

4/19/2023 | 12:00 PM

**MUNICIPAL SERVICES CENTER, LOWER LEVEL CONFERENCE ROOM
3600 TREMONT ROAD**

- 1. Agenda Files**
- 2. Agenda Packet Files**
 - a. April 19, 2023 Board of Health Agenda and Packet**

UPPER ARLINGTON BOARD OF HEALTH

Wednesday, April 19, 2023

12:00 P.M.

AGENDA

- 1. Call to order of regular meeting**
- 2. Approval of October 19, 2022 and January 25, 2023 Meeting Minutes**
- 3. Old Business**
- 4. New Business**
 - a. Introduction of new Assistant Health Commissioner/Director of Environmental Health
- 5. FCPH Reports**
 - Environmental Health
 - Health Systems & Planning
 - Prevention & Wellness
- 6. Adjourn**

Date of next meeting:

July 19, 2023 12:00 p.m.

**3600 Tremont Road – Lower Level Conference Room
Upper Arlington, Ohio 43220**

-AGENDA SUBJECT TO CHANGE-



Wednesday, October 19, 2022 | 12:00 P.M.

Members Present

John Kulewicz	Betty Giammar	
Dr. J. Nick Baird	Charlie Broschart (FCPH Staff)	

- Guests:**
- Jackie Thiel, City of UA**
 - Lyn Nofziger, City of UA**
 - Sierra Maceachorn, FCPH**
 - Regina Prince, CHAT, FCPH**
 - Lindsay Rodenhauser, FCPH**
 - Amanda Turner, Preventing Tobacco Addiction Foundation**
 - Dr. Rob Crane, Preventing Tobacco Addiction Foundation**

Members Absent

Chris Guglielmi	Dr. Richard Vesper	

MINUTES

1. The regular meeting of the Upper Arlington Board of Health was called to order at 12:03p.m., all members having been notified. Meeting was chaired by John Kulewicz
2. All meeting minutes in packet approved. Dr. Nick Baird moved, 2nd by Better Giammar
3. No old business.
4. New business
 - a. Meeting Times – reach out to Dr. Vesper on preferred meeting time and follow-up with the Board. Early morning, noon, and 4:00 p.m. should work for other Board Members.
5. Niki Lemin, Assistant Health Commissioner left to go to the Ohio EPA. Charlie Broschart is attending on behalf and gave an overview of the written division reports
6. FCPH/UA Health Services Contract
 - a. Broschart discussed an expansion of the 2023 contract to cover additional services that are currently being done by FCPH, but not captured in the current agreement.

- b. Public Swimming Pools. The City Pool licensing and pool concessions are separate from the Scope of Work for the Franklin Co. Board of Health. This difference will be explained in the 2023 scope of work for the contract.
 - c. Kulewicz asked follow-up on pool inspections to understand the frequency and scope of inspection
 - d. Kulewicz asked about why plumbing inspection is done by FCPH. Health Depts. started taking this on many years ago due to lack of qualified plumbers able to do work
7. Special Presentation by Rob Crane and Amanda Turner from Preventing Tobacco Addiction Foundation on Introduction to Potential UA Legislation Regarding Flavored E-cigarettes.
- a. 2016 UA raised the age to 21 for Nicotine Products
 - b. Flavored Tobacco Products
 - i. Provided example of products for Board Members to see and touch
 - ii. PowerPoint Presentation
 - iii. Giammar asked if the purchase age is different for these e-cigarettes and how kids are getting them. 21 needs additional enforcement.
 - iv. Baird asked what types of Health issues do these cause. The flavors can cause lung problems including “popcorn” lung. Dr. Crane said the cancer effects are unknown as this time since all new products.
 - v. Legislation proposal considered by Columbus on Nov. 7th
 - 1. Retailers cannot sell any flavored nicotine or tobacco products
 - 2. Individual possession would not be illegal
 - 3. Enforcement only at the retail level by the Health Department using civil procedure, not use of police.
 - 4. Columbus, Dublin, and Worthington have a Tobacco Retail License in place to assist in monitoring and enforcement.
 - vi. Ask for UABH to consider similar legislation recommendation to UA City Council. FCPH can provide draft legislation and scope of work on what they can do for enforcement.
8. Motioned by Giammar and x 2nd by Baird for the Board of Health to make a recommendation to UA City Council to consider legislation on Flavored Tobacco Products as drafted by the Franklin County Board of Health.
- a. Motion passes unanimously
9. FCPH Reports
- a. Rabies mapping would help the Board to see where bites are occurring
 - b. Kulewicz asked if FCPH does anything about deer. They do not.
10. CHAT Overview
- a. Community Health Action Team Presentation by Regina Prince
 - b. CHAT Snapshot provided by Lindsay Rodenhauser (attached)
 - i. Next UA CHAT Meeting is Nov. 10th 3:00 – 4:30 p.m. via Microsoft Teams (meetings are quarterly)
11. Follow-up Questions from the Board:



- a. Next meeting date and time may need to change pending conversation with Board Members. Information will be sent out to all Board Members once the date and time are finalized.

