# THE SANILAC COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT FY2017/2018 Annual Report



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#### Protecting People and the Environment Since 1937

Our Continuing Mission: To protect against disease and disability, to promote health and well-being, and to enhance the quality of life in Sanilac County.

### Sanilac County Health



#### A VITAL PART OF THE COMMUNITY











Assuring and enhancing the quality of local public health in Michigan



## Message from the Health Officer

As the Health Officer for the Sanilac County Health Department, I am very proud to present to our Board of Health, Board of Commissioners, partners, public health colleagues, staff and clients, the 2018 Sanilac County Health Department's Annual Report.

By providing an annual report to our Sanilac County citizens, it allows the department an opportunity to be transparent in our efforts to serve our clients and further show case the public health services offered throughout the past year. Also, it provides the department's administrative team an opportunity to reflect on our program offerings, the opportunity to review services rendered and plans to shore up those areas we believe can grow in order to serve Sanilac County's needs.

The year has been busy as we move forward on collecting community health assessment data and creating a Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP). As a supplement to this report, please visit the Michigan Thumb Public Health Alliance webpage to view our current CHIP at <a href="https://www.mithumbpha.org">www.mithumbpha.org</a>.

We look forward to serving our citizens in the betterment by giving children, adults, and the elderly an opportunity to live healthy and productive lives as Sanilac County residents.

Bryant J Wilke, RS, MPH Health Officer

### 2018 Board of Health

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# Medical Director: Mustafa Mark Hamed, M.D., M.B.A., M.P.H.

Motivated. Motivated to serve their communities. That is how I would describe the individuals from the Sanilac County Health Department who serve their communities in the Public Health spectrum. These are the people who work tirelessly to promote the health and safety of their community and their environment.

These are folks who work hard, and they do it for all the right reasons. They care deeply for their communities and they realize that their efforts today will help promote the health of their communities for generations to come. Their motivation to work hard, for all corners of the community, is just amazing to me. I first noticed this when I came to the area as a McKenzie Health System physician in 2011. SCHD was always a helpful resource for needs that our mutual ER and Health Department patients had. In October 2018, I was given the honor to take over the Medical Director role previously held by Dr. Russell Bush before he retired. He left some very large shoes to fill and it has been an amazing privilege to serve Sanilac County in this capacity.

The Sanilac County Health Department has been working hard to help the residents of Sanilac County. They have taken on the difficult subject of increasing awareness of human trafficking, helped increase access to dental care for individuals, have led efforts in immunizations of some of the most venerable populations, have taught new mothers how to successfully breastfeed, and are helping to provide resources to residents with addiction problems ranging from alcohol and tobacco, to helping to provide resources to residents afflicted by opioid use disorders and addiction. Their Maternal and Infant Health Program has helped educate new mothers to the fine art of breastfeeding through their breastfeeding classes and have even been active supporters of the Maternal Health Awareness Education programs to help woman through pregnancy and the post-partum period. These are just a few examples of how the SCHD is serving their community in such a big way.

Michigan's public health arena is experiencing very challenging times, the likes of which are almost unprecedented. Sanilac County has positioned itself to be ahead of others in taking on these issues. I am a firm believer that challenges lead to innovation, and I'm surrounded by extremely motivated, caring and innovative individuals at the SCHD.

It is an honor to be a team member of such a caring and motivated group of individuals who are dedicated to their community!

#### What is Public Health?

Public health is the science and art of protecting and improving the health of individuals, families and communities through promotion of healthy lifestyles, preventive medicine, monitoring of environmental hazards, and detection and control of infectious diseases.

The local public health department, in partnership with a complex web of other agencies and organizations, is tasked with delivering the Ten Essential Public Health Services:

Monitor health status to identify community health problems.

Diagnose and investigate health problems and health hazards in the community.

Inform, educate and empower people about health issues.

