

**STICKNEY PUBLIC HEALTH
DISTRICT**

ANNUAL REPORT

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INTRODUCTION

The Public Health District saw the official end of the federal Public Health Emergency on May 11, 2023. It is clear that Covid-19 will be with us forever, but the response has moved to the medical system rather than the public health system. The Health District will continue to provide support to the long-term care facilities and ensure a strong capacity to respond to emergency threats to the health of the residents of Stickney Township.

The Health District made a strong investment in the health records system. During the past fiscal year, the District moved to a new dental records software package with digital x-ray capability and moved the entire medical record system to the cloud. Plans are to upgrade user hardware over the coming fiscal year.

The community health plan was accepted by the Illinois Department of Public Health and the Health District was approved for certification through November of 2027. The Board of Health made the commitment to explore options to bring a community based emotional wellness intervention to the communities of Stickney Township. The initial results of this intervention will be reviewed in the following years.

The direction and fiscal strength provided by the Board of Health will ensure that the Health District is well-positioned for future growth and potential challenges.

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AMBULATORY CARE

The Public Health District operates two ambulatory care facilities in buildings owned by the Township. This includes clinic services and podiatry care.

The purpose of the clinics is to provide ongoing health care for chronic disease conditions, such as diabetes and hypertension, as well as episodic health care conditions, such as upper respiratory infections and flu symptoms. There are two clinics in Stickney Township for the exclusive use of residents and both clinics are staffed by licensed health professionals. Service is available to all residents, regardless of age. The locations are as follows:

South Clinic

5635 State Road
Burbank, IL 60459
708/424-9200

North Clinic

6721 West 40th Street
Stickney, IL 60402
708/788-9100

Appointments and walk-ins are taken for clinic visits. All patients are screened before each visit. Telehealth services are available as well.

Podiatry care is also available to all residents. Podiatry services are offered at our North Clinic as well as the South Clinic. Appointments for this service should be made in advance. This can be done by calling the South Clinic at 708/424-9200 or the North Clinic at 708/788-9100. There is a small fee for this service.



STICKNEY PUBLIC HEALTH DISTRICT
STICKNEY TOWNSHIP, ILLINOIS – MARCH 31, 2024

The Board of Health of the Stickney Public Health District, County of Cook, State of Illinois, herewith submits its annual report, as required by the statutes, showing the condition of its trust on the 31st day of March, 2024: The sums of money received from taxation and from other sources, how all monies have been expended and for what purpose, and such other statistics as the board deems of the public interest.

Amount of public funds on hand at the commencement of the fiscal year commencing the 1st day of April, 2023: \$ 6,133,052.54

RECEIPTS:

REAL ESTATE TAXES - GENERAL	5,133,080.89
PROPERTY REPLACEMENT TAX	784,853.98
INTEREST INCOME	256,621.93
PATIENT PAYMENTS	7,030.00
BEDFORD PARK HEALTH SERVICES	66,950.00
THIRD PARTY INSURANCE PAYMENTS	33,889.17
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH FEES	90.00
HEALTHCARE & FAMILY SERVICES PAYMENTS	63.01
LICENSE FEES - ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH	48,910.00
TANNING FACILITY GRANT	100.00
VECTOR SURVEILLANCE GRANT	12,000.00
REIMBURSEMENT SEASONAL WORKERS	20,000.00
LOCAL HEALTH PROTECTION GRANT	50,523.20
WIC GRANT	52,923.58
BREASTFEEDING PEER COUNSELOR GRANT	15,096.44
VISION & HEARING GRANT	3,185.00
PHEP GRANT (BIOTERRORISM GRANT)	39,895.30
COVID 19 CRISIS GRANT	59,346.73
COVID RESPONSE GRANT	18,589.47
LEAD POISONING PREVENTION	10,515.07
CRI GRANT	40,311.07
SIPA 24 GRANT	350,000.00

ILLINOIS PUBLIC RISK GRANT	5,099.75
MEDICAL RECORDS	20.00
MISCELLANEOUS	2,629.74
TORT INTEREST	94,853.12
TRANSFER IN	2,500,000.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	9,706,577.45
TOTAL RECEIPTS & OPENING BALANCE	15,839,629.99