ADJOURNMENT

12. Meeting was adjourned at 1:43 p.m.

ATTEST: Dr. Nick Baird

CHAIR: John Kulewicz



Wednesday, January 25, 2023 | 12:00 P.M.

The Board of Health meeting on Wednesday, January 25, 2023 was canceled due to inclement weather. The next meeting is scheduled for April, 19 2023 at 12 pm.





Community Environmental Health

Rabies Control – The following animal exposures were investigated during January 1, 2023, to March 31, 2023, and are in the table below. Two bat exposures occurred during this period. The first (02/03) was delivered to the Ohio Department of Wildlife by the exposure victim. The second (03/27) was collected by Franklin County Animal Control. Both were submitted for testing with a negative result for rabies virus.

Incident Date	Species	Breed	Quarantine Status
1/24/2023	Cat	DSH	Released
1/26/2023	Cat	DSH	Released
2/3/2023	Bat	n/a	Euthanized, negative
2/10/2023	Dog	Mastiff	Released
3/9/2023	Dog	Shepherd Mix	Released
3/10/2023	Dog	Mix	Released
3/15/2023	Cat	DSH	Stray/unknown
3/19/2023	Dog	Mix	Released
3/27/2023	Bat	n/a	Euthanized, negative

Public Swimming Pools – A total of 391 Pool, Spa, and Special Use Pools license applications for the 2023-24 licensing year were sent out on April 1, 2023. There are 20 licensed pools, spas, or special use pools in Upper Arlington. The licensing year is from June 1, 2023, to May 31, 2024. Pool inspections will be conducted at least twice per licensing year.

One standard inspection was conducted at the Homewood Suites located at 1576 W. Lane Ave. on February 23, 2023.

Body Art – Franklin County Public Health has licensed a total of 87 body art facilities so far in 2023. The licensing period is from January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023. Body art includes traditional tattoo and body piercing, but it also includes permanent make-up or reconstructive procedures such as microblading, micro-needling, scalp micropigmentation, and scar camouflage. FCPH licenses three (3) tattoo businesses in Upper Arlington which all perform permanent makeup and/or reconstructive procedures. FCPH inspects body art facilities at least once during the licensing period.

A Beautiful Existence, LLC 3231 Loft 5, Tremont Rd
Columbus Aesthetics & Plastic Surgery 5005 Arlington Centre Blvd
614 Beauty 1840 Zollinger Rd

Vector Control – The Franklin County Mosquito Management is already doing work in 2023. FCPH used the off-season to evaluate the previous year’s work, make improvements, and begin planning for the mosquito season. Our contactor is already responding to service requests and inspecting historical sites that hold water and potentially breed mosquitoes. As a reminder, the City of Upper Arlington is divided into 3 zones, north, central, and south. Each zone has their own sets of traps, and the trap data drives the decision to spray each zone as necessary to control disease carrying mosquitoes and address nuisance mosquitoes.

Zach Holbert-Watson, Vector Program Coordinator attended the American Mosquito Control Association Annual Meeting in late February 2023. This meeting and symposium provide a tremendous opportunity to learn from and network with mosquito control experts and those in academia. In addition, Zach presented about FCPH pilot



program with Metro Parks to use tick jar stations to collect ticks that were attached to people and pets before leaving the Metro Park. The ticks were identified, and data collected.

Food Safety

There were zero (0) warning letters issued. One (1) set of plans were reviewed. No new facilities were opened.

Total Licensed Facilities			
Mobile	FSO/RFE	Vending	Schools
6	138	0	9

Inspections Conducted	
Standard	71
Follow-Up	12
Complaint	2
Consultation	5
Foodborne	2
Schools	0

Complaints

Date	Facility	Nature of Complaint	Status
Feb 21	Wendy's	Grease spill	Inspector advised to clean up, reinspected
Feb 23	Chipotle	Pest control	Had pest control, none observed, closed

Plumbing and Medical Gas

Continued development in Upper Arlington is keeping the Plumbing and Medical Gas section busy. The two 7-story buildings along with the parking garage near the Kingsdale Shopping Center is one project. Portions of this project are still in the rough stages while other areas are in the finished stages. The other projects are the multi-story buildings at Lane Ave and North Star Roads. Again, parts of these projects are in the rough stages while other areas are in the finished stages. Because of the size and scope of these projects, inspections can take an hour or more.

