 2020 and 2021.

Oral Health Coalitions

Staff attended a meeting hosted by the Oral Health Iowa Coalition highlighting their legislative priorities and ideas to promote oral health advocacy. The Oral Health Iowa Coalition (OHI) launched in early 2020 in an effort to provide a collective voice for oral health in Iowa. OHI is a statewide, cross-sector network of individuals and organizations with a purpose to support preventative education, advocate for policies impacting equitable good oral hygiene, and integrate strategies to improve oral health for every Iowan.

The department's oral health staff hosted the quarterly Scott County Oral Health Network meeting virtually. A variety of community partners were in attendance. Meeting topics focused on expanding membership and inviting key partners to the table to discuss oral health.

Live Lead-Free QC Discussion

Staff and I met with Tony Knobbe, Chair of Live Lead-Free QC (LLFQC), to discuss the current program and brainstorm ideas regarding contractor engagement and project management. Mr. Knobbe will be contacting a number of entities to discuss the ideas shared and explore ways to address the problem of lead-safe renovator certified contractors.

HIV Outreach Meetings

In an effort to mobilize and further collaborate with community stakeholders surrounding HIV, staff met with the marketing and communications director of The Project of the Quad Cities, the executive director of The Lincoln Center, president of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), and the founder of A System Within A System. A System Within a System is Mr. Sherwin Robinson's organization founded to increase health equity by pooling community resources in an effort to expose youth to the importance of health decision making and lifestyles. Staff also facilitated or participated in meetings with QC Harm Reduction, Iowa Works, Iowa Total Care, and the Davenport Public Library.

Create, champion, and implement policies, plans, and laws that impact health

CHANGE Tool Reassessment Completed

Staff met with Parker Audiology to complete the workplace Community Health Assessment and Group Evaluation (CHANGE) Tool reassessment. In the last year, Parker Audiology identified a wellness coordinator, updated its tobacco free policy to prohibit the use of nicotine products, adopted a policy supporting breastfeeding/chestfeeding, and began providing staff with a health insurance plan.

Fluoride Presentation to the City of Princeton

Staff presented with Sarah Petersen from IDPH to the City of Princeton on the importance of community water fluoridation. The community recently constructed a new well that is not yet in use, and the presentation focused on the benefits and cost savings of fluoride.

Outreach Regarding Lactation Support

Maternal Health staff reached out to the Isle of Capri, Rhythm City Casino, and Senior Star Elmore Place to discuss lactation support in the workplace. The goal is to educate the businesses on the lactation laws in Iowa, encourage them to have a designated area/space set up for pumping, and to promote the benefits of breastfeeding and pumping for individuals and businesses.

Materials Provided for Child Care and Preschool Enrollment

Staff offered health information packets containing health and immunization forms to child care and preschool directors as they prepare for annual enrollment into their programs. Four child care programs have requested the forms and deliveries are ongoing. Child care providers can continue to request packets through the end of March.

Utilize legal and regulatory actions designed to improve and protect the public’s health

Founded Food Service Complaints

Facility	Reason	Complaint Status
Popeye’s, North Marquette Street, Davenport	General facility sanitation	Resolved
Los Portales, East Kimberly Road, Davenport	Presence of pests	Resolved
Save More, East Locust Street, Davenport	Adulterated food- discolored meats & spoiled produce	Resolved
Burger King, Rockingham Road, Davenport	No running water in restrooms due to frozen pipes/no heat in facility	Resolved

Swimming Pool/Spa Program

Facility Closures	Reason	Status
Maquoketa AmericInn	No CPO, no VGBA documents	Still closed–pending completion of corrective action plan
Residence Inn, East 55 th Street, Davenport	Complaint – green water in spa	Justified but spa was already closed

Staff continues to follow the progress of corrective actions for the Jackson County pools inspected by Scott County for the first time in December. The Maquoketa Area YMCA has completed all of the items necessary and submitted appropriate paperwork to reopen. The Maquoketa AmericInn pool and spa remains closed.

The Clinton YWCA has had the spa out of operation for some time and would like to reopen it. John Kelly, IDPH Environmental Engineer, inspected the spa to assess what work would be required to reopen/replace the spa. Through this process, it was discovered that the installation of the existing spa was never approved by IDPH. There are numerous serious deficiencies that will need to be addressed prior to its opening.

Staff met Mr. Kelly at Davenport West High School for his inspection of a new pool boiler which was installed in 2018 without submitting plans to IDPH. The boiler installation has been unresolved since it was first discovered during the March 2019 routine inspection. There has been ongoing communication with the school and IDPH since that time. A number of deficiencies were noted, including an issue with a cross connection between the West High School swimming pool and the West YMCA spa in the adjoining YMCA building. Mr. Kelly will be sending a detailed report to the facilities.

Finally, John Kelly visited the Central High School pool to check on the change to the original chemical feeding system. This change was made a short time after Mr. Kelly initially inspected and approved the pool. These changes were made without submitting an application for “reconstruction” as is required for major changes to original equipment. No serious deficiencies were noted.