EXPENDITURES

PRIMARY CARE SERVICES

Clinic Nurses Salaries	152,801.84
Physicians Salaries	502,507.59
Clinic & Lab Supplies	11,692.78
Pharmacueticals	24,289.61
Podiatrist Salary	86,486.17
Contractual Services	975.00
Lab/Equip & Repair	1,807.00
TOTAL PRIMARY CARE SERVICES	780,559.99

NURSING SERVICES

Nursing Directors Salary	96,930.04
Nurses Salaries	74,537.73
Medical Assistant / Aide	165,106.13
Nursing Expense	3,858.64
Continuing Education	417.96
Mileage Reimbursements	1,775.55
Emergency Response Coordinator	56,693.95
Emergency Response Expenses	72.37
TOTAL NURSING SERVICES	599,392.37

DENTAL SERVICES

Dentists' Salaries	288,343.92
Dental Assistants' Salary	83,464.55
Dental Instruments/Supply	98,636.66
Mobile Unit Transport	2,000.00
Mobile Unit Repairs	1,764.65
Radiation Safety Inspections	300.00
TOTAL DENTAL SERVICES	474,509.78

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES

Behavior Health Director	12,411.34
Behavior Health Clinical Staff Salaries	349,160.07
Clerical Salary - BH	57,984.36
Psychiatrists Fees	2,250.00
Operating Expenses	4,700.75
TOTAL BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES	526,506.52

SANITATION SERVICES

Sanitarians Salaries	82,675.98
Environmental Health Expenses	13,496.06
Sanitation Salaries	79,463.07
Vehicle Purchases	11,620.90
Continuing Education	787.73
Operating Expenses	949.48
Uniforms	969.77
Mileage Reimbursements	81.74
Mosquito Abatement Supplies	47,602.61
TOTAL SANITATION SERVICES	437,647.34

GRANTS

IPRF - Grant	2,886.16
CRI Grant Readiness	10,081.46
WIC Salaries	75,808.36
WIC Expenditures	5,829.00
WIC BF Grant	479.22

WIC Coordinator	84,048.00
COVID Crisis Expenses	675.00
PHEP - Bioterrorism Grant	516.81
SIPA 24 Grant	78,982.35
TOTAL GRANTS	259,306.36

ADMINISTRATIVE

Director's Salary	95,968.60
Clerical Salaries	130,409.99
Chairman's Salary	27,780.52
Treasurer's Salary	27,102.42
Secretary's Salary	11,575.02
Certified Audit	15,814.00
Public Relations	35,750.00
Office Supplies	11,429.57
Postage	1,000.00
Legal Notices	1,122.24
Computer IT Services	47,289.50
Conferences, Meetings, Dues, Etc.	2,912.45
Medical Records System	140,953.94
Computer Expenses	7,241.54
TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE	556,349.79

GENERAL

Group Insurance	300,795.31
Worker's Comp / Unemployment	36,527.81
Compensated Absences	12,854.84
Payroll Expenses	6,288.94
Bank Charges	7.35
Contingencies	25,259.10
TOTAL GENERAL	381,733.35

PENSION EXPENSES

IMRF	69,913.10
FICA	216,260.79
TOTAL PENSION EXPENSES	286,173.89

TORT LIABILITY EXPENSES

Casualty Insurance	34,550.91
Tort Officer	113,916.45
Certified Audit - Tort	<u>7,551.00</u>
TOTAL TORT LIABILITY EXPENSES	156,018.36

TOTAL EXPENDITURES **4,458,197.75**

TOTAL RECEIPTS & OPENING BALANCE **15,839,629.99**

DEDUCT DISBURSEMENTS **4,458,197.75**

TOTAL CASH BALANCE MARCH 31, 2024 **11,381,432.24**

PETTY CASH	275.00
BANK BALANCE	64,704.78
INVESTMENTS	\$7,708,226.60
TORT BALANCE	<u>\$3,608,225.86</u>
TOTAL CASH BALANCE	<u><u>\$11,381,432.24</u></u>



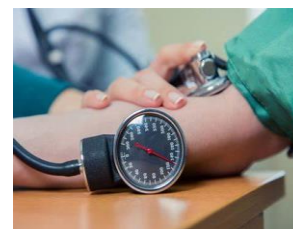
PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING SERVICES