**Mobilize** community partnerships to identify and solve health problems.

**Develop policies and plans** that support individual and community health efforts.

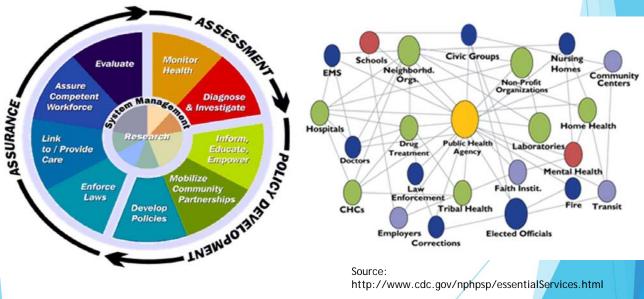
**Enforce** laws and regulations that protect health and ensure safety.

Link people to needed personal health services and assure the provision of health care when otherwise unavailable.

**Assure** a competent public health and personal health care workforce.

Evaluate effectiveness, accessibility and quality of personal and population-based health services.

**Research** for new insights and innovative solutions to health problems.

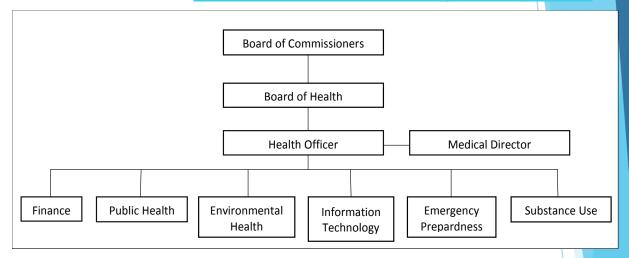


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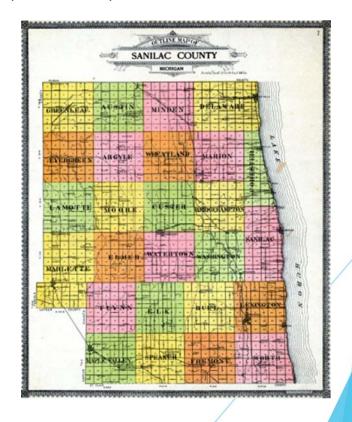
#### Who Are We?

The Sanilac County Health Department employs professional, friendly people who are dedicated to serving this community.

Check out our programs and services at <a href="https://www.sanilachealth.com">www.sanilachealth.com</a> or on Facebook at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/SanilacCountyHealthDepartment">www.facebook.com/SanilacCountyHealthDepartment</a>



The Health Department is overseen by the Board of Health, the Health Officer and Medical Director. We have twenty-eight staff members, (including all full time, part time, and contractual employees) and provide coverage and services to 41,382 county residents in 26 townships over 960 square miles.



#### **Public Health**

It's not just what we do, it's what's improved because of what we do. When things are quiet, public health is doing it's job.

Public health and safety isn't all bells and whistles, lights and sirens - It's immunizations, food inspections, education, emergency preparedness, new baby visits, disease surveillance, and so much more.