Assurance

Assure an effective system that enables access to the individual services and care needed to be healthy

First Med Pharmacy Review

In December, one hundred and eighty-eight inmates received seven hundred and ninety-one prescriptions. The use of generic medication was at ninety-eight percent with mental health medications at ninety-nine percent generic.

HIV/HCV Outreach and Testing

Outreach HIV/hepatitis C (HCV) testing was provided at Quad Cities Harm Reduction Davenport office and by appointment at SCHD during the month of January. Twenty-two individuals were tested for HIV and three individuals were tested for HCV during outreach activities.

Support Provided to Child Care Provider Regarding Diabetes

Staff met with an in-home child care provider to provide education and support as she prepares to enroll a child with diabetes. The parent was also present for the meeting to share child specific plans and procedures.

Build and support a diverse and skilled public health workforce

Human Trafficking Training

Staff attended an online training on Human Trafficking. The training discussed how to identify and respond to victims of trafficking, how to talk to a victim and provide a safe environment, and how to get that person help and referrals. Maternal mortality review committees recommend having a screening for human trafficking for maternal health clients. Staff is reviewing the policies/procedures and discussing how this screening could be incorporated in visits.

Nipple Shield Training Provided by Medela

Staff attended a virtual training from Medela. Medela is a company that produces products to support breast/chest feeding. The speaker for the event was Donnianne Noble, BSN RN IBCLC, at EvergreenHealth in Kirkland, Washington. EvergreenHealth was the first Baby-Friendly Hospital in North America. Ms. Noble’s topic was *Nipple Shields: Creating a Supportive Approach*. The webinar discussed the current research and social perceptions of nipple shields, underlying latch problems, avoiding common nipple shield pitfalls, weaning from nipple shields, and suggestions for optimal education and follow-up.

Motivational Interviewing Training

Staff completed Motivational Interviewing training. Motivational interviewing is an evidence-based approach to behavior change that allows the client to do more of the talking and discuss changes they want to make and how that can be done. The traditional model that was once used was provider led discussions. The modern model is client led.

Tobacco and Nicotine Prevention Training

Staff attended Vaping, E-Cigarettes, and Tobacco Prevention training online. The training reviewed vaping 101, nicotine, products, vaping policies, and cessation resources.

Technology of Participation Facilitation Training

Staff attended three days of online Technology of Participation (ToP) Facilitation training. The training offered instruction on three approaches to group facilitation (Focused Conversation, Consensus Workshop, and Action Planning) with a special emphasis on application in the virtual environment. A Focused Conversation offers a way to organize and structure a group conversation, while encouraging the involvement of all participants, and therefore a diversity of perspectives. It helps with shared awareness and works well for interviewing prospective clients, staff meetings, family discussions, etc.

The Consensus Workshop method is used for shared agreement. The facilitators recommend it for visioning sessions and staff discussions about improving communication. It is a way to engage all group members and organize ideas and decisions. It helps to reveal consensus in large groups and build team partnerships. The third facilitation method that was discussed was the Action Planning process, which focuses on shared action. It is most likely used for planning events like trips or community fairs, and launching new community programs. It helps the group to visualize what success will look like when the task is completed. The group is able to analyze the current situation, focus commitments, develop an action timeline and determine clear accountability for tasks. Each method can be used as a standalone or incorporated together, depending upon group needs.

Improve and innovate public health functions through ongoing evaluation, research, and continuous quality improvement

PAPREN Gathers Information Side Walk Financing, Policies, and Maintenance

Physical Activity Policy Research and Evaluation Network (PAPREN) volunteers will be collecting information regarding the range of mechanisms municipalities have in place such as ordinances, policies, dedicated funding, etc. that contribute to the community's active lifestyle.

Researchers will then analyze the data with the hope of identifying model or promising practices to help public health practitioners and advocates advance policy and practice at the local, state and national levels to improve active transportation, physical activity, health and equity. Staff have been trained to assist in the data collection portion of the project.

CBSS Fourth Quarter and Year-End Reports

The 2021 Fourth Quarter Community-Based Screening Services (CBSS) Data/Quality Assurance

Report is designed to share information regarding specimens tested for various sexually transmitted infections using kits provided through the CBSS program. The statewide chlamydia positivity rate from October - December was 8.9 percent and the state-wide gonorrhea positivity rate was 4.3 percent.

Overall, the 2021 year-end statewide chlamydia positivity rate was 9 percent, with 51.7 percent of positive cases among female and 62.4 percent in individuals twenty-four years of age or younger. For gonorrhea, the 2021 year-end statewide rates were 4.7 percent, with 61.5 percent of the cases being in males and 37.8 percent in individuals twenty-four years of age or younger. The year-end report shared that 11.6 percent of chlamydia positives results and 29.4 percent of gonorrhea positive results came from extra-genital sites (i.e. oral/pharyngeal or rectal); those aged fifteen to nineteen years old had the highest positivity rate for chlamydia (14.3 percent); and those thirty to thirty-four years old had the highest rate for gonorrhea (5.7 percent).