Type	Inspections
Residential	258
Commercial	39
Medical Gas	0

Sustainability



Franklin County Public Health
280 East Broad Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215-4562
(614) 525-3160
www.myfcph.org

Environmental Health Services Upper Arlington

Reporting Period: January 1 – March 31, 2023

There were no Public Health Nuisance Referrals-

Respectfully submitted by: Sarah Jensen; Assistant Health Commissioner & Environmental Health Director – March 31, 2023



HSP Administration

Under Franklin County Public Health (FCPH) leadership, the Franklin County Overdose Fatality Review (OFR) committee is comprised of representatives from ADAMH, law enforcement agencies, first responders, public health, the coroner’s office, recovery agencies, hospitals, the justice system, and other county agencies. The mission of the OFR is “to decrease the incidence of preventable overdose deaths, and to conduct a thorough review of overdose deaths in Franklin County in order to better understand how and why our residents die by overdose and to take action to prevent other such deaths.” (Ohio HB 110 Section 307.634)

On Friday, March 31, 2023, FCPH submitted its first Franklin County 2022 OFR Annual Report to the Ohio Department of Health (ODH). The report summarizes cases reviewed by the OFR Committee from January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022. OFR data and findings; unintentional overdose trend data; aggregate case information, identified trends, recommendations and next steps are outlined. The full report is available [here](#).

Epidemiology

Data Assessment, Planning, & Evaluation Activity:

- o Number of Data Requests Completed.....10
- o Number of Surveys Created & Evaluated.....01
- o Number of Projects Served as Data Liaisons.....03

- An abstract submitted by Alex Woroncow was accepted for a breakout session presentation at the Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists (CST) 2023 Annual Conference, within the session Topics on Drug Overdose and Health Equity. This presentation will focus on the work done to build and operationalize the Franklin County Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Evaluation System (CARES) and the ways in which CARES emphasizes equity concerns and positions FCPH as a leader for Public Health 3.0.
- In collaboration with Columbus Public Health epidemiologists, Sierra MacEachron completed a Kitagawa analysis to continue Phase II of the Perinatal Periods of Risk (PPOR) analysis for investigating infant mortality (IM) in Franklin County (FC). The analysis indicated that a higher proportion of very low birth weight babies was a larger contributor to disparities in IM in FC than higher birthweight-specific-mortality.
- Sierra MacEachron completed a spatial analysis of tobacco retailers and schools in Franklin County. Some key conclusions include:
 - o 15% of schools are located within 1,000 feet of a tobacco retailer.
 - o 86% of schools are located within 2.0 miles of a tobacco retailer.
 - o On average, schools with higher proportions of Black students, Hispanic/Latino students, economically disadvantaged students, students with disabilities, and English learner students had more tobacco retailers in proximity.
- Sierra MacEachron completed a data request from the City of Gahanna City Council President summarizing tobacco use and tobacco's impact in the city of Gahanna, Franklin County, and Ohio.

FCPH GIS Utilization (follow-up from March BOH Meeting)

- The HSP Epidemiology Team manages the agency’s utilization of ArcGIS through a working partnership with the FC Auditor’s Office. The FC Auditor’s office renews a software contract agreement with ESRI every 3 years at no cost to FCPH. ArcGIS Online and ArcGIS Pro licensing and associated free trainings are available to FCPH staff at no cost. The FC Auditor’s Office and ESRI are currently developing a data governance plan that will be applicable to FCPH users. Examples of ArcGIS use among FCPH programs include:
 - o Mapping septic system locations to inform water quality
 - o Mapping FCPH service area geographies and associated health outcomes to inform target area locations for programmatic intervention

- Mapping COVID-19 cases by zip code of residence
- Comparing vaccine uptake trends and social vulnerability by census tract to inform vaccine outreach efforts
- Mapping incomplete childhood immunization rates to investigate trends
- Mapping tobacco retailer locations to investigate equity concerns

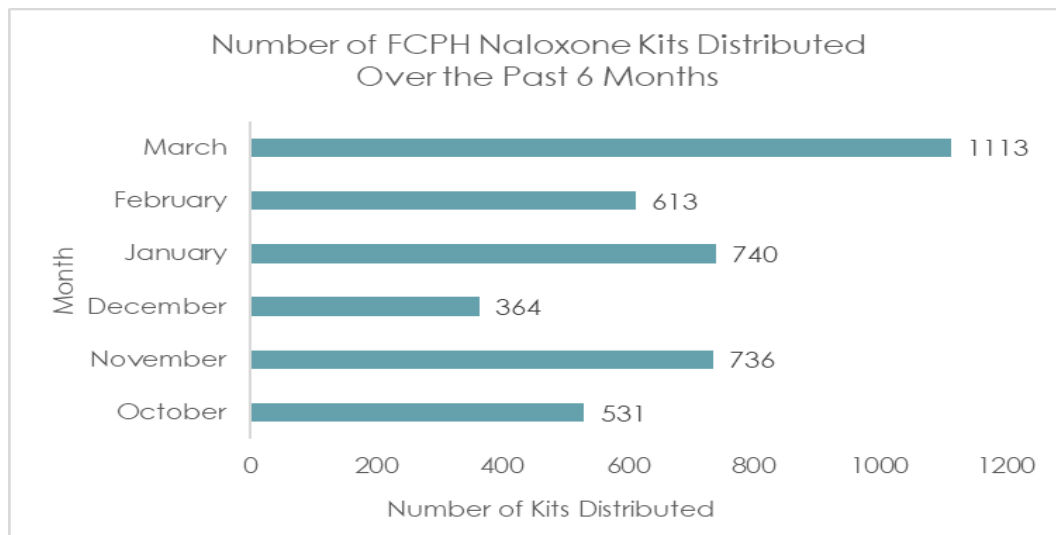
Behavioral Health & Addiction Services (BHAS)