NURSING SERVICES

Home Nursing Visits	41
Communicable Disease Investigations	107
STI Investigations	254
Children Elevated Lead Level –Case Management	2
Pre-Natal Elevated Lead Level-Case Management	0

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS-CLINIC

Total Patients Screened	2562
South Clinic	1765
Newly Diagnosed	87
Controlled Hypertension	50
Uncontrolled Hypertension	145
North Clinic	797
Newly Diagnosed	0
Controlled Hypertension	9
Uncontrolled Hypertension	2



BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS-OUTREACH

Total Patients Screened	473
Normal	88
Elevated	79
High Blood Pressure Stage 1	113
High Blood Pressure Stage 2	183
Hypertensive Crisis	10

Blood Pressure Screening is a duplicated service due to the management element of the disease.

Patients with an elevated BP are followed per the Clinic/PHN Departments.

Uncontrolled HTN is being managed through the Clinic Doctors until HTN is controlled.

*146 clinic patients were identified as needing follow up for blood pressure related care and/or education

50% of these patients were contacted via telephone and an estimated 60% received follow-up care with their primary care provider or at a SPHD clinic

CLINIC

Clinic Patient Visits	5884
Sport Physicals	225
School Physicals	283
Influenza Vaccine/Children VFC&CHIP	25
Influenza Vaccine-PP Children	0
Influenza Vaccine – Adult	90
VFC & CHIP Children Immunizations	315
PP Children Immunizations	57
Adult Immunizations	27

SCHOOL SERVICES

Vision Screenings	1038
Vision Referrals	62
Hearing Screening	1149
Hearing Referrals	0

Laboratory- Star Medical Lab

On 12/01/2023 SPHD started a collaboration with Star Medical Lab, a CLIA certified Lab, to provide onsite phlebotomy services. Services are provided every Monday and Thursday at the Burbank location. The lab bills Medicare, Medicaid, private insurances, and offers excellent self-pay pricing. Services are offered on an appointment and walk-in basis and extend to non-residents of Stickney Township.

TUBERCULOSIS SERVICE	
TB Tests	92

PODIATRY	
Podiatry Patient Visits	1592

ESTIMATED VALUE OF SERVICE

Stickney Public Health District offers many clinic services at no charge or minimal charge. The following reflects value of the above statistics *if* charges were applied. All of the services listed in the table below were provided at no charge.

Service	Amount Provided	Estimated Cost Per Service	Estimated Residents' Savings
Home Nursing Visits	41	\$100	\$4,100
Vision Screenings	1038	\$25	\$25,950
Hearing Screenings	1149	\$25	\$28,725
Clinic Patient Visits	5884	\$30 (co-pay estimate)	\$176,520
School Physicals	283	\$50	\$14,150
Sport Physicals	225	\$50	\$11,250
Podiatry Visits	1592	\$75	\$119,400

VACCINES

SPHD is committed to keeping children safe from vaccine preventable diseases, therefore, SPHD purchases vaccines for all children and adolescents in the community. This "Private Purchase Program" has been utilized by SPHD for many years. SPHD also participates in the Federal Program, Vaccines for Children, or VFC. The VFC Program is a Federal Program administered by IDPH to provide vaccines free of charge for children that qualify. Vaccines, regardless of which program the vaccines are obtained through, are provided free of charge to all children and adolescents. However, a \$5 administration fee is charged for every child and adolescent vaccine.

SPHD also, provides privately purchases vaccines (no VFC) for adult use. However, adults pay the purchase price of the vaccines.

Manufacturer's adult and children's vaccines have a wide price range depending on the vaccine ordered for example: Polio, Mumps, Measles, Rubella, etc. ... may vary in cost anywhere from \$22 per dose to \$250 per dose. Both adult and children's vaccines that are free or supplied at cost is a great example of your Stickney taxes working for the community.

Vaccines are given at Stickney Public Health District Monday through Friday at all clinic sites for adults and children.

SPHD purchased approximately **\$24,681** worth of adult and children's vaccines. Approximately **\$57,545** worth of vaccines were provided free of charge through the Vaccines for Children Program.

In September 2023 COVID-19 Bridge Access Program became available for Uninsured and Uninsured Adults, 18 years or older. Total number of COVID-19 vaccines given under the Bridge Access Program was 2.