#### 1937

Population: 30,000

**Budget: \$16,734** 

County money: 7%

Nurses: 3

Sanitarians: 1

**Medical Director/Doctor: 1** 

**Infant Mortality Rate:** 

51.3 per 1000 children

#### 2018

Population: 41,382

**Budget: \$2.4 million** 

County money: .01%

Nurses: 7

Sanitarians: 3

**Medical Director/Doctor: 1** 

**Infant Mortality Rate:** 

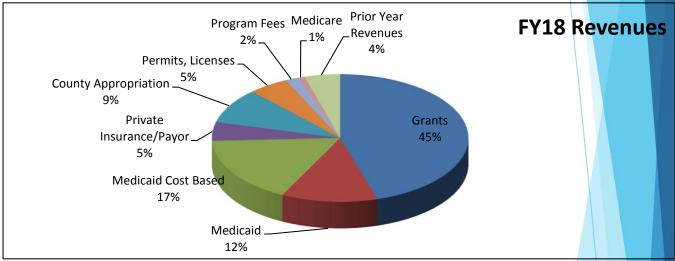
5.3 per 1000 children

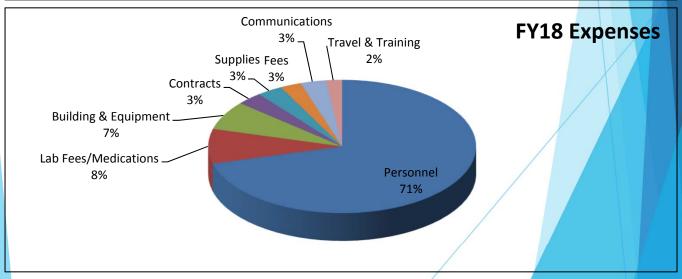
#### ANY CORRELATION BETWEEN PUBLIC HEALTH AND THE COMMUNITY? YES!

Safe food, clean beach water = increased tourism
Immunizations = reduced illnesses, fewer communicable diseases
Wells/Septic fields = safe drinking water, proper sewage treatment
Vision/hearing screening = school readiness
Emergency Preparedness = community self-reliance and resiliency
Nutrition/education for moms and babies = healthy, thriving children
and the list goes on ...

### FY 2018 Actuals

Revenue	Amount	Percent	Expenses	Amount	Percent
Grants	\$ 1,057,128.00	43.94%	Personnel	\$ 1,679,175.0	0 69.80%
Medicaid	\$ 282,193.00	11.73%	Lab Fees/Medications	\$ 199,593.0	0 8.30%
Medicaid Cost Based	\$ 393,558.00	16.36%	Building & Equipment	\$ 165,508.0	0 6.88%
Private Insurance/Payor	\$ 110,295.00	4.58%	Contracts	\$ 73,807.0	0 3.07%
County Appropriation	\$ 208,700.00	8.68%	Supplies	\$ 73,390.0	0 3.05%
Permits, Licenses	\$ 118,266.00	4.92%	Fees	\$ 60,224.0	0 2.50%
Program Fees	\$ 39,570.00	1.64%	Communications	\$ 74,387.0	0 3.09%
Medicare	\$ 18,663.00	0.78%	Travel & Training	\$ 44,893.0	0 1.87%
Prior Year Revenues	\$ 104,474.00	4.34%	Miscellaneous Expenses	\$ 34,744.0	0 1.44%
Contributions	\$ 11,509.00	0.48%			
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$ 61,365.00	2.55%			
Total	\$ 2,405,721.00	100.00%	Total	\$ 2,405,721.0	0 100.00%





### 2018 FINANCIAL REPORT

#### Looking forward comparing the FY2018 and FY2019 Budgets

2018 Budget			2019 Budget		
Personnel	\$	1,767,714	Personnel	\$	1,864,018
Supplies	\$	77,116	Supplies	\$	122,504
Lab Fees/Medications	\$	152,213	Lab Fees/Medications	\$	150,008
Contracts	\$	123,916	Contracts	\$	146,517
Communications	\$	28,947	Communications	\$	30,751
Building & Equipment	\$	135,734	Building & Equipment	\$	135,738
Travel & Training	\$	60,112	Travel & Training	\$	65,640
Fees	\$	115,741	Fees	\$	203,280
Grand Total	\$	2,461,493	Grand Total	\$	2,718,456

#### **Program Revenues**

The Sanilac County Health Department collects payments for licenses and permits requested through our Environmental Health Program. We also bill client and/or client's insurance for medical and professional services provided in our clinics or client's homes. This local support, in addition to grant funding, allows us to provide a solid public health infrastructure and address the essential needs of our community members.