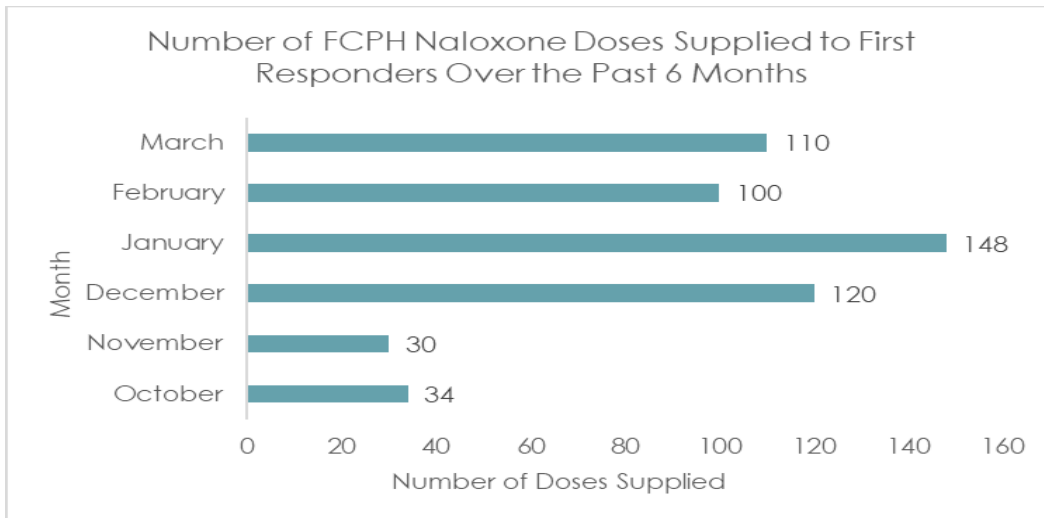
Community Naloxone Distribution Activities:

In March, Franklin County Public Health (FCPH) naloxone distribution efforts continued to run at full capacity through the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) Subrecipient Agreement funding.

- The FCPH Naloxone Program was awarded the ODH Integrated Harm Reduction (IH) grant for 2023 and 2024 to sustain and expand FCPH Naloxone Program operations and harm reduction efforts. IH23 is a \$30,000 award and will be in effect from 4/1/23 to 9/29/23. The IH24 award will be \$157,000 and will be in effect from 9/30/23, to 9/29/24. FCPH will not need to re-apply for IH24.
- FCPH's Naloxone Program mailed 177 naloxone kits and distributed the remaining kits through community outreach strategies and partner organizations. Jordan's Crossing distributed 119 kits; the Office of Justice Policy and Programs distributed 146 kits; and FCPH distributed 671 to agencies and through community naloxone trainings and outreach events. The Naloxone Program distributed a higher number of naloxone kits in the community this month than average due to additional distribution efforts surrounding St. Patrick's Day, including distributing naloxone to bars/restaurants ahead of events, offering walk-in naloxone, and outreach events.
- FCPH's Naloxone Program also provided 938 Naloxone kits to community distribution partners, which will be distributed by these partners in the future.
- FCPH provided First Responders with 110 doses of naloxone through the Ohio Mental Health and Addiction Services (OMHAS) First Responder naloxone funding and through the Project Deaths Avoided with Naloxone (DAWN) funding. Naloxone for first responders is only used during an opioid overdose event and is not distributed to the community for opioid overdose prevention and education efforts.

Naloxone Program Activities During March 2023	
Number of Naloxone Kits Distributed	1113
Number of Naloxone Kits Supplied to Partners	938
Number of Individuals Trained in Naloxone Administration	451
Number of Doses Supplied to First Responders	110





CDC Linkage to Care Activities:

During the month of March, the Linkage to Care team have been rigorously creating the various components of the Peer Support Program.

- Beginning the week of March 27th, the Peers will be providing direct Peer Navigation services at Safer Station weekly. Peers will be onsite on Tuesdays from 10:00am – 7:00pm and Fridays from 10:00am – 4:00pm. The Peers will assess the needs of the clients and coordinate any social or clinical support services.
- Peers will begin onsite services at Equitas Health’s Safe Point and Hilliard Recovery Court in April.

