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Barry-Eaton District
Health Department

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2016 Annual Report

Barry-Eaton District Health Department

Colette Scrimger, MSW, Health Officer

The Barry-Eaton District Health Department (BEDHD) envisions a future where every resident has the opportunity to live a long, healthy, and active life. How does that future happen? It happens through thoughtful choices at every level – choices by individuals, families, businesses, schools, organizations, and communities to prioritize and take action on health.

Investing in the well-being of communities and making health a priority in comprehensive planning can reduce the number of people overall that get sick, determine how sick they feel, and influence if they die early or live a long time. The purpose of public health is to promote the health of the population, making sure that people have safe, clean, and healthy places to live, work, and play, and to make sure that diseases and injuries are *prevented* whenever possible.

The BEDHD has made addressing chronic disease an overarching theme of many of its programs and initiatives. We work on four components – **healthy eating, active living, tobacco control, and the built (man-made) environment** – to combat the onset and impact of chronic disease. Through our Community Outreach efforts BEDHD professionals regularly attend municipal meetings and community coalitions to foster connections and encourage actions that protect and enhance the public's health. This networking has proven to be a catalyst for additional partnerships and policy developments across the district. Meaningful community partnerships are the cornerstone of successful and sustainable communities.



2016 Achievements

- Barry-Eaton District Health Department is now a nationally accredited Health Department receiving accreditation from the Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB).
- BEDHD has been actively participating in the Community Health Needs Assessment and Improvement Planning processes in both Barry and Eaton counties during 2016.
- Community Health Needs Assessment reports have now been published for both counties (Barry County in March 2016, Eaton County in October 2015 as part of the Healthy! Capital Counties process).
- Development of Community Health Improvement Plans for both counties is underway, and plans are expected to be published by March 2017.

Eaton Behavioral Health

Laura Fox, LMSW, Manager

- Received a CARF Three-Year accreditation based on its recent survey. This achievement is an indication of our organization’s dedication and commitment to improving the quality of the lives of the persons served.
- Approved by the MI State Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs to provide Community Change, Alternatives, Information, and Training (CAIT) a substance abuse prevention service.
- Our Women’s Specialty Program provides ancillary services to those whom have dependent children, working to regain custody or are pregnant with a substance use disorder. Of the four women served who were pregnant, three have given birth to a drug free infant and one remains pregnant at this time.
- Outreach/speaking engagements for 2016: Eaton County Substance Abuse Advisory Group, Recovery Oriented Systems of Care group, Eaton Region Education Agency, Eaton Rapids Health Alliance, various colleges, AL!VE, Eaton County Transportation Authority, Lansing Mall, and local businesses.

Division Activities	County Total
Choices Early Intervention Intakes	32
Assessments and Intakes	338
Number of Adults (18+) Served in Outpatient Level of Care	136
Number of Adolescents Served in Outpatient Level of Care	64
Intensive Outpatient Level of Care	56
Women’s Specialty Program Number of Clients Served	42
Peer Support Number of Services Provided	265
Peer Support Number of Participants Served	42
Eaton County Youth Facility Number of Clients Served	29
Driver’s License Evaluations	23

Planning, Promotion, and Evaluation

Anne Klein Barna, MA, Manager

Division Activities	District Total
Municipal Meetings Attended	66
Presentations, Health Fairs, etc.	43
Coalition Meetings Attended	464
Social Media Posts	694
Publications Submitted	61

- Eaton Rapids Health Alliance held a community conversation to aid in developing its 2-year strategic plan. In 10 months, they are already making progress on their 2-year goals.
- Staff worked with Environmental Health to create a 6-part Time of Sale or Transfer Program press release series that was published in full by the *Hastings Reminder*.

- Staff working with the Sun Safety Skin Cancer Grant held a successful contest focused on creating awareness of sun safety, through videos which were run during movie theater previews.
- Established the Eaton Oral Health Coalition. Research and data for Eaton County reflected that oral health care is a concern and intervention is needed. Oral health insurance benefits are underutilized, especially for those who have Medicaid/Healthy Michigan Plan, and there continues to be an inappropriate use of Emergency Rooms for oral health trauma. The coalition will focus on these issues as well as promoting proper oral hygiene by providing oral health kits to targeted children ages 0-5 to instill healthy habits right from the start.

Personal & Community Health Services

Suzanne Thuma, MSW, Director

Division Activities	District Total
WIC Caseload (Annual)	2,920
WIC Pregnant Women (Monthly)	253
WIC Kids (Monthly)	1,402
WIC Infant (Monthly)	621
WIC Postpartum (Breastfeeding and Non-breastfeeding)	294
Student Hearing Screenings	8,792
Student Vision Screenings	11,749
Children's Special Healthcare Clients	482
Communicable Disease Investigations	915
Animal Bite Investigations	140
Sexually Transmitted Disease Case Investigations	855
Tuberculin Skin Tests Administered	308
Flu Vaccine Given (6 mos.-18yrs)	881
Immunizations Given	6,525
Breast and Cervical Cancer Screenings	27
Pathways to Better Health Clients	209

- Both Barry and Eaton County saw a significant increase in County Rankings for Adolescent Immunizations. Barry increased from 46th to 32nd; Eaton increased from 53rd to 33rd out of 83 Michigan Counties. BEDHD increased its efforts for immunization outreach this year including billboards and Facebook advertisements.
- Children's Special Health Care staff completed 124 home visits and assisted with 21 new admissions. This year staff made a concerted effort to educate partner agencies about the benefits of the program.
- 1,630 Barry and Eaton County children age 0-5 were screened for Lead exposure in 2016. The number of children under six years of age who have an elevated blood lead level has decreased by 68% in Barry and 61% in Eaton from 2007 to 2014.



