



**Public Health**  
Prevent. Promote. Protect.  
Dayton & Montgomery County



# Monthly Update

August 2017

*Our mission is to lead and innovate by working with our community to achieve the goals of public health: prevention, promotion, and protection.*



## Clinic Renovation

Construction work continues on schedule for the Reibold 3<sup>rd</sup> floor Clinic renovations. Drywall work has been completed and primer painting and some finish painting has taken place. Floor leveling has started and will continue to be completed as other contractors finish in the spaces. Rough-in plumbing, electrical, and HVAC continue in the last few areas. Limited finish plumbing work has started in some restroom areas, and LED ceiling fixtures are installed to light up areas where finish work has begun. Built-in case work is starting to arrive for installation. All data and security cable is installed and ready for testing and termination.

Public Health programs moving to the new 3<sup>rd</sup> floor space include:

- Home Care
- Immunization Clinic
- IAP Program
- Medical Records
- Public Information
- Refugee Program
- STD Clinic
- TB Clinic



## Strategic Plan for 2018-2020

The kickoff meeting for the development of our agency Strategic Plan for 2018-2020 is scheduled for Friday, August 18 and will be facilitated by our contractor, Evident Analytics.

Evident Analytics will be meeting with our staff in the morning, and our Board of Health and community partners in the afternoon. In addition to this kickoff meeting there will be opportunities to provide input on the Strategic Plan including an online survey, interviews, and focus groups.



## Accreditation Update

Our Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB) site review is scheduled for November 6 and 7. The Site Visitors are public health professionals from Indiana, Kentucky and Michigan and are here to learn from us as much as we are to learn from them.

To prepare for the site visit we will be doing the following:

- providing specific training for our staff on how to access documents in e-PHAB and how to use Descriptions of Evidence (DOEs) to prepare for the site visit
- participating in a webinar by our consultant, a former Accreditation Coordinator and 5 time PHAB site visitor, to review the process for a typical site visit interview and learn how to prepare our materials
- conducting a mock site visit from October 2 – 6 which will include key staff, Board of Health members and community partners
- addressing any concerns identified during the mock site visit



## Montgomery County Fair

This was the last year that the Montgomery County Fair was held at the Fairgrounds in downtown Dayton after 160 years. The fair will have a new location next year. There were a wide variety of events and attractions, including the fair foods. Inspectors were out during the week inspecting 23 mobile and temporary food vendors. They checked to make sure foods were being held and cooked to correct temperatures and being handled in a safe manner.



With swine flu being found in swine at county fairs this year, organizers were given information and signage, provided by the Ohio Department of Health, to display in the barns and animal areas. The signs and pamphlets encouraged those that came into contact with animals to wash their hands and not eat or drink in the animal areas. The goal was to educate and maintain the health of the public regarding the transmission of swine flu. Inspectors walked through the animal areas and ensured that the stationary and portable hand sanitizing stations were provided at the entrance and exits of the animal barns.



## West Nile Virus Update

With the assistance from two Wright State University Environmental Health interns, Public Health has been trapping and testing mosquitoes for West Nile Virus (WNV) throughout Montgomery County since early May of this year. While the statewide WNV infection rate in mosquitoes is moderate relative to our last outbreak year in 2012, the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) is reporting a steady increase in WNV infections in mosquitoes in Ohio. This coincides with the recent reports from ODH of WNV positive mosquito pools collected in Montgomery County in July.

Public Health has collected mosquitoes from 123 traps in Montgomery County. Ten positive WNV mosquito pools have been collected in: City of Dayton, City of Huber Heights, City of Riverside, City of Trotwood, City of Vandalia, and Five Rivers MetroParks.

With the rapidly increasing infection rates in mosquitoes, it is very important that efforts to educate the public about how to avoid mosquito bites and reduce mosquito breeding are continued. Informational pamphlets on minimizing exposure to mosquitoes and West Nile Virus were distributed by Public Health staff in the neighborhoods near the location of the WNV positive mosquito pools.

It is also important to continue with control efforts where possible. Through agreements with contracting jurisdictions, Public Health has conducted limited night-time applications of mosquito adulticides in the areas of the WNV mosquito pools.