COVID-19

Cases of COVID-19 who were 65 years of age or older, hospitalized, or deceased were investigated by SPHD team members. The team's contact tracers ended their service at the end of June 2023. After this time, the public health nurses continued investigating cases of COVID-19 who were hospitalized or deceased. They also assisted long term care facilities with 2 outbreaks of COVID-19. The nurses provided consultation services to long term care facilities, facilities serving individuals with developmental disabilities, and schools around COVID-19 prevention and management.

Effective 2/27/24, Illinois reporting requirements around COVID-19 changed to no longer require reporting of *all* positive COVID-19 test results to just those performed by laboratories, pediatric deaths, and intensive care unit admissions. Going forward, the public health nursing team will continue to provide consultation services above, outbreak management assistance, and investigate pediatric deaths and intensive care unit admissions.

On May 11, 2023, Governor JB Pritzker announced the state's public health emergency, aligning the state with the federal government's decision to end the national public health emergency.

Test Distribution

345 home COVID-19 tests were provided free of charge at outreach sites and events throughout the SPHD jurisdiction.

DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING

The Public Health Nursing Department provides services to the community with the goal of promoting and protecting the health of the Stickney Township residents. This is achieved through health assessment, health planning and direct care services. The direct care services include skilled nursing care and health education. These services are provided to individuals, families and community groups through the following programs.



HOME NURSING

The Public Health Nurses provide services to the chronically ill, homebound patient and his/her family. The goal of the Home Health Care Program is to promote, maintain and restore health so that the patient can achieve his highest level of wellness while being treated in his own home. The services include: skilled nursing care, health assessment, health care planning, supervision of the rehabilitation process, nutritional guidance and emotional support. The Public Health Nurses visit patients in their home first to evaluate their nursing needs and then revisit them to administer care for many conditions. The six most common conditions are listed below. The care is achieved through cooperative efforts that include the patient's primary care physician, the nurse, and the patients and their families.

- Cardiovascular Diseases
- Cerebral vascular Disease
- Diabetes Mellitus
- Pulmonary Disease
- Degenerative Joint Disease
- Mental Status Change

SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES

Some School Health Services provided include:

- Vision and Hearing Screening, referral and follow-up care.
- Immunization Surveillance
- Communicable Disease Control
- Health Education
- Health Consultation



2023 - 2024 BMI Results for children visiting North and South Clinics.

- **Total recorded school age BMIs=753**

This reflects an increase of 110 BMIs recorded over the 2021-2022 year or an almost 17% increase.

- Females=379
 - This reflects an increase of 74 BMIs recorded over the 2021-2022 year or an increase of 24%.
- Males=374
 - This reflects an increase of 36 BMIs recorded over the 2021-2022 year or an increase of 6%.

Summary of Children's BMI-for-All Students Tested			
BMI category	Female	Male	Total
Underweight	108 (29%)	124 (33%)	232 (30%)
Normal Weight	180 (49%)	157 (42%)	337 (45%)
Overweight	50 (13%)	58 (15%)	108 (14%)
Obese	35 (9%)	35 (10%)	70 (9%)
Combined Overweight/Obese	85 (22%)	93 (25%)	178 (24%)

Blood Pressure Outreach Program and Follow Up

Blood Pressure Categories



BLOOD PRESSURE CATEGORY	SYSTOLIC mm Hg (upper number)		DIASTOLIC mm Hg (lower number)
NORMAL	LESS THAN 120	and	LESS THAN 80
ELEVATED	120-129	and	LESS THAN 80
HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE (HYPERTENSION) STAGE 1	130-139	or	80-89
HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE (HYPERTENSION) STAGE 2	140 OR HIGHER	or	90 OR HIGHER
HYPERTENSIVE CRISIS (consult your doctor immediately)	HIGHER THAN 180	and/or	HIGHER THAN 120

heart.org/bplevels

Stickney Public Health District adopted the above parameters for categorizing blood pressure results in the outreach setting for this fiscal year. When blood pressure results are in the elevated category or above, individuals are counseled and referred to their primary care providers or

Stickney Public Health District Clinics for additional blood pressure checks/management strategies.