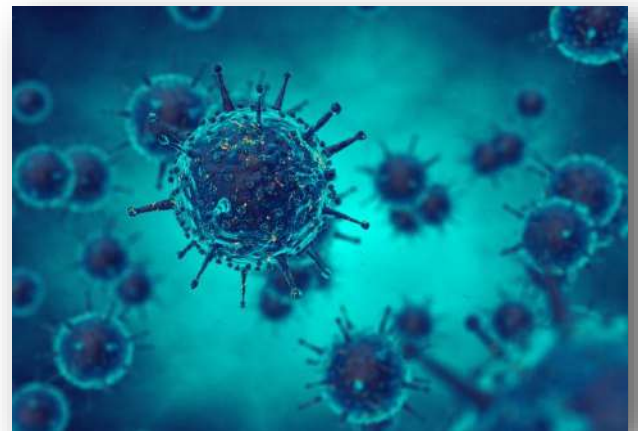
- BEDHD was awarded state funding to increase HIV prevention and testing within our local jurisdiction. In the past, people who desired screening had to travel to another health department outside the district. Personal Health and PPE staff worked together to develop screening protocols and promote the new service throughout the community.
- The process for accessing health insurance can be difficult and overwhelming for some people to navigate. BEDHD assisted 127 Barry and Eaton residents in completing Healthy Michigan Plan (Medicaid) applications and 19 Marketplace applications. These individuals now have a primary care provider and access to healthcare.



Emergency Preparedness

Clarissa Boggs-Blake, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator

- All staff participated in a 4-hour full-scale emergency preparedness training on May 25, 2016 involving opening a Point of Dispensing (POD) to dispense antivirals (M&Ms) to staff acting as the public. Multiple community partners assisted in the BEDHD training. Throughput for the training was 334 people per hour.
- The agency responded to one large norovirus outbreak in the community and in conjunction with the site, successfully ended the outbreak.
- 100% of staff have been trained in the Incident Command System (ICS) approach for responding to public health emergencies.
- Touched over 5,000 people with emergency preparedness outreach to the community through: Town Hall meetings, Resource Fairs, Barry County Fair, Facebook, and Twitter.
- Updated a variety of all-hazard plans and procedures to ensure efficient and effective response to public health emergencies.



Environmental Health

Regina Young, RS, Director

Division Activities	District Total
Licensed Food Establishments	597
Routine Food Establishment Inspections	970
Temporary Food Service Inspections	132
Public Water Supply Surveys	60
Public Water Supply Permits	21
Private Well Notification Permits	431
Time of Sale Evaluations	1532
Licensed Septage Haulers	6
Septage Inspections	23
Public Pool Inspections	142
Site Evaluations	391
Sewage System Permits	456
Abandoned Wells Plugged	251
Campground Inspections	34
Complaint Investigations (sewage , water, pest, garbage, and food)	106

- The EH division responds to environmental health hazards and also monitors environmental quality to protect health. BEDHD responded to 8 methamphetamine lab related contamination events. BEDHD collected 150 beach water samples from 4 inland beaches to check for contamination.
- BEDHD has a responsibility to assure people who get served in local restaurants and other facilities are served as safely as possible. EH certified over 66 people in food safety management, which allows them to maintain safe restaurants and food service operations. EH also conducted 8 body art inspections and investigated 1 complaint about body art practices.
- BEDHD distributes radon test kits to residents as part of Radon Action Month in January. Each test must be “completed” by running the test in a home and then mailed in to a lab for results. This year, we increased the percentage of tests that were completed out of the total number that were distributed.
- Partnering with the PPE unit, EH conducted a public education campaign for the Time of Sale or Transfer Program (TOST). This effort resulted in new education materials as well as articles published in the *Hastings Reminder* to better explain the purpose of the program.



Charlotte Dental Center

Operated by *My Community Dental Centers*

- Provided \$35,898 in charity care in 2016 for those who were uninsured.
- Served 364 persons enrolled in the Healthy Michigan Plan (16.5% of total patients served).
- 52% of patients served were adults with Medicaid.

Activities	Total
Patients Served	2,165
Number of Office Visits	5,336
Patients aged 0- 14	562
Patients aged 15-20	696
Patients aged 21 and over	4078



Finance

Lisa Smith, MSA, Director

Visit Our Locations

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FY2016 Budget Expenditures

Personnel	4,335,639
Travel	133,424
Communications	80,812
Supplies	241,143
Equipment	-
Contractual	277,857
Other	1,217,688
Total	\$6,286,563

FY2015 Budget Revenue

County	1,275,453
Other Sources	1,613,389
Service/Billing	1,205,255
State	2,192,467
Total	\$6,286,563

Our Vision

A community where everyone has the opportunity to live a long, healthy, and active life.

Our Mission

Our mission is to protect and enhance health by promoting and providing innovative, community based programs and initiatives.



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