June 7, 2023
Assembly Health Policy Committee

Please note: all report outs are related to April program activities unless otherwise noted. This is due to the timing of this meeting.

Director’s Office

• The Get Moving Anchorage campaign continued in April asking participants to participate in four activities that improve mental or physical wellness. April saw 6 participants. Challenges can be submitted online through our form library: https://forms.anchoragepublichealth.com/get-moving/. The May challenge of ‘Fitness Fanatic’ closes out the yearlong series.

• Anchorage Opioid Taskforce will restart in Q2/Q3 to reengage with the proposed plan and look at funding projects with the settlement dollars. Newly hired PIO will start engagement with community partners.

• The AHD Medicare Taskforce met on April 27, 2023. Due to meeting their mission statement the taskforce has ended.
Recruitment efforts remain the same.

**Anchorage Safety Center/Patrol (ASC/P):** Under Title 47, respond to and provide safe shelter for individuals who are incapacitated by substance misuse 365 days per year/24 hours per day.

- Intakes: 592
- Responded to calls: 1,022
- Transported: 360
- Unduplicated clients: 338

Overall, 338 individuals utilized services more than once therefore creating 592 intakes/occurrences due to multiple visits.
Public Health Division

Environmental Health Services (EH):
- The EH Program addressed 72 Complaints in April.
- Performed 193 inspections.
- Made 607 Customer Service contacts.
- Renewed 50 Liquor and Marijuana retail licenses.
- Responded to 7 food borne illness reports.
- Issued 128 permits
- Issued 6 Food Worker Cards
The chart below is an indicator that in-person events and inspections.

![Inspections comparison by year/month](chart1.png)

![Total Complaints Managed by month/year](chart2.png)

![Misc Permits/Food Worker Cards issued by month/year](chart3.png)
**Women, Infants & Children Program (WIC):**

- April WIC participant total: 3,895
- Open House held for the Eagle River WIC Clinic in April
- Partnered with AK Public Media to create radio ads and sponsorship messages on cable
- Developed Scope of Work for website development, projecting significant updates to nutrition education, resources and health articles for the community, a long-term project.
- In discussion with JBER to identify a more suitable location for the WIC office.
- Collecting data on the feasibility of utilizing the Alcohol Tax to subsidize WIC participant needs.
- Distributed 30 fruit and vegetable boxes to clients.
- Staff participated in multiple outreach events in April, attending Alaska Literacy Project Health Education Day, Anchorage Health & Wellness Expo, the Mountain View Library, Bundles for Baby (JBER), Open House at Eagle River Clinic, and Children’s Day at Government Hill Elementary.
- Facebook: 42 posts; 5,285 reach.
- Instagram: 28 posts; 282 reach.

**WIC Breastfeeding Peer Counselor Program (BFPC)**

- Two Breastfeeding Peer Counselors (BFPC) are on staff, providing breastfeeding support to 113 women currently enrolled. Three trainees will be certified and ready to see clients in May.
- 53 total contacts were made in April to the 113 enrollees.
- Facebook: 14 posts: 1,447 reach.
- Instagram: 12 posts; 157 reach.

**WIC Goal:** *Increase enrollment and participation to roughly 9,557 participants by 2025.*

Anchorage Health Department WIC Clinic Data Outcomes:

![Graph showing total participation and enrollment by month.]
SNAP-Ed Program
SNAP-Ed Mission: *SNAP-Ed teaches people how to make their SNAP dollars stretch, how to shop for and cook healthy meals, and how to stay physically active.* SNAP-Ed initiatives include *nutrition education classes, social marketing campaigns, and efforts to improve policies, systems, and the environment of communities.*

- Preparation of nutrition education materials to present at farmer’s markers.
- Nutrition educator facilitated food and nutrition discussions and cooking lessons each week in April at Akeela Stepping Stones; 6-9 participants weekly. Weekly cooking activities at two Covenant House locations.
- Every Bite Counts Campaign ongoing: A Statewide social marketing campaign that AHD SNAP-Ed and WIC Outreach promotes through social media, large print posters, nutrition education classes materials, AHD SNAP-Ed website, and flyers.
  - Facebook 8 Posts per month average reach is 418 per post.
  - Instagram 6 Posts per month average reach is 293 per post.
Community Health Nursing (CHN):

- We continue to provide Immunizations Records and COVID Card Replacements upon request and with a 2-3 business day turnaround.
- Tracked 1 case of Salmonella, 1 case of Non-Typical invasive Haemophilus Influenzas, 3 cases of Varicella, 1 case of Shigellosis, 1 case of Invasive Haemophilus Influenza disease Type B, 1 case of Typhoid fever, 1 case of Leprosy, 1 case of Shiga toxin-producing e. Coli (STEC) infection

Disease Prevention and Control (DPC)

Immunizations

- AHD Clinic (scheduled appointments and walk-ins, to include vaccines given during TB or sexual health services): 110 Routine vaccines were provided:
  - 0 Pfizer bivalent
  - 9 Moderna bivalent
  - 0 high-dose flu (65yo or older)
  - 2 regular-dose flu (64yo and younger)
  - 3 PPD (purified protein derivative)
  - 0 Mpox (monkeypox)
  - 96 assorted other
- Beginning May 1, 2023, AHD will offer Moderna for COVID only. The age range is now 6 months to Life. This will reduce vaccine waste.

Tuberculosis Control

- We treated and case managed 12 clients with Active TB.
  - TB tests performed IGRA: 72
  - Tuberculosis Skin Test: 2
Active TB Treated

Latent TB Treated
Sexual Health Clinic (SHC)

- STI express service is a walk-in screening focused specifically on STI screenings with low barriers and no cost to client that can reduce visit times, decrease time to treatment, and use provider time more efficiently.

- 97 clients seen in the STI self-referral walk-in clinic ages 15 – 65 years old; 2 during outreach.

- **STI**

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Substance Initiative in PHN Grant

- 59 Naloxone opioid kits given out by AHD in April.
  - 13 by Sexual Health Clinic.
  - 20 kits by HIM/clinic front desk staff.
  - 26 kits during outreach events.

HIV Prevention

- 3,180 condoms distributed (at various locations citywide to include 825 L St.).
**TUPP (Teen Unintended Pregnancy Prevention)**
- 96 teen youth in four cohorts educated on age-appropriate sexual health at two 8th-grade middle schools, one high school and Covenant house.
- April was Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM)
  - AHD promoted awareness and survivor resources on social media.
  - Filmed a PSA with STAR and AWAIC for social media.
  - Attended one SAMM outreach event.

**BOARDS & COMMISSIONS 2023 MEETING DATES**
Note: ADA Commission not presently active

**JUNE**
- 1 Thursday 4:00-5:30 Anchorage Women’s Commission
- 7 Wednesday 4:00-5:30 Homeless, Housing & Neighborhood Development Commission
- 22 Thursday 5:30-7:00 Animal Control Advisory Board
- 28 Wednesday 10:00-Noon Senior Citizens Advisory Commission