



**July 5, 2023**

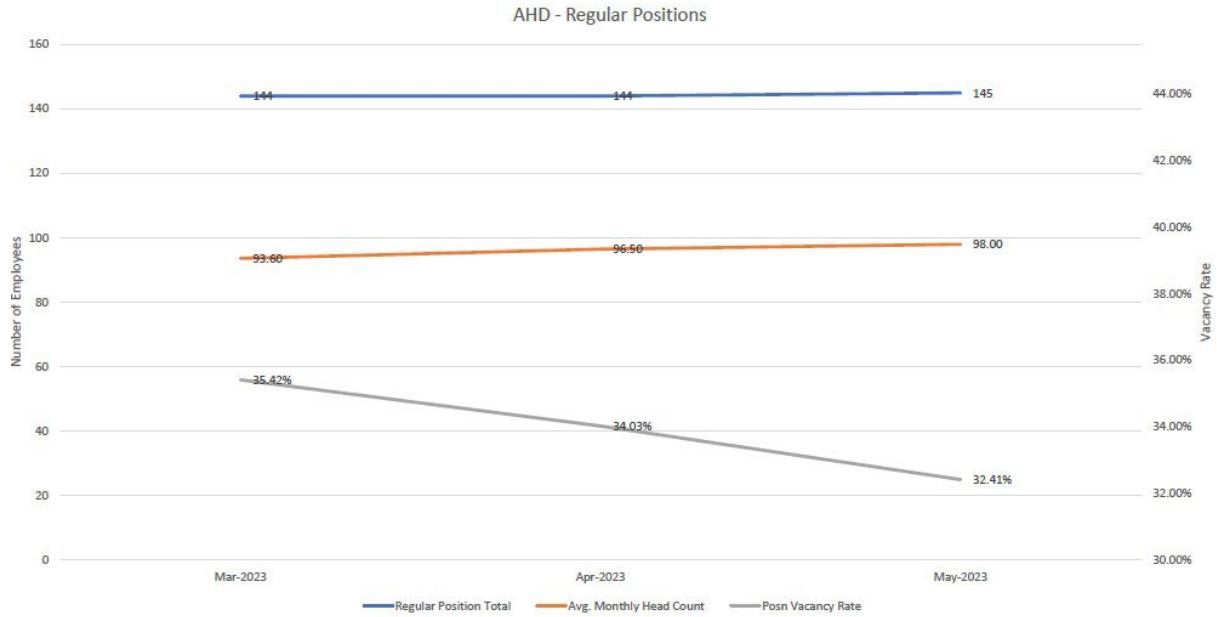
**Assembly Health Policy Committee**

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

**Director's Office**

- The May challenge of 'Fitness Fanatic' closes out the yearlong Get Moving Anchorage campaign. May saw 12 participants. Overall, a total of 38 individuals participated over the course of the challenge.
- The PIO is working with the various divisions to update materials, such as rack cards, flyers, and brochures as well as making edits to the MOA website.
- AHD partnered with the State of Alaska Department of Health Project Hope to build about 2,800 opioid rescue kits. This event was open to the public and had several community members volunteer to help build the kits. Mayor Bronson attended along with Chief Equity Officer Junior Aumavae.
- The PIO is re-engaging the Opioid Task Force and creating a work plan for the remainder of 2023.