Build and maintain a strong organization infrastructure for public health

Meeting with Local Legislator

Staff met with Senator Chris Cournoyer to learn more about her interests related to mental and maternal health issues. Staff were able to provide information about the department, Community Health Assessment, data sources, and shared information on the services provided in the Maternal, Child, and Adolescent Health programs. Discussions around access and the barriers individuals face in seeking care were discussed, including transportation. In addition, challenges related to a decline in dental providers were shared. Staff were able to share the oral health performance measures that are tracked regarding oral health providers and those accepting Medicaid. Senator Cournoyer expressed interested in learning more about the issues and accepted an invitation to attend a Scott County Oral Health Network meeting.

Department CLIA Audit Successful

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) regulates all laboratory testing (except research) performed on humans in the United States through the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA). The objective of the CLIA program is to ensure quality laboratory reporting. The department is required to have a CLIA license because of the analysis performed as part of the Sexual Health Clinic. The department and its laboratory team underwent a CLIA site visit/survey in January, and were found to have no deficiencies.

Meetings Attended by Staff

Alexandra Rodriguez, Erin Marshall, and Jason Otten, Center for Alcohol and Drug Services, Inc. (CADS, Inc.)
 Be Healthy QC Coalition
 Bettendorf Business Network
 Bi-State Regional Trails Commission
 Christy Roby Williams, Jacob Dornbush, and Kathleen McDaniel-Shaman, UnityPoint Health – Trinity Muscatine

Community Health Assessment Steering Committee
Dan Nickey, Iowa Waste Reduction Center
Davenport Transit Electric Bus
Food Rescue Partnership
IDPH Region 6 meeting
Iowa Immunizes Coalition
MCAH Site Visit virtually with Sylvia Navin
Molly Parker and Lori Owens, Parker Audiology
Oral Health Iowa
PAPREN Parks & Green Spaces
PAPREN Sidewalk Project Training
Paul Kleinhans-Schulz, Quad Cities River Bandits
Quad Cities Emergency Planning Committee
Quad Cities HEARTSafe Coalition Board
Quad Cities Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition
Quad Cities Youth Conference Planning Committee
Ride the River Planning Committee
Sarah Taylor Watts and Haley Hopkins, Iowa Department of Public Health
Senator Chris Cournoyer
Tobacco Free QC (TFQC) Community Education Workgroup
William Jackson, WGTV 92.5 FM
Workplace Health Symposium

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

Attachment 2: 2021-2022 Child Care Immunization Audit Report



Education provided between January 1, 2022 and January 31, 2022

<i>Education To:</i>	<i>Presentation Date</i>	<i>Total Audience</i>	<i>Requesting Organization</i>	<i>Description</i>
<i>Community</i>				
	1/7/2022	9	Noah's Ark Preschool	Medication Administration
	1/15/2022	5	APK Academy Eldridge	Medication Administration
	1/18/2022	463	North Scott Junior High School	Tobacco and Nicotine Prevention Education, with a Special Focus on Vaping/E-cigarette Use
<i>Service Providers</i>				
	1/12/2022	24	Genesis	Oral Care and Prevention of Hospital-Acquired Pneumonia
	1/26/2022	20	Genesis	Oral Care and Hospital-Acquired Pneumonia

<i>Education To:</i>	<i>Presentation Date</i>	<i>Total Audience</i>	<i>Requesting Organization</i>	<i>Description</i>
	1/27/2022	25	Senior Star at Elmore Place	Oral Care



Media Inquiries between January 1, 2022 and January 31, 2022

<i>Request Date</i>	<i>Nature of Request</i>	<i>Request From</i>	<i>Newspaper</i>	<i>Radio</i>	<i>Television</i>
1/3/2022	CoVID-19	Newspaper	Quad City Times		
1/4/2022	CoVID-19	Television			WHBF-TV4
1/4/2022	CoVID-19	Television			WHBF-TV4
1/6/2022	CoVID-19	Newspaper	Des Moines Register		
1/18/2022	Tobacco	Staff Member	North Scott Press		
1/19/2022	CoVID-19	Television			KWQC-TV6
1/21/2022	HIV-STDs	Newspaper	Quad City Times		

<i>Request Date</i>	<i>Nature of Request</i>	<i>Request From</i>	<i>Newspaper</i>	<i>Radio</i>	<i>Television</i>
1/26/2022	CoVID-19	Television			KWQC-TV6
1/27/2022	EPA Award: Food Rescue Partnership	Television		WVIK Augustana	WQAD-TV8
1/28/2022	CoVID-19	Television			WHBF-TV4

Immunization Child Care Audit Results, Scott County
2021-2022

Attachment 2

Total Enrollment	Children with Certificates of Immunization	Children with Provisional Certificates	Children with Certificate of Immunization Exemption		Total Certificates	Children without Acceptable or No Certificates
			Medical	Religious		
5301	4996	69	4	171	5240	61
	94.25%	1.30%	0.08%	3.23%	98.85%	1.15%

Department of Human Services (DHS) Licensed Centers	85
Department of Education Preschools	17
Total Audited	102