Tobacco & Smoking Cessation Activity:

Tobacco Prevention & Cessation Activities – March 2023	
New Tobacco Partners Engaged	5
Tobacco Trainings Provided	4
Scheduled Trainings	6

- The Tobacco Retail License Team is working to finalize program materials, training materials, and procedures ahead of the launch of the Tobacco Retail License Program (“TRL Program”). The TRL Program will first be launched in the City of Hilliard, with other jurisdictions to follow.
 - Recruitment is taking place for young adults to act as Underage Purchasers as part of the TRL Program Compliance Checks. Six young adults have been recruited so far, with the Underage Purchaser Training to be scheduled in April.
- The Tobacco Prevention & Cessation Coordinator will be co-hosting the Art Advocacy Senior Showcase at Reynoldsburg High School- Summit Campus on April 6th at 5pm.
 - 21 senior students will display the art pieces they created to advocate for tobacco policy change.
 - 3 students will introduce the documentary created about this project on the Auditorium stage before the event.
 - A co-branded press release from FCPH and Reynoldsburg City Schools will go out to the community on April 4th with the goal of media representation of this event.
 - Cessation materials will be provided on-site by the Tobacco Cessation and Harm Reduction Liaison and Tobacco Cessation and Prevention Interns.

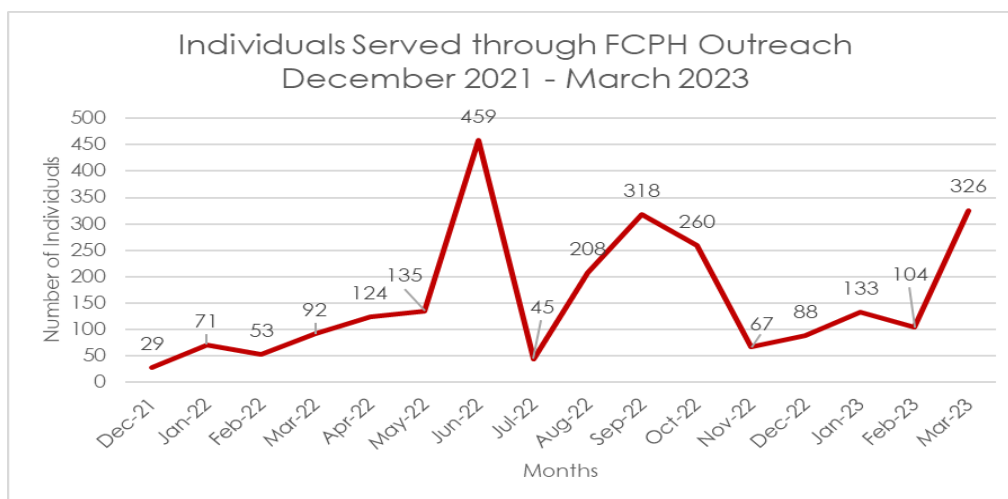
Harm Reduction Program Activities:

- On March 15, 2023, Harm Reduction Specialists tabled at the On-Site Pantry during their program hours from 9:30 am – 3:00 pm. Mid-Ohio Food Collective’s On-Site Pantry is located at 3960 Brookham Drive, Grove City, OH 43123. Harm Reduction Specialists went car-to-car offering naloxone, fentanyl test strips, and Recover for Life palm cards to pantry clients. Overall, 300 naloxone kits and 12 bags of fentanyl test strips were distributed to community members at this event.
- During the month of March, the Harm Reduction Specialists and Linkage to Care team conducted a total of 10 outreach events where 326 individuals were served. Through these outreach events, the Harm

Reduction Team distributed 89 fentanyl test strip kits (used to test an individual's drug supply for fentanyl before use in order to prevent overdose), 421 Narcan medication-only kits, 69 Rapid Response Emergency Addiction Crisis Team (RREACT) wristbands (these are bracelets that have the RREACT phone number printed on them so that individuals seeking recovery can call and be taken to treatment by first responders), 85 Recover For Life Go Kits (includes socks, a mask, a flashlight, a water bottle, recovery information, and a hand sanitizer), 75 Harm Reduction Kits (includes a pair of socks, condoms, feminine hygiene products, etc.), and 16 bus passes. The team was also able to refer a total of 11 individuals to the Care Coordination Program during outreach in March (see table below).

Harm Reduction Program Activities During March 2023	
Number of Harm Reduction Outreach Events Conducted	10
Number of Recover for Life Go Kits	85
Number of Fentanyl Test Strip Kits (3 test strips per kit) Distributed	89
Number of Narcan Kits Distributed	421
Number of RREACT Wristbands Distributed	69
Number of Bus Passes Distributed	16
Number of Linkages to the Care Coordination Program	11
Number of Harm Reduction Kits	75