Outreach Community Blood Pressure Check settings included monthly visits to North Clinic, Forest View Library, Prairie Trails Library, Burbank Park District Fusion RecPlex, Central Community Center, and the Louis S. Viverito Senior Center. Nurses also attended community events including the Stickney Township Office on Aging Community Fair, Louis S. Viverito Senior Center St. Patrick's Day Event, Stickney Music in The Park, Burbank School District #111 Back to School Rally and Health and Wellness Fair, and Burbank Park District's Party in the Park.

April 2023-March 2024:

Blood Pressures Checked in Outreach Community Settings:

Females	Males	Total
320	153	473

This represents an increase of 56 blood pressures checked in comparison to last year (417) or a 13% increase.

Note: Tracking of Blood Pressure Checks in the Dental Clinics and WIC clinics was discontinued this fiscal year. Age categories were also changed to align with age groupings used by the US Census.

70% of participants report that they have been told by a healthcare provider that they have high blood pressure. (333/473)

Of these participants who have been told they have high blood pressure:

- 64% report taking daily **medication** to manage blood pressure. (305/473)
- 60% report that they are **non-smokers**. (285/473)
- 59% report that they participate in at least 2 hours and 30 minutes of **physical activity** per week. (278/473)
- 57% report that they manage **stress**. (269/473)
- 56% report seeing a **healthcare provider regularly** for blood pressure management. (264/473)
- 54% report that they **manage their body weight**. (255/473)
- 52% report dietary management with **diets high in** fruits, vegetables, whole grains, low fat dairy, skinless poultry/fish, nuts/legumes, non-tropical vegetable oils. (244/473)
- 51% report dietary management with **diets low in** fat, salt, red meats, sweets, sugar sweetened drinks. (243/473)

STD/STI Disease Intervention Services

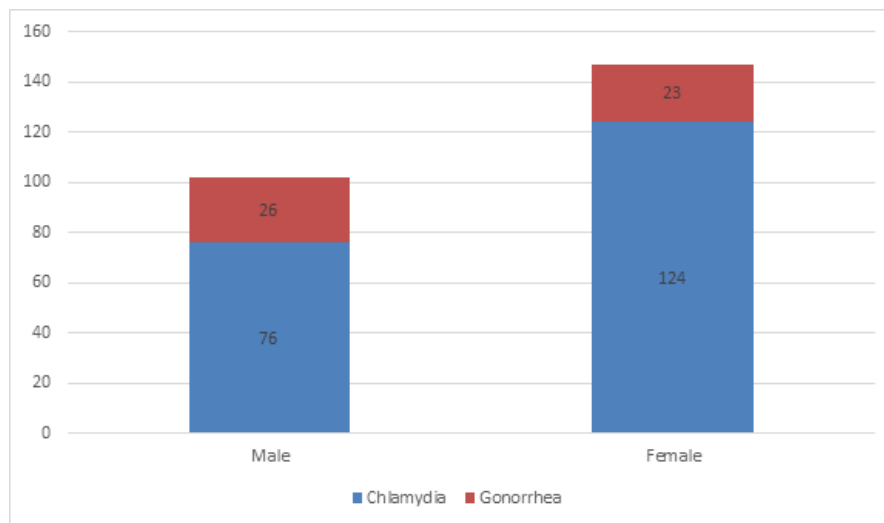
Illinois requires providers and labs to report certain STIs: chancroid, chlamydia, gonorrhea, HIV, Mpox (formerly known as monkeypox), and syphilis to Local Health Departments (LHD) such as SPHD. HIV cases within SPHD's jurisdiction are managed by the Cook County Department of Public Health, Chicago Department of Public Health, Howard Brown Health, or IDPH.