Environmental Health Revenue		Medical/Professional Revenue			
Food Protection	\$	79,928	Family Planning	\$	13,951
Swimming Pools	\$	846	Maternal Infant Health	\$	72,060
Campgrounds	\$	6,046	Hearing & Vision	\$	5,106
Private Sewage	\$	39,810	Counseling Services	\$	173,325
Private Water	\$	21,614	Immunizations	\$	125,345
Body Art	\$	399	Lab Services	\$	4,133
Foster Home Inspections	\$	11,248		\$	
Grand Total	\$	159,891	Grand Total	\$	393,920

### GRANT REVENUES

The Sanilac County Health Department operates on funding from several state, federal and local grants. These grants help fund mandated programs as well as optional programs that have been determined to be beneficial to our county residents. SCHD strives to seek additional grant funding opportunities to help supplement our resources. It is SCHD's intent to continue to focus on writing for, and obtaining additional grant funding to help support the collaborative efforts of our agency and to provide much needed resources and education to our community. Generally, funds awarded through the state support small to mid-size programs, with minimal deliverables required. Funds could be awarded on an annual basis, or as funds remain available. Writing for federal grants typically requires many deliverables and funds would be utilized to introduce mid-size to large programs, with funding stretching over multiple fiscal years. Local funds are typically much smaller and would support a single focus of a large program (i.e. advertising or promotional items). When selecting grants to apply for, it's important to take into factor the extent of the grant requirements and whether or not it will enhance a current program offered by SCHD, or if it will require additional staff to oversee a brand new program. SCHD strives to ensure grant opportunities will only improve our efforts to effectively service our community, and not negatively impact the quality of service provided to our clients.

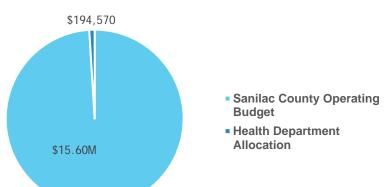
2018 Grants Summary					
Local & Non-Profit (1)	\$	47,500			
State Grants (15)	\$	681,280			
Federal Grants (8)	\$	226,176			
23 Total	\$	954,956			

### Local County Appropriations

A local appropriate from the County is a key component to the Health Department's ability to provide a required local match to programs that do not generate fee-for-service revenue, or those grants that require a local match. A local match is also necessary to utilize the Medicaid Cost Based Reimbursement (the difference between what it costs to provide services to Medicaid clients and what is received as fee-for-service payment). Current local match rates range from 34% to 50% of grant revenue/Medicaid Cost Based Reimbursement utilized.

The State of Michigan requires a county to meet a Maintenance of Effort contribution of \$88,584. This figure was established in 1992. If Maintenance of Effort is not met, the State will reduce Health Department grant funding. Had the State adjusted their Maintenance of Effort contribution annually for inflation, the minimum a County could appropriate to a Health Department would be approximately \$175,000. Currently the Health Department receives \$194,570 (gross appropriation less cost allocation plan) annually in support from the County, or .01% of the County's \$15.60 million budget.

#### **Local County Appropriations**



### PUBLIC HEALTH

Sanilac County Statistics from <a href="https://www.countyhealthrankings.org">www.countyhealthrankings.org</a>

Rankings are based on 83 counties in Michigan.

Indicator	2014 Sanilac/MI	2015 Sanilac/MI	2016 Sanilac/MI	2017 Sanilac/MI	2018 Sanilac/MI
Overall Health Outcomes	32	27	33	45	50
Overall Health Factors	54	61	49	47	42
Physical Environment	50	41	29	32	33
Social and Economic Factors	41	42	35	42	46
Quality of Life	19	24	19	27	43
% of Adults who Smoke	25/20	25/20	18/21	18/21	18/20
% Adult Obesity (BMI > 30)	36/32	36/32	34/32	31/31	30/31
%Excessive Drinking	20/18	20/18	20/20	20/20	21/21
Motor Vehicle Crash Death Rate	18/11	18/10	16/10	16/10	14/10
#Sexually Transmitted Infections	115/502	163/481	158.5/453.6	191.3/447.2	216.4/469.1
%Uninsured Adults	20/17	19/17	19/16	13/10	9/7
Ratio Primary Care Physicians	2,663:1/1268:1	2818:1/1246:1	3490:1/1240:1	2071:1/1279:1	3770:1/1250.1
% Unemployment	9.9/9.1	10.6/8.8	8.4/7.3	6.3/5.4	6/4.9
Community Safety (violent crime rate per 100,000 population)	202/478	196/464	196/464	241/444	241/444
Dentists	3522:1/1522:1	3485:1/1485:1	3470:1/1450:1	3460:1/1420:1	3450:1/1380:1

### WIC – Women, Infants, and Children

#### "WIC till age 5 and your children will thrive"

WIC is a supplemental food and nutrition program that gives families access to the foods necessary for optimal growth and development. This program serves pregnant and post-partum women, infants (birth - 12 months), and children (age 1 - 5 years).