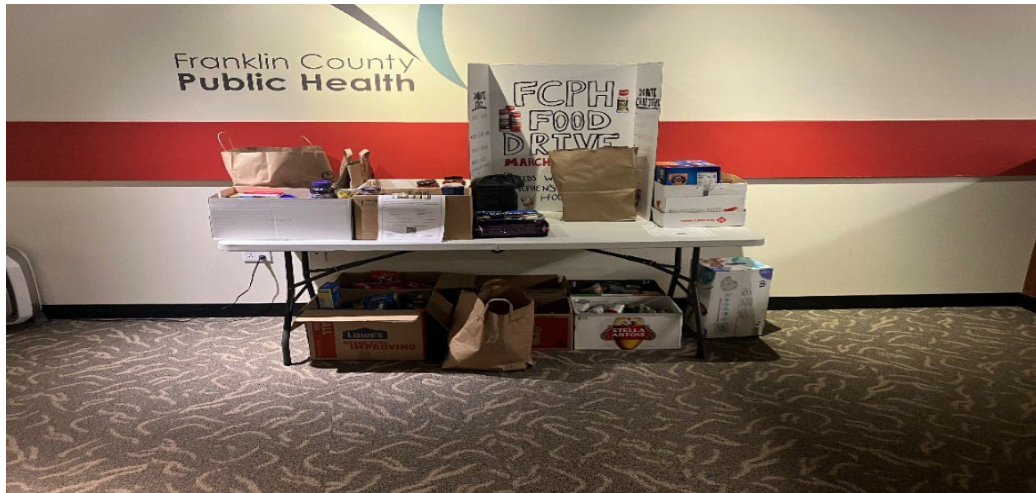
The graph below shows the number of individuals served per month through FCPH's Harm Reduction outreach events to date. The increase in the number of individuals served in March 2023 is due to the Harm Reduction Specialists conducting a pop-up outreach event at Mid-Ohio Food Collective for the week of Saint Patrick's Day.



Care Coordination (CC)

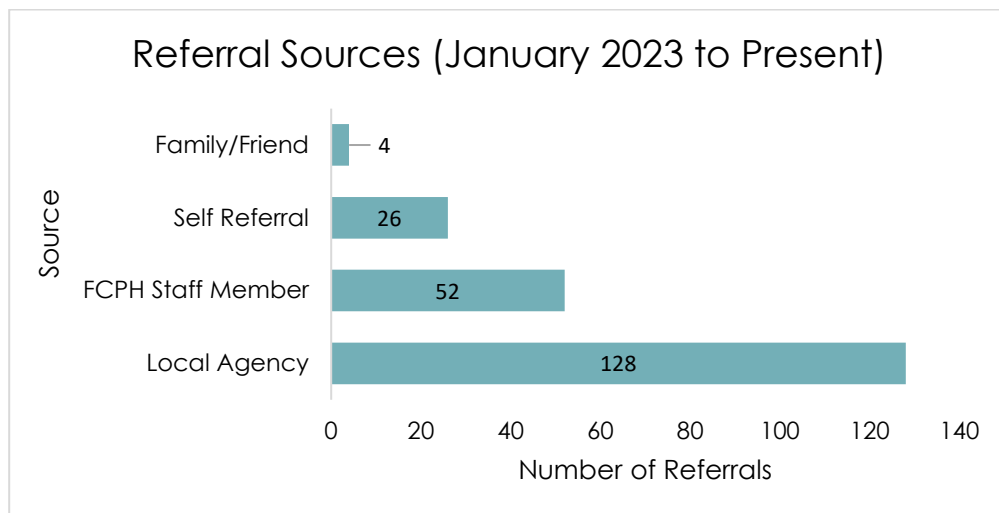
o Active Clients Enrolled.....254

- On March 1, 2023, Covid-era Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Benefits (SNAP) ended for all recipient households. This caused monthly allotment amounts to be significantly reduced and community food pantries started to see increased need. To aid community-based organization efforts, CC team members Kathy Weatherby, CHW, Cassandra Baker, CHW Program Coordinator, and Patricia Nicholas, CC Administrative Assistant, organized a food drive for St. Stephen's Community House. FCPH staff came together from across all Divisions and Sections to make the food drive a success.



- Since 2019, the work of the FCPH CHWs and CC program has generated \$378,867.84 in total revenue from Ohio Medicaid Managed Care Plan and Health Impact Ohio reimbursement. The total revenue has grown each year as the CC team nearly doubled its total revenue from 2021 to 2022. (Please see table below)

Year	Revenue
2019	\$5,301.00
2020	\$81,906.68
2021	\$91,319.84
2022	\$179,810.52
2023	\$20,529.80
Total	\$378,867.84



Community Engagement & Health Promotion (CEHP)

- Number of CEHP events.....2

Active Living Activity:

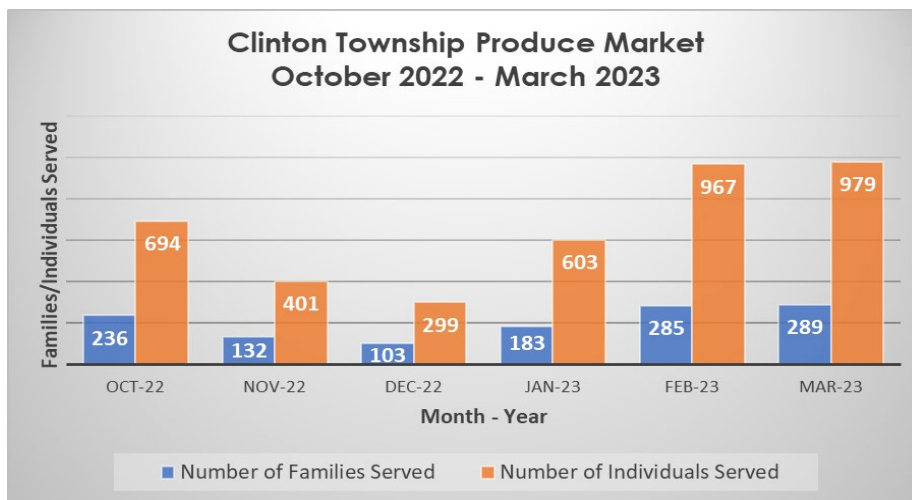
- In March, the CEHP team worked with external partners to forward planning for the development of a Hilliard Gratitude Mile.