SPHD Public Health Nurses provide follow up to individuals residing in Stickney Township who have tested positive for reportable sexually transmitted infections other than HIV. SPHD public health nurse follow up includes contact (usually by phone) with the infected individual to provide information about the infection, importance of treatment adherence, follow-up testing recommendations, counseling on reducing the risk of future STIs, and partner services. **Fifty-nine individuals received these services.**

SPHD Public Health Nurses also receive reports of cases of the above infections from healthcare providers practicing within Stickney Township for individuals who do not reside in Stickney Township. The nurses coordinate with the providers to obtain full details around the case including treatment information and forward this information to the LHD covering the case's residence. **195 of these cases were managed.**

254 cases were managed in both categories above. This reflects an increase of 40 cases or 19% increase in comparison to the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

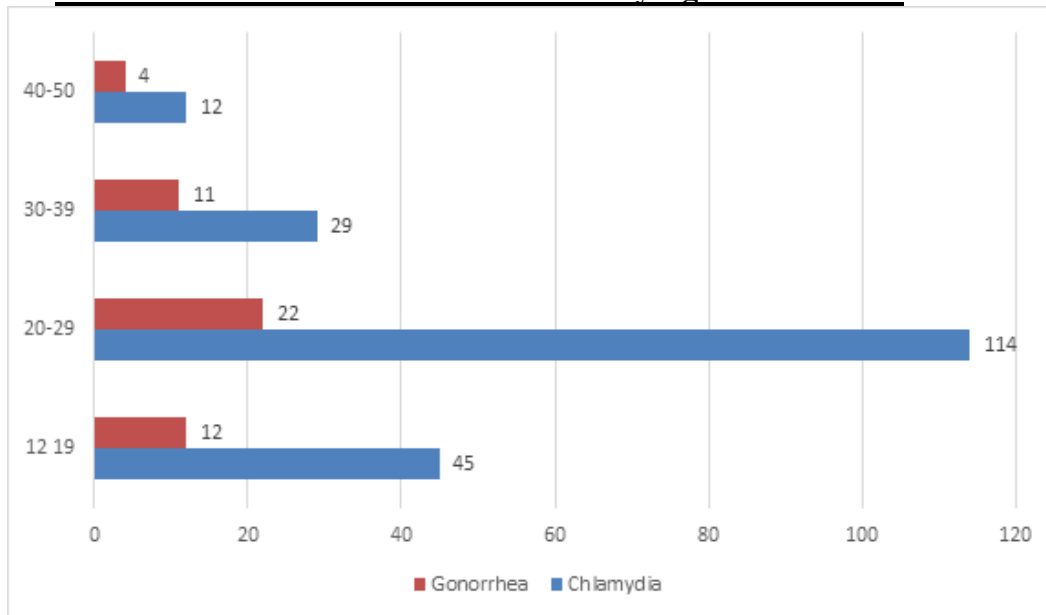
STD/STI Disease Intervention Activities by Sex and Infection



Notes:

- The 5 follow-ups involving Syphilis were not expressed in this table to protect individual confidentiality as expression by sex and infection would require cell sizes less than 9.
- Chlamydia: Total of 200 cases which reflects a 30% increase (increase of 46 cases) compared to the 2022-2023 fiscal year (154 cases)
- Gonorrhea: Total of 49 cases which reflects an increase of 1 case compared to the 2022-2023 fiscal year (48 cases)

STD/ STI Disease Intervention Activities by Age and Infection



Notes:

- Age groups with fewer than 9 values have been combined.
- Syphilis follow ups were not expressed in this table to protect individual's confidentiality as expression by age and infection would require cell sizes less than 9.



MATERNAL HEALTH

- A network of services is available that include pregnancy testing, counseling, referral services.
- A special emphasis is placed on health care services for pregnant teens and their infants.
- Women are assisted in obtaining prenatal care through cooperative arrangements with surrounding health care agencies.
- Women are assisted in obtaining family planning services through cooperative arrangements with surrounding health care agencies.



WIC PROGRAM

The WIC Program is a supplementary food program sponsored by USDA. WIC participants must meet income guidelines and have a medical or nutritional need to qualify. WIC provides free nutritious food, breastfeeding support, referrals, and health and nutrition information to women who are pregnant, breastfeeding or a new mom, infants, and children up to age 5.



Year 2023 -2024	Clients
April	613
May	619
June	617
July	612
August	609
September	604
October	612
November	625
December	617
January	628
February	616
March	617

PODIATRY SERVICES

Stickney Public Health District offers palliative podiatric care to residents of all ages. The most common ailments that are treated include: routine diabetic foot care, corns, calluses, arthritic deformities, heel spurs, and soft tissue inflammation.



DIVISION OF LABORATORIES

Clinic laboratory services are provided at two CLIA-waived laboratories operating at the north and south building in order to serve both the clinic physicians and public health staff. The chart below is a breakdown of laboratory services performed.

PREGNANCY TESTING

The UCG method of pregnancy testing is available through the Public Health District.

LABORATORY PROCEDURES

Clinic staff provides limited clinical laboratory service. The chart below is a breakdown of the laboratory services.

Urinalysis	49
Hematocrit	0
Glucose Clinic & Outreach	25
Lead Level Screening	23
Hemoglobin	0
E.C.G.	44
UCG Screening	15
Cholesterol Chemistry Clinic & Outreach	25
Strep Screenings	134
Flu Test	51
Covid Test	37



DIVISION OF DENTAL HEALTH

Residents of Stickney Township continue to take advantage of the dental program offered by the Township. This service is available to Township residents that are in kindergarten through 8th grade, and also to residents that are 55 years of age and older. Our program offers:

- Dental examinations
- Dental radiographs
- Dental prophylaxis
- Fluoride treatments
- Dental sealants
- Routine fillings
- Routine extractions
- Routine adjustment/repair of removable partial or full dentures
- Emergency management of dental pain as time and facilities permit
- Application of silver diamine fluoride to untreatable or early carious lesions



All of our services are provided at **no out-of-pocket cost to the patient.**

Our dental sealant program provides sealants targeting students in kindergarten, 2nd, and 6th grades. With written permission from the parent or guardian, the children are brought directly from the classrooms to the mobile dental unit during the school day for exams, cleanings, fluoride treatments, and to have dental sealants placed on their permanent molars. This service is provided by the Township free of charge. Of note, we also provide these same services for all resident children from kindergarten through 8th grade by appointment during our regular working hours with the parent or legal guardian present.

In late July of 2023, we instituted a new dental software program that is far more user friendly than our previous program. Due to the incompatibility of the old software, accurate current data on the number of procedures completed by our department in the last completed fiscal year is not available. However, all clinics compare favorably with numbers produced last year.

Services are provided at the **Mobile Dental Unit** on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 9:00 to 4:00 and on Wednesdays from 8:30 to 4:00. Appointments are made here by calling **708-878-3828**.

Services are presently provided on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at the **South Clinic, 5635 State Rd, Burbank** from 9:00 to 4:00, and on Thursdays at the **North Clinic, 6721 W 40th St, Stickney** from 9:00 to 4:00. Appointments are made for either of these clinics by calling **708-424-9200**.

All dental services are provided by 1 full time dentist, 2 part time dentists, and by 2 full time dental assistants. **Patients are seen in our department by appointment, and all appointments are made exclusively by telephone.**

DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

The goal of the Stickney Public Health's Division of Environmental Health is to reduce the incidence of disease and injury related to environmental and food safety factors and to help ensure a safe, wholesome, and nutritious food supply through inspections, training, education, enforcement, and abatement activities.

Division activities include maintaining required programs as prescribed by the Illinois Department of Public Health as well as other recommended programs, such as vector, mosquito, nuisance, and animal control, all designed to protect the general health, safety, and welfare of the public.



Environmental Health Services Provided

Day Care		Solid Waste Disposal Inspections	
Inspections	9	Garbage/Debris	2
		Sewage/Plumbing	4
Food Establishments			
Permitted	258	Tanning Salons	
Inspections Performed	318	Inspections	1
Plans Reviewed	14		
Food borne Illness Complaints	2	Water Sanitation	
Other Establishment Complaints	8	Swimming Pool Complaints	2
Special Use Permits Issued	21	Water Samples Collected	5
Special Use Inspections Performed	21	Consultation	2
Itinerant Permits Issued	23		
		Mosquito Control	
Insect & Rodent Control		Inspection of harborage sites	3
Complaints	198	Sites treated for larvae	3
		Sewers inspected	2200
		Sewers treated for larvae	2200
Motels/Beauty/Barber Shops & Other Businesses			
Inspections	15	Vending Machine Inspections	
		Inspections Performed	0 of 104
Nuisance Complaints			
Investigated by Type	132		

ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES PROVIDED

Release Permit

Established 11/1/99 for Arie Crown Forest, Lake Ida, Forest Preserve District of Cook County

Nuisance Wildlife Control Permit

Type Class C (governmental)

Animal	Handled	Impounded	Released/ Rescued	Dead
Bats	0			
Birds	7		6	1
Cats	36		36	
Dogs	71	21	50(returned)	
Livestock/Chickens	4		4	
Opossums	3		3	
Rabbits	6		5 (Domestic)	1 (Euth)
Raccoons	2			2 (Euth)
Squirrels	7			7
Skunks	0			
Coyotes	0			
Deer	0			
Woodchucks	0			
Snakes	0			
Bullfrog	0			
Ducks	11		11	
Turtle	0			
Rat	0			
TOTAL	147	21	115	11

Complaints	Total
Barking	100 +
Feces	26
Humane	64
Dog Bites	10
Citations	32
Uncontrolled Animal	100+
Total	332

A n i m a l C o n t r o l



DIVISION OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

Many changes have been implemented in the delivery of mental health services globally since the onset of the pandemic. The Behavioral Health Division of Stickney Public Health District was able to adapt quickly to meet the needs of our consumers. Individuals now have more options regarding how they choose to receive services. The Division began utilizing an interactive telecommunication system in June 2020. Consumers have become accustomed to utilizing telehealth. The Behavioral Health Division will continue to provide a blended approach to delivery of services.

During the fiscal year, most consumers preferred in-person sessions. Total in-person sessions accounted for 72% compared to 58% the previous fiscal year. The total number of sessions that consumers attended virtually accounted for 24% compared to 29% the previous fiscal year. Lastly, those sessions provided telephonically totaled 4% compared to 13% the previous year.

The growing demand for therapy for children and their families continued to be a challenge. The number of intake appointment slots were decreased to prevent prolonged wait times for therapy services. Therefore, the total percentage of children and adolescents seen for intake appointments accounted for 24% of all intakes, compared to 36% the previous fiscal year. Further analysis of age groups indicated that 30% of consumers comprised the 18-34 age group compared to 21% the previous year. Those consumers in the 35-50 age group totaled 21% compared to 23% the previous fiscal year, and consumers in the 51-70 age group accounted for 21%, compared to 15% the previous year. Lastly, those consumers in the 71 and over age group accounted for 4% of consumers who attended an initial intake appointment.

Demographics for all consumers receiving services indicated that 27% of consumers fell in the 18-34 age group followed by 26% in the 35-50 age group, and 26% in the 51-70 age group. A slight increase was noted in the 7-17 age group for a total of 17%.

Data collected regarding consumers receiving services indicated that most consumers carried one of the government health insurance programs. HFS Medicaid and Medicaid Managed Care Organizations accounted for 44% of consumers' health insurance, and Medicare followed with 18%. Those individuals with private insurance accounted for 26%. Lastly, 12% of individuals receiving services were uninsured. These numbers are comparable to the data collected during the previous fiscal year, but there was a slight increase in uninsured individuals.

The most diagnosed mental health disorders for consumers continue to be Major Depressive Disorder and Generalized Anxiety Disorder. Consumers given a diagnosis of Adjustment

Disorder totaled 14%, followed by 8% of consumers diagnosed with bipolar disorder and 8% diagnosed with Schizophrenia.

Consumer Satisfaction Surveys were distributed during the first quarter. Overall, consumers continue to rate services as very favorable. Regardless of mode of service delivery, 100% of consumers marked "Strongly Agree" or "Agree" that their therapist listened carefully to their concerns. The same was true for rating satisfaction with services overall, and every consumer indicated they would recommend the Behavioral Health Clinic to a friend. A total of 96% of all

consumers marked either “Strongly Agreed” or “Agreed” that they made progress with the concerns that brought them to therapy.

Workshops continued to be offered throughout the year. A workshop titled “Fearless Parenting”, was presented at the Central Clinic, and was also offered again at the Fusion Recplex in Burbank. A workshop regarding managing stress around the Holidays was also offered at the Central Clinic. “Hack Your Stress” was presented at the Prairie Trails Library. In addition, a workshop on “Emotional Well-Being” was presented in Spanish at the Prairie Trails Library.

Lastly, the Behavioral Health Division continues to be audited on a yearly basis to maintain its Certification as a Behavioral Health Clinic. The third annual audit occurred in October 2023. This was the first on-site audit since the pandemic occurred. The Division received a favorable review, and Certification was again approved for another year.