**MOMS & BABIES FIRST**  
Ohio's Black Infant Vitality Program

## Healthy Mommy - Healthy Baby Has a New Name!

Public Health's Healthy Mommy - Healthy Baby program has a new name. The Ohio Department of Health, Early Childhood Home Visiting Section is pleased to announce that the Ohio Infant Mortality Reduction Initiative (OIMRI) is now the Moms & Babies First Program: Ohio's Black Infant Vitality Program.

### What is Moms & Babies First?

Moms & Babies First is a free, voluntary service for eligible pregnant women that promotes black infant vitality by supporting healthy pregnancies and positive birth outcomes by reducing health disparities.

### What is the Goal for the Program?

The goal for the Moms & Babies First Program is to achieve optimal pregnancy outcomes and help ensure children thrive throughout the first year of life by:

- decreasing African American maternal and infant mortality
- improving African American maternal, infant, and family health
- reducing health disparities in the African American community and fostering sustained family resilience



### **COAT Participates in Town Hall Meeting**

Public Health and representatives from the Community Overdose Action Team participated in a Town Hall Meeting on July 11 about the drug overdose crisis taking place in Montgomery County. The event was hosted by Fox 45 TV and was broadcast live on TV and streamed on Facebook. The discussion featured experts from law enforcement, government, public health and recovery and treatment providers. Dayton Mayor Nan Whaley, Lt. Governor Mary Taylor, Montgomery County Sheriff Phil Plummer and Lori Enron from Family of Addicts were among the participants. Various topics were discussed that highlighted some of the strategies and challenges going forward to combat this crisis.

### **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Visit**

On July 11, representatives from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) met with the Community Overdose Action Team Backbone Support, and the Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) Behavioral Health Advisory Group. The CDC is collaborating with the Drug Enforcement Agency and the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas Program to implement pilot projects in areas that have been hit hardest by the opioid crisis.

CDC is interested in bridging public health and public safety by working with Montgomery County to develop, implement and evaluate a pilot project. Information was gathered from the stakeholders interviewed and a follow-up conference call was conducted on July 31. Options for a pilot project included:

- expansion of buprenorphine-based medication assisted treatment which may include an expansion of the number of prescribing physicians
- interim buprenorphine maintenance and/or integration of buprenorphine induction/initiation into mobile syringe exchange
- new direct care and services facility for people who use opioids, which may include establishing a 24/7 urgent care center
- expansion of evidence-based interventions into criminal justice settings, which includes expansion of naloxone distribution for those incarcerated and medication assisted treatment in the criminal justice settings

The information will be presented to by the Backbone Support and to additional key stakeholders for input. A follow-up call will be scheduled with CDC next week to continue to discuss the pilot project options presented.



### Media Opportunities:

Channels 7, 2, 45 on **Rep. Turner Opioid Crisis News Conference** (7/10/17)

Channel 45 on **Opioid Crisis Town Hall Meeting** (7/11/17)

Premier Health Magazine on **Opioid Crisis** (7/12/17)

Channel 7 on **Expired Baby Food** (7/17/17)

Living Dayton Health Publication on **30 Smoke-free Days** (7/17/17)

Living Dayton on **West Nile Virus** (7/20/17)

News Release on **Night Out Against Crime** (7/27/17)



### Outreach Events

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| 7/8/2017  | McKinley United Methodist Church Festival and Health Fair        |
| 7/14/2017 | Third Annual Community Engagement Fair at the Opportunity Center |
| 7/15/2017 | Millat Industries 3rd Annual Health & Wellness Fair              |
| 7/17/2017 | KidX Event at the Dayton Mall                                    |
| 7/22/2017 | Rising Star Missionary Baptist Church Community Day              |
| 7/22/2017 | Community Day Celebration  |
| 7/27/2017 | National HIV Testing Day at Drew Health Center                   |
| 7/29/2017 | Hoop for your Heart at Everybody Fitness                         |

## Stat of the Month...

***During the 2016-2017 flu season (Oct. 2016 to May 2017), there were 625 reported Influenza-associated hospitalizations of Montgomery County residents.***

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