Healthy Food Access Activity:

- In March, the CEHP team developed a new partnership with the Westerville Area Resource Ministry (WARM) which has begun providing weekly donations to FCPH's free food shed located at the Clinton Township Fire Department (3820 Cleveland Ave). WARM's generous donations have already made a positive impact on those that utilize this resource. The Healthy Food Access Coordinator is actively seeking additional donors to the food shed to ensure that the shed is regularly stocked, as this resource is used often by the community.

Clinton Township Produce Markets:

- Clinton Township served a total of 289 families (consisting of 979 individuals) at the two markets in March with 51 new families utilizing the market for the first time.
- March 2023 marked the third month in a row of increased families and individuals served.
- Additionally, March 2023 saw a 32% increase in families served when compared to March 2022, mirroring trends in increased food insecurity across the county.



Community Health Action Teams (CHATs) Activity:

- Minority Health Month Events: planning for the Clinton Township CHAT's Minority Health Month Events. The *Clinton Township Cares* events are sponsored by the Ohio Commission on Minority Health and will take place on April 15th and 29th from 12pm – 4pm at the Clinton Township Fire Station (3820 Cleveland Avenue).

ODH HEAL Capacity Building Activity:

- Food Service Guidelines (FSG) updates: In March, the Healthy Food Access Coordinator and the CEHP team worked with internal stakeholders and engaged county commissioners to advance food service guidelines and increase healthy food options within the vending machines at Memorial Hall. The CEHP Supervisor, the Director of Health Systems and Planning, and Health Commissioner Mazzola attended a meeting with stakeholders from Franklin County Public Facilities Management to discuss the HEAL FSG activities and future commitments.
- Policy, Systems, and Environmental (PSE) Change updates: In March, the Healthy Food Access Coordinator and the Active Living Coordinator met with the Franklin Township Administrator and the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) to complete a PSE assessment of the food system and

active living environments in the township. During the assessment meeting, additional stakeholders were identified to support the assessment, which will be completed in April with their guidance.

- Active Transportation Planning (ATP) updates: In March, the CEHP team submitted its first deliverable for the ATP activities under the ODH HEAL grant. Additionally, MORPC, in partnership with the CEHP team, advanced the ATP activities by scheduling and planning for our first Steering Committee meeting with representatives from Franklin Township and other local stakeholders. This meeting was rescheduled from late-March and will now take place mid-April and will allow for stakeholders to convene and discuss the ATP landscape in the township and plan for an upcoming walk audit as part of the HEAL grant community engagement activities.
- Complete Streets Policy updates: In March, the CEHP team worked with the City of Reynoldsburg and MORPC to begin the process of developing a Complete Streets Policy. The CEHP team drafted a stakeholder list and finalized and shared the Board approved Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the City of Reynoldsburg. Additionally, with the support of TooleDesign and MORPC, the Active Living Coordinator began planning for an upcoming Steering Committee meeting and policy drafting session with Reynoldsburg stakeholders in the month of April.

NACCHO Healthy Brain Initiative (HBI) Road Map Strategist Activity:

- The CEHP Supervisor worked with the Alzheimer's Association to connect with local stakeholders to continue the stakeholder interviews that have been ongoing the past several months as part of the landscaping activities of the HBI project. In March, the CEHP supervisor conducted interviews with representatives from the African American Alzheimer's and Wellness Association and the Franklin County Office on Aging.
- Additionally, in March the CEHP Supervisor developed and conducted a training with all staff in the Health Systems and Planning division to introduce FCPH staff to the HBI Road Map and discuss and identify next steps for implementing road map activities related to Alzheimer's Disease and dementia risk reduction and education into FCPH's future work.

Emergency Preparedness (EP)

- FCPH participated in the yearly Spinal Cord Injury (SCI) fair held on Sunday March 26th, 2023, at the Franklin Park Adventure Center. The SCI Network Resource Fair is for people with disabilities, of any age and any disability, to learn about resources and services they may be eligible for, learn about new adaptive medical equipment & technologies, explore adaptive sports & equipment, and learn about current advocacy efforts for people with disabilities (disabilityempowerment.net). Staff from the Emergency Preparedness, Environmental Health and Immunization Nurses were present to give away swag, public health related flyers and materials, COVID-19 and flu vaccines and Stop the Bleed flyers to attendees. FCPH presence at this fair strengthens the agencies strive to work with our Access and Functional Needs (AFN) partners.