Our WIC program provides food packages that consist of fresh produce, dairy, and whole grains as well as formula and baby food that can be redeemed at our area grocery stores. During the summer months WIC offers "Project Fresh" coupons, allowing our clients the benefit of shopping fresh fruits and vegetables at local farmer's markets.

WIC participants also receive a growth assessment at our clinic including height, weight, and head circumference completed by our WIC Technician. At this time our technician also performs lead and hemoglobin testing as indicated. All of these assessments are done to help our WIC CPA evaluate the health of our clients and provide referrals to the WIC nutritionist, if necessary.

For our breastfeeding mothers, WIC also offers the service of a Breastfeeding Peer Counselor. The WIC Breastfeeding Peer Counselor meets with mothers prenatally and after delivery to provide education on breastfeeding basics and offer support through shared experience. The goal of the Breastfeeding Peer Counselor is to increase the duration of breastfeeding to allow for the best health outcomes possible.

WIC is income based and targets our county's low income and Medicaid population to ensure all women (pregnant/post-partum) and children have means to access the proper nutrition essential to thrive and to educate families on the importance of good nutrition and healthy habits.

Fiscal Year of Service (October through September)	Average # of Clients
FY2017/2018	785
FY2016/2017	950
FY2015/2016	914
FY2014/2015	896
FY2013/2014	940

### MIHP – Maternal and Infant Health Program

"Keep yourself healthy during pregnancy, and keep your bab safe and healthy after delivery"

The Maternal and Infant Health Program (MIHP), is a home-based visiting program tailored to the maternal and infant population that receive Medicaid benefits. This program combines both nursing and social work specialties to provide clients with support and education uniquely specific to their needs during pregnancy and through baby's first year of life. In addition to offering in-home education and assessments, staff also assists clients by providing referrals for nutrition education with a registered dietician, parenting/childbirth classes, and breastfeeding support. MIHP staff also work diligently to connect families to community agencies and resources that may be helpful to their individual circumstances. MIHP delivers these services with a goal of reducing the rate of infant mortality and improving the quality of life for residents of Sanilac County.

Fiscal Year of Service (October through September)	Visits
FY2017/2018	1098
FY2016/2017	1251
FY2015/2016	1738
FY2014/2015	1836
FY2013/2014	1554



### CSHCS – Children's Special Healthcare Services

This program provides services to families with children who are diagnosed with congenital or chronic health conditions. Children's Special Health Care Services (CSHCS) works closely with Medicaid health plans to assist with scheduling specialty doctor appointments, transportation, travel reimbursement, and lodging for appointments. CSHCS also helps families gain access to medical equipment such as wheelchairs, van lifts, and ramps.

Over 2,700 conditions are covered under CSHCS including birth defects, asthma/severe allergies, diabetes, epilepsy, and cancer. Our CSHCS nurse maintains frequent contact with these families providing social, emotional, and educational support as they navigate through their circumstance, learn about their child's diagnosis, and define their specific needs. The goal of CSHCS is to advocate for families dealing with a difficult diagnosis, offer education, and connect them with resources available to assist with access to appropriate medical care, equipment, and all of the means necessary to properly care for their child.



Fiscal Year of Service (October through September	Plan of Care	Care Coordination
FY2017/2018	76	138
FY2016/2017	87	140
FY2015/2016	25	97
FY2014/2015	60	141
FY2013/2014	56	122

### **Family Planning**



Family Planning is a federally and state funded program that provides women with confidential, low cost reproductive health screenings, education, birth control, and pregnancy testing. Our Family Planning team at Sanilac County Health Department consists of a Nurse Practitioner, Registered Nurse, Technician, and Clerk. The goal of this program is to educate women about their bodies and their choices in terms of reproductive health, provide preventative screenings such as pelvic/pap and breast exams, and to offer affordable contraception to a population that may not otherwise have access. Parental consent is not required for those seeking services under the age of eighteen and women who have positive pregnancy tests are connected with other programs such as WIC and MIHP for support, if indicated.

Fiscal Year of Service (October through September)	Program Participants
FY2017/2018	284
FY2016/2017	357
FY2015/2016	367
FY2014/2015	363

# Sexually Transmitted Infections and Testing

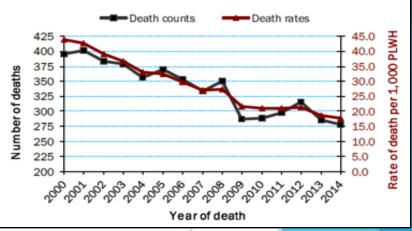
Sanilac County Health Department offers testing for HIV and Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs) by our professional nursing staff. In addition to testing, clients are also provided with extensive education, condoms, and treatment if indicated. While some testing is performed by court-order, these services are also offered anonymously to anyone who wants to be tested. The goal of our STI program is to educate, test, treat, and decrease the spread of infection.

Fiscal Year of Service (October through September)	Clients Tested	STD Cases/ Investigations	AIDS/HIV Clients Tested	AIDS/HV Clients Counseled
FY2017/2018	9	96	1	1
FY2016/2017	20	99	7	10
FY2015/2016	20	100	2	3
FY2014/2015	10	113	2	4
FY2013/2014	12	76	3	5

#### Overview of deaths

- Between 2000 and 2014 the overall rate of death per 1,000 people living with HIV (PLWH) in Michigan decreased by 60 percent (Figure 1).
- In 2014, a total of 278 deaths were reported among PLWH. Seventy-six percent were among those living with HIV stage 3 (AIDS).
- HIV-positive black persons, women, and persons who inject drugs (PWID) have the highest overall rates of death (Table 1, page 2).
- In 2014, HIV was the underlying cause of death in 35% of all deaths among PLWH (Table 1, page 2).

Figure 1. Overall number and rate of death among PLWH in Michigan (2000-2014)



Source: HIV Mortality in Michigan Supplemental Fact Sheet to the Epidemiologic Profile of HIV in Michigan, October 2016. Sanilac County is a low prevalence county which has a rate that is below 93 per 100,000 population.

# Vision and Hearing Screening

Our hearing and vision technician conducts these screenings in local schools, working with children from pre-school through 7<sup>th</sup> grade. When needed, children are referred for further testing.

Fiscal Year of Service (October through September)	Screenings Completed	Referrals
FY2017/2018	4,690	510
FY2016/2017	4,817	581
FY2015/2016	5,440	432
FY2014/2015	4,477	307
FY2013/2014	4,314	333

### Immunizations

We provide childhood and adult immunizations to all our county residents, both at the Department and through off-site immunization clinics. These shots include measles, mumps, rubella, etc., and the yearly flu vaccination.

Fiscal Year of Service (October through September)	Immunizations
FY2017/2018	2,761
FY2016/2017	2,394
FY2015/2016	3,249
FY2014/2015	2,868
FY2013/2014	2,684

### Communicable Disease Control & Investigation

The Sanilac County Health Department monitors certain communicable diseases which must be reported by doctor's offices, and responds to complaints of animal bites, food borne illnesses, and other incidents. This work is documented in the Michigan Disease Surveillance System (MDSS), which is a valuable tool for tracking and analysis of communicable disease patterns. Observing these patterns is important not only for knowing what local needs are, but also spotting trends that may indicate more serious problems such as a pandemic event or biological attack.

Fiscal Year of Service (October through September)	Investigations	TB Skin Tests	Animal Bite Reports
FY2017/2018	363	258	67
FY2016/2017	245	260	72
FY2015/2016	268	343	58
FY2014/2015	282	280	60
FY2013/2014	266	177	80





#### Environmental Health

#### On-site Sewage Disposal:

The environmental health on-site sewage program works to protect the public health by overseeing the permitting and construction of on-site sewage treatment/disposal

systems, and remediating failed systems. Sewage contains many viral and bacterial pathogens such as E. coli, clostridium, and salmonella which can cause disease in both humans and animals. Proper treatment and disposal of sewage is critical to human health and the health of the environment.



#### **Drinking Water Supplies:**

The Environmental Health Private and Type III Water Well Program protects the public health by overseeing the permitting and construction of water wells both for small businesses and private homes. This program involves review of existing well information and on-site inspections for new well placement, construction, and connection to the plumbing system, as well as tracking of permits, well logs and water sample results. Proper well construction, grouting, isolation from contamination sources and sampling of water quality is important to ensure a safe water supply for cooking and drinking. This program also provides recommendations and oversight for the proper abandonment of unused wells, which is a critical step in protecting drinking water resources.



The Type II Non-community Water Supply Program protects the public health by working with restaurants, schools and other facilities to ensure the water they provide is safe for use as potable water. This program involves doing surveys of the wells and plumbing systems at the facilities to check for cross-connections as well as monitoring water sample results, treatment systems, and operational reports.

### Environmental Health Cont.



#### Food Safety:

All restaurants and temporary food services in the county are inspected. Food service inspections are a mandated service under the Public Health Code, and we are required to conduct routine and follow-up inspections at all restaurants and schools in the county. We provide education and training on proper food storage, preparation and handling to prevent food-borne illness outbreaks. Inspections of temporary food-service booths are also conducted at events like festivals and fairs. New or re-opening restaurants must undergo an extensive plan review, pre-opening and opening inspections prior to licensure.

#### **Pools and Campgrounds:**

Inspections of seasonal and recreational facilities also help protect public health and safety. Water/sewer hook-ups, bath house/cabin safety, and proper food handling are included in these inspections.

#### **Department of Human Services Inspections:**

The DHS calls upon the Environmental Health Division for inspections of the water supply/sewage disposal systems, and general health and safety of licensed day cares and adult foster care homes.

#### **Bathing Beach Sampling:**

In the past, the EH Division has been involved in weekly sampling of popular recreational beaches along the county shoreline. 186 samples were done in 2018.



#### **Sampling Sites:**

- Forestville
- Forester County Park
- Lexington Village Park
- Lexington County Park
- Port Sanilac

### Environmental Health Cont.

#### **Body Art Facility Inspections:**

The public health impact of body art is the transmission of disease, often Hepatitis C, through dirty needles and poor practices. There is only one licensed facility in Sanilac

County.





#### **Complaint Investigation:**

The EH Division is called upon to investigate complaints ranging from sub-standard housing, sewage in a ditch, well construction and water quality issues, blight, to food-borne illness, and many more. Each complaint received is assigned a priority and addressed

according to applicable regulations









### Environmental Health Cont.

Service	2015 Calendar Year	2016 Calendar Year	2017 Calendar Year	2018 Calendar Year
Well permits	74	80	72	64
Well finals	59	29	12	38
Septic permits	94	103	92	76
Septic finals	81	91	58	72
Registered septic Contractors	27	25	45	45
DHS inspections	27	25	29	40
Pool inspections	7	7	3	9
Campground Inspections	20	20	18	21
Food Service Establishments	201	195	174	167
Food Inspections	200	127	109	237
Temporary Food Permits	77	78	68	64
Food Complaints	3	9	2	8
General Complaints	41	60	32	25
Body Art Inspections	1	0	1	1
Beach Water Testing Samples Taken	150	183	153	165

#### Substance Abuse

The Alcohol/Other Drug Program/Counseling Services Program provides a wide array of treatment and prevention services for individuals with substance use disorders. Outpatient counseling, for individuals, family, youth as well as group counseling are provided on-site at the health department. Evaluations of substance abuse problems for the court system, other human service agencies, schools, families, Secretary of State, or any other referral source are available through screening, assessment and evaluation process. Prevention Services are also available in the schools. Alcohol Highway Safety/Drug Education Program and Anger Management classes are also provided. Referrals come through courts, DHS, self and families. Funding Sources are Region 10/PIHP, Medicaid, 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Insurance, self-pay and the Sanilac County Drug Task Force.

Licensing and Accreditation policies were maintained throughout the year as evidenced by monthly Professional Staff Organization minutes. The Department of Commerce and Industry Services conducted a site audit on November 12, 2015 and no deficiencies were noted and everything was in substantial compliance. SCCS has Standard Licenses for Outpatient, Prevention, Screening, Assessment, Referral, and Follow-up (SARF), Integrated Treatment, as well as a Designated Screening and Assessment Agency for Drunk Driving Assessments, P.A. 309. Thumb Region Substance Abuse Services Coordinating Agency (TRSASCA) changed from the St. Clair County Health Department to the Thumb Alliance Prepaid Inpatient Health Plan (PIHP) for Medicaid services in March and for all Block Grant dollars in October 2007. This PIHP called the Thumb Alliance changed its name effective January 1, 2014 to Region 10 PIHP. This new region now includes Genesee County as well as the prior three; Lapeer, Sanilac, and St. Clair. The official merger was October 1, 2015. The PIHP performed one Quality Assurance Site Visits in 2016. No deficiencies were noted in March 2016 for a score of 100%. This is the fourth year in a row that the UR Quality Assurance Site Visit score was over 99%. A partial organizational (Desk) Audit was conducted in Calendar year 2016 and a score of 100% on recorded. SCCS earned a four-year accreditation in August 2013 through COA (Counsel on Accreditation) with only minor issues that needed to be listed on a corrective plan of action. This accreditation will remain current through November of 2017.

No client rights violation complaints were filed in the 2018 calendar year.

Fiscal Year of Service (October through September)	New Admissions	Hours of Individual Therapy	Units of Group Therapy
FY2017/2018	64	534	27
FY2016/2017	87	736	0
FY2015/2016	98	819	15
FY2014/2015	110	667	263
FY2013/2014	123	705	501

### Substance Abuse Cont.

Treatment is the program's primary focus and the most significant portion of our annual budget. This focus also requires the most amount of tracking this attachment will provide some statistical information regarding those services.

In 2018, we provided a total of 598 Outpatient units of service. This was a decrease of 225 units which is a 30% decrease over last year's totals. The difference may be contributed to one counselor being on medical leave for two months and not filling a part-time therapist position that was vacated after the first quarter of fiscal year 2017.

Prevention Units contracted for fiscal year FY2018 were 602 units or (150.5) hours of service. The overall allocation for prevention spending in the county decreased 24%.

### Emergency Preparedness

The Emergency Preparedness (EP) Program is responsible for creating, testing, and implementing plans and protocols to deal with everything from communicable disease outbreaks such as Pandemic Influenza, the effects of natural disasters, to acts of bioterrorism. We work collaboratively with local, regional and state agencies (hospitals, law enforcement, emergency management, EMS, schools, fire, and community mental health) to promote community preparedness and resilience.



Floods



Wildfires



**Thunderstorms** 



Tornadoes

The updated hazard vulnerability assessment shows that Sanilac County is most vulnerable to: power outages, severe weather incidents, hazardous material release or explosion, and multiple structure fires. Emergency Preparedness staff write and maintain the Emergency Operations Plan to keep the Department briefed on responses to these incidents, and provide training for all staff.

The EP program also emphasizes outreach and education.

Informational bulletins are available at the Health Department, and are distributed through local events such as Project Connect, and specialized handouts are provided to area campgrounds during the camping season.

During the fiscal year, EP staff participated in multiple regional and local meetings, trainings, and conferences, and monthly and quarterly radio communications tests.

The continuing project for EP is to continue to encourage Closed POD participation by local business, faith-based organizations, schools, and skilled nursing centers.