Human Resources

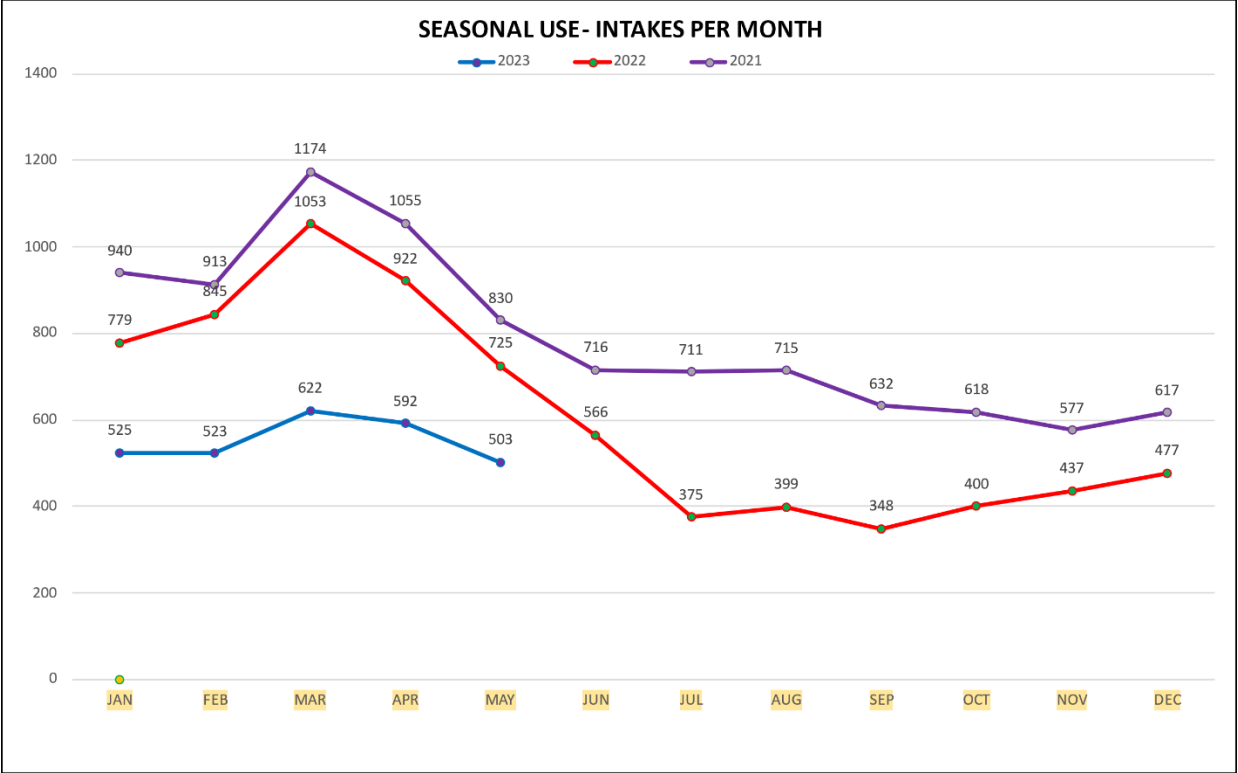


Recruitment efforts remain the same.

**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: 503
- Responded to calls: 1,005
- Transported: 301
- Unduplicated clients: 308

Overall, 308 individuals utilized services more than once therefore creating 503 intakes/occurrences due to multiple visits.

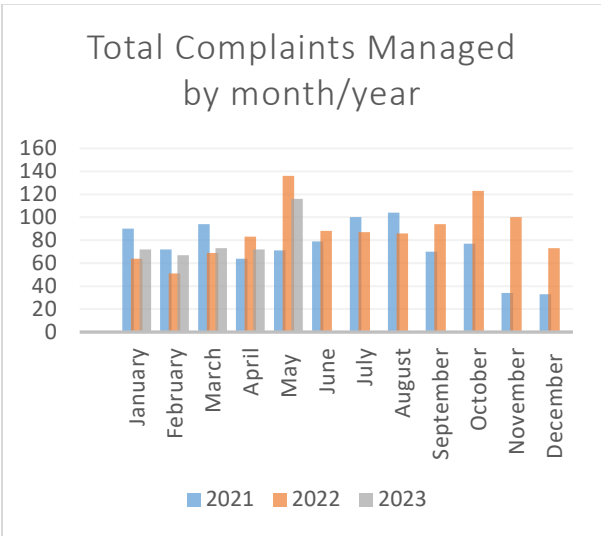
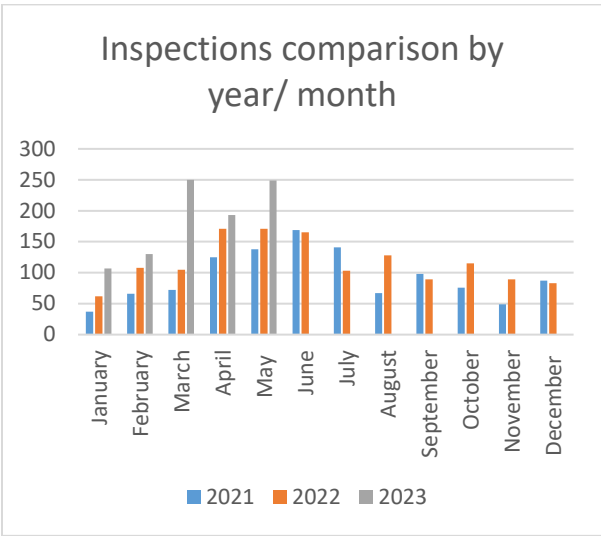


	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
2023	525	523	622	592	503							
2022	779	845	1053	922	725	566	375	399	348	400	437	477
2021	940	913	1174	1055	830	716	711	715	632	618	577	617

**Public Health Division**

**Environmental Health Services (EH):**

- The EH Program addressed 116 Complaints in May.
- Performed 249 inspections.
- Made 1,278 Customer Service contacts.
- Renewed 29 Liquor and Marijuana retail licenses.
- Responded to 8 food borne illness reports.
- Plan Reviews Completed 11. Plan Reviews worked 26.
- Issued 204 permits.
- Issued 7 Food Worker Cards.



### **Women, Infants & Children Program (WIC):**

- May WIC participant total: 3,908.
- Collaborated with *Alaska Channel* to develop additional WIC advertising campaigns for *People Mover*.
- Outreach: Heavily focused on childcare and medical provider outreach.
  - Introductory packages prepared and distributed for every identified childcare and medical provider within MOA. An email with the same information including applications to provide to their clients, was sent following each visit.
  - WIC and SNAP-Ed partnered provide nutrition education at *Mountain View Library*.
  - WIC Outreach Team made a concerted effort to expand the knowledge of how to effectively utilize social media to obtain desired outcomes for the program.
  - Flyers and brochures dropped off at surrounding businesses in Eagle River.
  - Attended *Girdwood Health Clinic* to provide outreach the Early Childhood Activities Fair.
- Initiated the process of updating each staff member's position description to reflect the work they are required to do per our grant agreement with the State of Alaska.
- State of Alaska trained staff on how to provide WIC Farmers' Market Coupons to WIC participants. This program will roll out in June.
- Two staff members attended the *2023 National WIC Association Annual Education and Training Conference* in San Diego, CA.
- Discussion with *Food Bank of Alaska* and *Head Start* to develop a partnership to better serve the Anchorage area struggling with food insecurity.
- Facebook: 30 posts; 1,923 reach.
- Instagram: 28 posts; 519 reach.

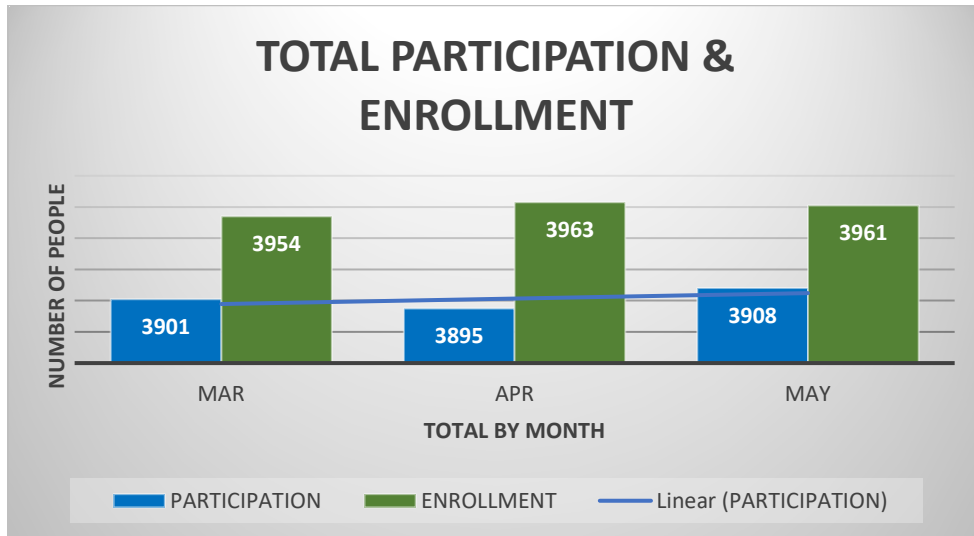
### **WIC Breastfeeding Peer Counselor Program (BFPC)**

*Provide consistent education, support, and guidance to breastfeeding participants.*

- Five Breastfeeding Peer Counselors (BFPC) are on staff, providing breastfeeding support to 184 women currently enrolled.
- 701 total contacts were made in May to the 184 enrollees.
- In-person The Lactation Club (TLC) education session held at Frontierland Park.
- Facebook: 9 posts: 244 reach.
- Instagram: 10 posts; 51 reach.