Respectfully Submitted:

Theresa Seagraves, Assistant Health Commissioner and
Director of Health Systems and Planning

April 2023

Health Systems and Planning Calendar of Events

- Orange indicates a Community Engagement & Health Promotion Event
- Green indicates an Emergency Preparedness Event
- Blue indicates events where another team member is required.
- Red indicates a Harm Reduction Outreach Team event.
- Purple indicates a naloxone related event (i.e., training or outreach)
- Black indicates a business closure or holiday.
- Dark Red indicates Care Coordination Activity
- Pink indicates Linkage to Care Activity



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3 Naloxone Community Trainings the Center of Disability Empowerment (virtual) 10-11am COTA South Terminal 2pm-4pm	4 Stop the Bleed Training @ Capital University	5 St. Stephens Community House 12pm-3pm	6 PEER Center East 2pm-4pm Art Advocacy Project Senior Showcase 5pm	7 SAFER Station 1pm-3pm	8
9	10 Community Naloxone Training at Simple Church (Virtual)	11 PEER Center West 2pm-4pm	12 Jordan's Crossing Resource Center 9:30am -12:00pm	13 Franklin County Tobacco-Free Collaborative Meeting (virtual)	14	15
16	17 COTA South Terminal 2pm-4pm "Clearing the Air: Vaping and Youth" by Start Talking Grandview 6:30pm	18 Hillard Food Pantry 10am-1pm SAFER Station 1-3pm Tobacco Health Equity Working Group Meeting 10:30 am (virtual)	19 Safe Point 4pm-8pm Maryhaven Cessation Group 11am FCCS Brownbag Training 1:30pm	20	21	22
23	24	25 Naloxone Outreach/Distribution at the Dublin ACT Coalition 9:30-10:30 am)	26 Mid-Ohio Food Collective 9:00am - 3:30pm	27	28 Clinton Township Cares 12-4pm Somali Health and Wellness Fair 2-7pm	29

- Safe Point: 1267 West Broad Street, Columbus, OH 43222
- Jordan's Crossing Resource Center: 342 North Hague Avenue, Columbus, OH 43204
- P.E.E.R. Center West: 860 West Broad Street, Columbus, OH 43222
- P.E.E.R. Center East: 205 North Hamilton Road, Columbus, OH 43213
- COTA South Terminal: 25 East Rich Street, Columbus, OH 43215 (Corner of Rich and High downtown)
- St. Stephen's Community House: 1500 East 17th Avenue, Columbus, OH 43219
- SAFER Station: 368 West Park Avenue, Columbus, OH 43223
- Arnold Classic: 400 North High Street, Columbus, OH 43215
- HART Event: 177 North High Street, New Albany, OH 43054
- Central Outreach Wellness Center: 2680 W Broad St, Columbus, OH 43204
- Art Advocacy Project City Schools: 8579 Summit Road, Reynoldsburg, OH 43068
- Clearing the Air: 1685 W. 1st Avenue, Columbus, OH 43212
- Mary Haven Cessation Group: 100 Noe Bixby Road, Columbus, OH 43213
- FCCS Brown Bag Training: 855 W. Mound Street, Columbus, OH 43223
- Stop the Bleed Training @ Capital University - 2199 E Main St, Bexley, OH 43209



Immunization Program/School Nursing Section

Adult, Childhood and COVID-19 Vaccination Clinics

In March 2023, 115 clients were vaccinated at FCPHs routine adult and childhood vaccination clinics, and 240 vaccines were administered. A total of 36 COVID-19 vaccines were administered. Flu vaccinations continue to be offered at all clinic locations.

The immunization staff assisted at the COVID/Flu clinic held at Franklin Park Conservatory on Sunday, March 26, 2023. A total of 3 COVID vaccinations and 1 flu vaccination were administered.

Get Vaccinated Ohio – Public Health Initiative Grant

An invoice for \$3,029.38 was submitted to Columbus Public Health (CPH) for March 2023 reimbursement for GVO grant completed deliverables.

Maternal and Child Health Section

Upper Arlington - FCPH Maternal and Child Health Services

Franklin County Public Health (FCPH) administers the Children with Medical Handicaps (CMH) program to children ages 0-23 years old living in Franklin County. The PHNs in the CMH program provide case management services for children with special health care needs. These services include assisting families with finding quality health care for their children, providing community resources, participating in community outreach, and assisting with coordination of care for children with various healthcare needs. CMH PHNs provide services via telephone communication, email communication, mail, and home visits.

Data from **January 1, 2023-March 31, 2023:**

- Provided case management services to 13 families residing in Upper Arlington regarding CMH services

CMH Program-Home Visits and Safe Sleep

The Children with Medical Handicaps (CMH) Public Health Nurses (PHNs) continue to provide case management to families with children on the CMH program. Staff member Hannah Buskirk, RN, joined the CMH team on March 27, 2023.

In March 2023, CMH PHNs completed 10 home visits with clients and their families. There were 4 portable cribs distributed by trained FCPH staff to families in need of a safe sleep space for their infant. