

Polk County Advisory Board of Health Minutes

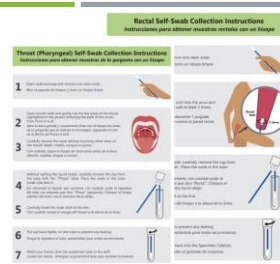
July 19, 2024

Members present: Reylon Meeks, Rick Kozin

Members absent: Thomas Newton, Anne Bacon, Jennifer Olson

Agenda Items	Summary												
<u>Approval of Minutes</u>	Board minutes from June not approved (not enough members for quorum).												
<u>Director Update</u> <i>By Helen Eddy</i>	None												
<u>Deputy Director Update</u> <i>By Mandy Penning</i>	None												
<u>STD Trends & Program Updates</u> <i>By Kim McMains & Madison Kerkove</i>	STD TRENDS & PROGRAM UPDATE KIM MCMAINS MADISON KERKOVE  PCHD CLINICAL SERVICES AVAILABLE - Same day appointments available - Monday- Friday 8:30am- 4:00pm \$10 for Polk Co. Residents & \$25 for nonresidents - Price includes test & treatment - PreP & STD Walkin screenings - Available for asymptomatic patients, not named as a partner - Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 8:30am- 11:30am & 1:00pm 3:00pm - We offer a hardship policy we will never turn anyone away due to the inability to pay - PCHD is willing to treat anyone who has tested positive within a different clinic. This helps to reduce barriers related to confidentiality & ability to pay for services, especially among our youth populations STDS IN POLK COUNTY <table><tr><th colspan="2">Yearly Total Cases</th></tr><tr><td>2019</td><td>5,765</td></tr><tr><td>2020</td><td>6,004</td></tr><tr><td>2021</td><td>6,150</td></tr><tr><td>2022</td><td>5,298</td></tr><tr><td>2023</td><td>5,240</td></tr></table> Potential contributing factors for the decrease in cases: - Anatomical testing sites - Clinic type (ER, UC, FM, OBGYN) - Testing based on symptoms - The number of providers reporting positive cases - Number of tests administered at local health systems	Yearly Total Cases		2019	5,765	2020	6,004	2021	6,150	2022	5,298	2023	5,240
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- Extragenital testing in Polk County (Oral & Rectal Swabs) only 9.7% of all cases (2023)
 - Majority of these positives are from PCHD & PHC
- Self Collection as an option for patients should be included as a standard practice
- Sexual History/Practices
- Educating both the patient & provider



EXTRAGENITAL TESTING

PERCENT CHANGE

2022	→	2023
CHLAMYDIA		0.12%
GONORRHEA		16.35%
SYPHILIS		26.73%
HIV		10.22%

INCREASE

DECREASE

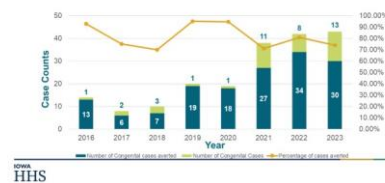
INCREASE IN SYPHILIS CASES - POLK COUNTY

Polk County Yearly Totals: Syphilis		
	Syphilis	% of Case Load
2018	173	3.27%
2019	239	4.15%
2020	290	4.83%
2021	440	7.15%
2022	469	8.85%
2023	615	11.74%

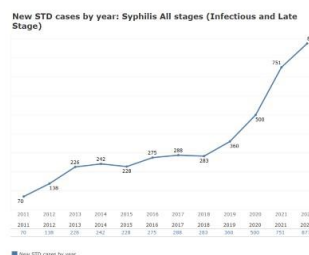
CONGENITAL SYPHILIS CASES

- Update to Screening Recommendations- Recommended for pregnant women to be tested 3 times throughout their pregnancies

Number & Percent of Congenital Syphilis Cases Averted, 2016-2023



INCREASE IN SYPHILIS CASES - IOWA



COMMUNITY OUTREACH



OUTREACH CONT.

Other outreach
happening in 2024



ACCESS CODE: 183816

LOCATIONS:
Health Department
River Place
Admin- Coming soon?

PHC Locations:
PHC University Clinic
(back parking lot, south east corner)
1200 University Ave,
Des Moines, IA 50314

PHC South Side
2401 SE 14th Street,
Des Moines, IA 50320

Anawim Housing
(to the right of the entrance)
1750 48th Street, Suite 100B
Des Moines, IA 50310

PEER REFERRAL



Thank you!

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<u>Program Updates</u> <u>Disease Prevention</u> <i>By Kari Lebeda</i> <i>Townsend</i>	• New temporary reporting order for mushroom containing edible products, this includes Diamond Schruumz products: ▪ 39 illnesses reported (23 hospitalizations, no deaths) ▪ There have been cases in Iowa ▪ Various symptoms: CNS, depression, sedation, seizures, muscle rigidity, abnormal reflexes, trimmers, abnormal vitals, sweating, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, etc. ▪ Items can be purchased from a retail store or on-line. ▪ Retailers are supposed to remove products from shelves and control distribution ▪ Variety of products: Gummies, coffee, snack products, etc. ▪ Marketing touting health benefits of mushrooms ▪ Some products contain THC and CBD • Hospital acquired infections ▪ The state has added a nurse clinician to their team. Effective 7/15/24, they have restructured map and coverage area making 5 service areas instead of 4. ▪ This has changed the nurse clinician that PCHD works with. • IDSS has been causing challenges where reports are received about reportable diseases. No cases have been missed by PCHD and there is a back-up system in place. • COVID-19 – Increases in waste water across the U.S. and increase of reports in positive tests. • Food Safety – Uptick as expected in illnesses. Continue to message about food safety. • Recreational water safety education – illness and drowning ▪ Cryptosporidium can survive in chlorine for more than 7 days. CDC has reports of almost 11 days.
<u>Committee Member Comments</u>	• None
<u>Public Comments</u>	• None
<u>Adjournment</u>	9:11 a.m.

Next Meeting August 16, 2024 at 8:30am

Others present:

Mandy Penning, PCHD

Kari Lebeda Townsend, PCHD

Heather Flaherty, PCHD

Andrea Petrovich, Asst. County Attorney

Kim McMains, PCHD

Madison Kerkove, PCHD