May 3, 2023
Assembly Health Policy Committee

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

Director’s Office

- The Get Moving Anchorage campaign continued in March asking participants to send photos of THREE healthy meals (you need to eat them AND photograph them). March saw 6 participants. Challenges can be submitted online through our form library: https://forms.anchoragepublichealth.com/get-moving/. The April challenge requires you to participate in FOUR activities that improve your mental or physical wellness.
- Anchorage Opioid Taskforce will restart in Q2/Q3 to reengage with the proposed plan and look at funding projects with the settlement dollars.
- The AHD Medicare Taskforce met on April 6, 2023 and was held at the Anchorage Neighborhood Health Center (ANHC). A previously suggested mission statement of connecting Medicare insured individuals with Medicare providers was approved and has already been met. The committee reviewed initial draft copies of information to be sent out publicly that provide Medicare provider contact information, as well as other pertinent items of information. A further discussion ensued as to what other peripheral to our mission statement should be addressed; that topic will be continued at the next meeting to be held Thursday, April 27, 2023, from 10:30-12:30 at the Anchorage Neighborhood Health Center.
Recruitment efforts remain the same as February 2023.

**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: 622
- Responded to calls: 1,304
- Transported: 516
- Unduplicated clients: 344

Overall, 344 individuals utilized services more than once therefore creating 622 intakes/occurrences due to multiple visits.
Public Health Division

Environmental Health Services (EH):

- The EH Program addressed 73 Complaints in March.
- Performed 250 inspections.
- Made 1,017 Customer Service contacts.
- Renewed 74 Liquor and Marijuana retail licenses.
- Responded to three food borne illness reports.
- Completed one and worked on 15 plan reviews.
- Issued 44 permits.
- Food Worker Cards issued: 8.
The chart below is an indicator that in-person events and inspections are starting to get back to normal numbers after COVID closures in 2020 and to some extent in 2021.
**Women, Infants & Children Program (WIC):**

- March WIC participant total: 3,901
- Staff orientation complete for utilization of the Mobile Clinic to provide WIC services throughout the community.
- Opened Eagle River WIC Clinic on March 14, 2023.
- 4,621 postcards sent to potential participants identified from State of Alaska’s monthly Medicaid list.
- 110 One Call Now text messages sent to OCS clients identified by the State of Alaska.
- Outreach Team partnered with City Hall’s communication specialist to put together radio and television advertisements.
- Signed up Red Apple as a vendor to provide outreach and Fresh Bucks services. Assisted Johnny’s Produce with becoming a new vendor to enhance our Fresh Bucks and WIC partnership.
- Hosted first come, first serve fruit and vegetable donation boxes to WIC participants.
- WIC and SNAP-Ed participated in the Alaska Farmers Market Association Summit.
- Facebook: 20 posts; 5,891 reach.
- Instagram: 10 posts; 163 reach.

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

- MOA was invited by State of Alaska to participate in a one-year pilot program to provide access to a breastfeeding tool to five of our BFPC staff along with ongoing feedback.
- Five Breastfeeding Peer Counselors (BFPC) are on staff, providing breastfeeding support to 177 women currently enrolled.
- 318 total contacts were made in March to the 177 enrollees.
- Facebook: 23 posts; 1,835 reach.
- Instagram: 14 posts; 223 reach.
- Hosted a Facebook Live event, SNAP-Ed Nutrition Educator completed a cooking demonstration, using WIC approved foods.
WIC Goal: *Increase enrollment and participation to roughly 9,557 participants by 2025.*

Anchorage Health Department WIC Clinic Data Outcomes:

**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.*

- Continued community partnerships with Alaska Food Coalition (AFC), Alaska Food Policy Council and SNAP Open Forum to support access to healthy foods for SNAP-eligible community members.
- Collaborated with Alaska Farmers Market Coalition to train 12 Farmers’ Market managers on accepting SNAP and promoting nutrition education events at their markets.
- Every Bite Counts Campaign: 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 16 Posts per month average reach is 358 per post.
  - Instagram 7 Posts per month average reach is 128 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 one case of Salmonella, one case of Campylobacteriosis, one case of Varicella, one case of Shigellosis, one case of Invasive Haemophilus disease.

Disease Prevention and Control (DPC)

Immunizations
- AHD Clinic (scheduled appointments and walk-ins, to include vaccines given during TB or sexual health services): 104 Routine vaccines were provided:
  - 11 Pfizer bivalent
  - 1 Moderna bivalent
  - 0 high-dose flu (65yo or older)
  - 14 regular-dose flu (64yo and younger)
  - 3 PPD (purified protein derivative)
  - 3 Mpox (monkeypox)
  - 72 assorted other

Tuberculosis Control
- We treated and case managed 12 clients with Active TB.
  - TB tests performed IGRA: 106
  - Tuberculosis Skin Test: 3
**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.

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

- **STI**
  - Chlamydia Trachomatis (CT) Tested 46  Pos 20
  - Neisseria Gonorrhoeae or Gonorrhea Clampier (GC) Tested 46  Pos 14
  - Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Tested 20  Pos 0
  - Hepatitis C (HCV) Tested 20  Pos 0
  - Syphilis Tested 4  Pos 4

[Graphs showing TB Tests Performed and STI Tests Performed]
Substance Initiative in PHN Grant

- 59 Naloxone opioid kits given out by AHD in March.
  - 13 by Sexual Health Clinic.
  - Six kits by HIM/clinic front desk staff.
  - 35 kits given at four community events: naloxone training (personal use) Fairview Recreation Staff, UAA’s Healthy Sexuality Fair, Bettye Davis African American Summit, & UAA’s Little Black Dress sexual assault awareness event.
**HIV Prevention**
- 20 rapid HIV tests provided.
- 5,000 condoms distributed (at various locations citywide to include 825 L St.).

**TUPP (Teen Unintended Pregnancy Prevention)**
- 99 teen youth in four cohorts educated on age-appropriate sexual health and healthy relationships at two 8th-grade middle schools, McLaughlin Youth Center, and OCS Independent Living foster teens.

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

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