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.*

- Facilitated nutrition education classes utilizing the practice models, *Around the Table* and *Plan, Shop, Save, & Cook* at *Covenant House Alaska* and *Akeela Steeping Stones* each week.
- Participated and supported the Food Bank of Alaska Coalition at their monthly meetings to discuss Alaska and Anchorage’s food supply issues. The plan is in its evaluation stage.
- Participated in the Alaska Food Coalition (AFC) Federal Farm Bill updates to discuss the SNAP backlog. As of now, SNAP still maintains a heavy backlog. It’s anticipated that recruitment efforts to fill vacancies will begin this year.
- SNAP Open forum held; WIC Outreach Educator attended.
- Partnered with Alaska Farmers Market Association (AFMA) Collaboration to provide a literacy activity called, “Write a Letter to a Farmer” at *Reading Rendezvous*, an event hosted at the Loussac Library.
- Provided nutrition education to community members each Tuesday at Mountain View Library.
- Partnered with WIC on “Every Bite Counts” to increase awareness through social media, large print posters, nutrition education classes materials, AHD SNAP-Ed website, and flyers hung in the community.
  - Facebook Posts; 2,418 reach.
  - Instagram Posts; 70 reach.

**Community Health Nursing (CHN):**

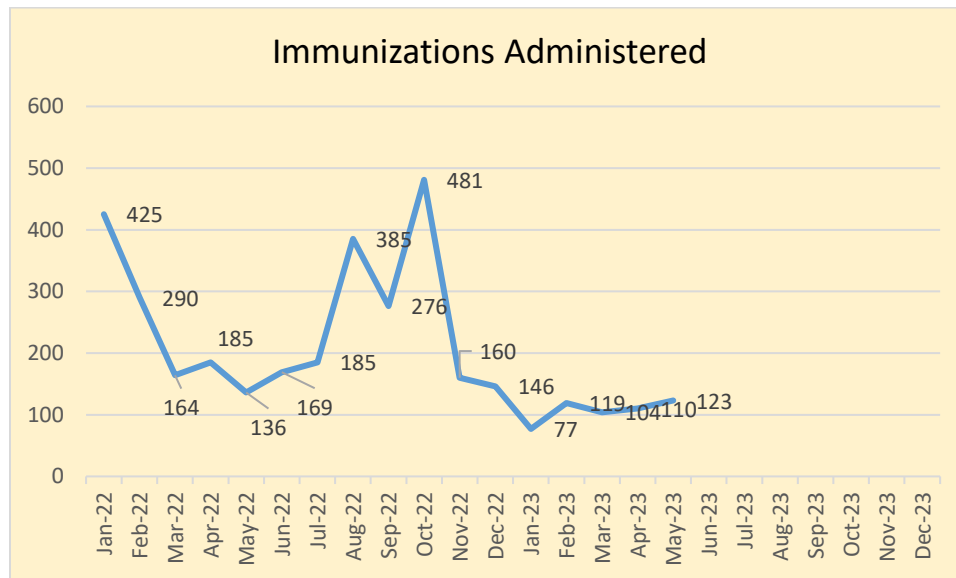
- We continue to provide Immunizations Records and COVID Card Replacements upon request and with a 2-3 business day turnaround.
- Tracked 17 pathogen cases.

Pathogens	Tracked cases – May 2023
Campylobacteriosis	1
Hepatitis A	1
Legionellosis	3
Salmonellae	4
Shiga toxigenic E. coli	1
Typhoid fever	1
Varicella	5
Yersiniosis	1

**Disease Prevention and Control (DPC)**

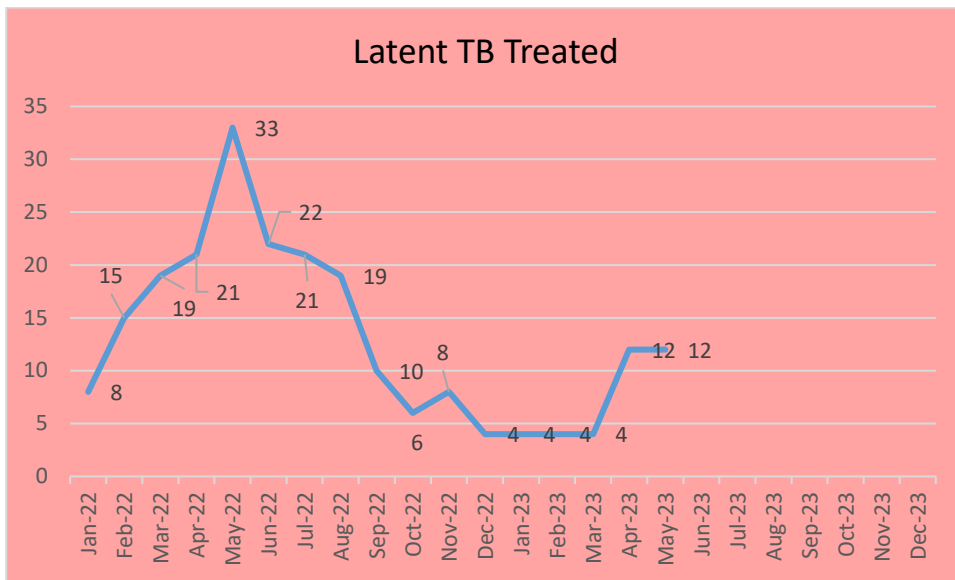
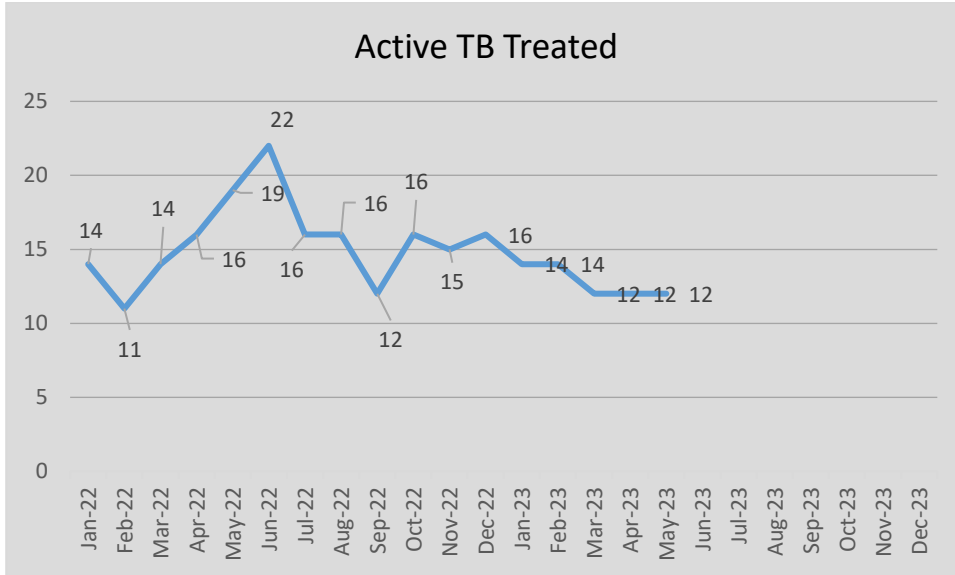
*Immunizations*

- AHD Clinic (scheduled appointments and walk-ins, to include vaccines given during TB or sexual health services): 123 Routine vaccines were provided:
  - 0 Pfizer bivalent (no longer offered)
  - 25 Moderna bivalent
  - 0 high-dose flu (65yo or older)
  - 0 regular-dose flu (64yo and younger)
  - 0 PPD (purified protein derivative)
  - 0 Mpox (monkeypox)
  - 98 assorted other

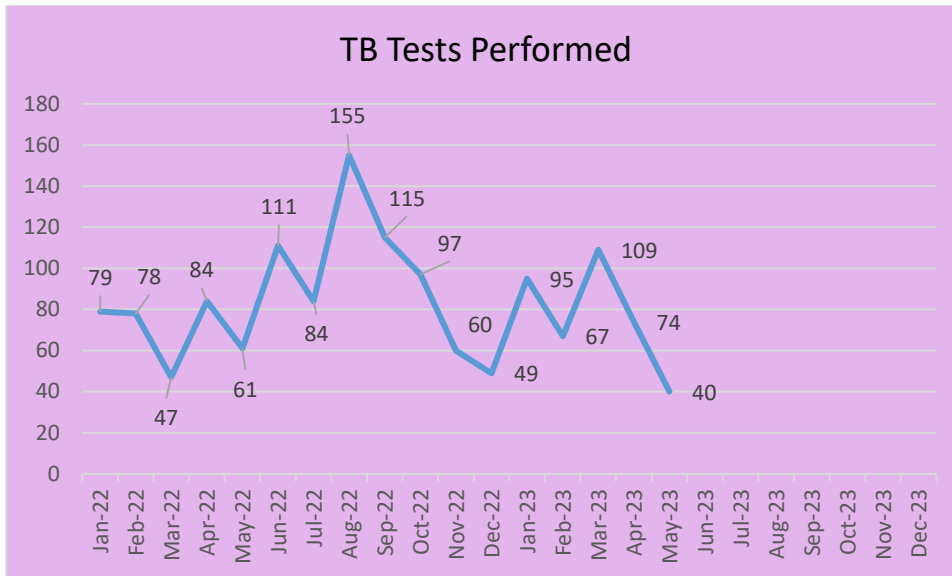


**Tuberculosis Control**

- We treated and case managed 12 clients with Active TB.
  - TB tests performed IGRA: 33
  - Tuberculosis Skin Test: 7



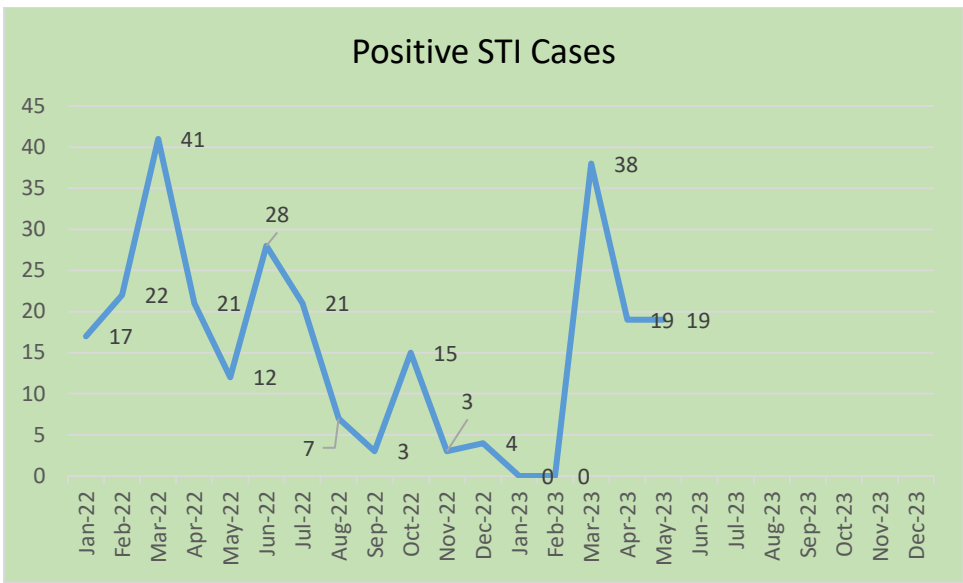
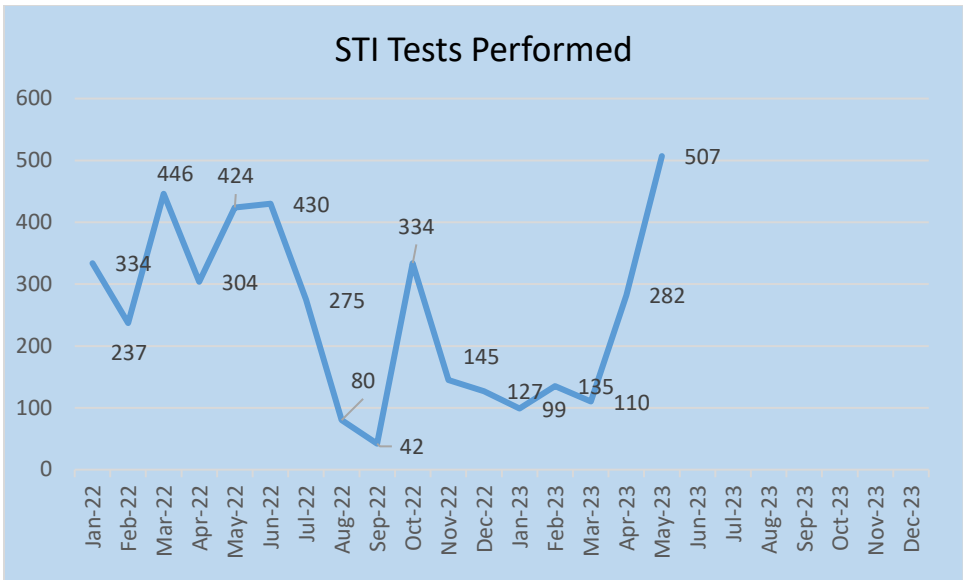




**Sexual Health Clinic (SHC)**

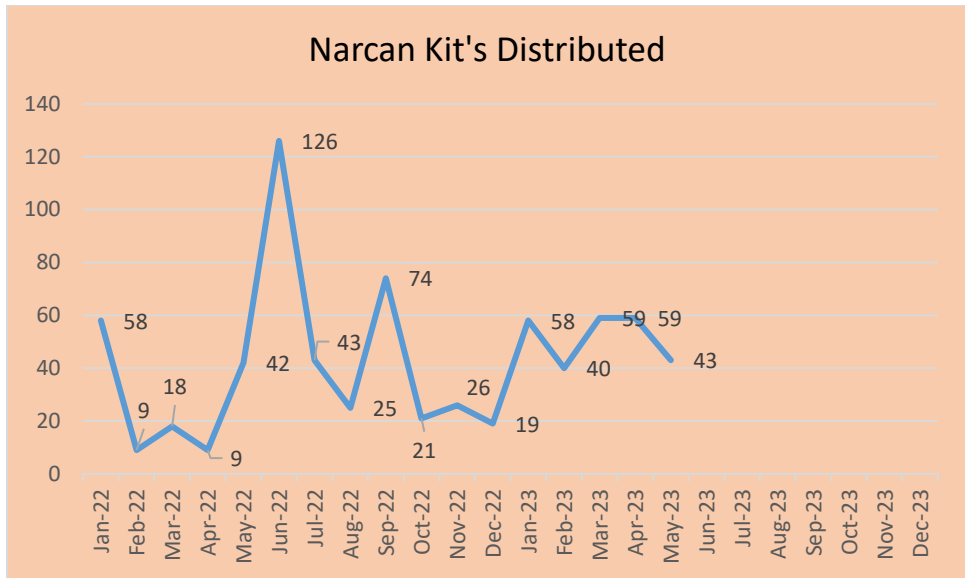
- STI express service is a walk-in screening focused specifically on STI screenings with low barriers and no cost to client that can reduce visit times, decrease time to treatment, and use provider time more efficiently.
- 93 clients seen in the STI self-referral walk-in clinic ages 15 – 65 years old; 4 during outreach.

STI	Tested	Pos
Chlamydia Trachomatis (CT)	91	7
Neisseria Gonorrhoeae or Gonorrhea Clampier (GC)	91	9
Syphilis	78	1
Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)	96	0
Hepatitis C (HCV)	79	1
Hepatitis B (HBV)	72	1



**Substance Initiative in PHN Grant**

- 43 Naloxone opioid kits given out by AHD in May.
  - 9 by Sexual Health Clinic.
  - 27 kits by HIM/clinic front desk staff.
  - 7 kits during outreach events.



**HIV Prevention**

- 3,769 condoms distributed (at various locations citywide to include 825 L St.).

**TUPP (Teen Unintended Pregnancy Prevention)**

- 367 teen youth in 14 cohorts educated on age-appropriate sexual health at six schools (8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades).
- Health Educator attended the Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Grantee Conference sponsored by the US Dept of Health & Human Services Administration.

**BOARDS & COMMISSIONS 2023 MEETING DATES**

Note: ADA Commission not presently active

JULY	5	Wednesday	4:00-5:30	Homeless, Housing & Neighborhood Development Commission
	6	Thursday	4:00-5:30	Anchorage Women’s Commission
	12	Wednesday	5:30-7:00	Health & Human Services Commission
	26	Wednesday	10:00-Noon	Senior Citizens Advisory Commission
	27	Thursday	5:30-7:00	Animal Control Advisory Board

Actively recruiting for Board/Commission Vacancies:

Homeless, Housing & Neighborhood Development Commission	1
Anchorage Women’s Commission	1
Health & Human Services Commission	1
Senior Citizens Advisory Commission	1
Animal Control Advisory Board	1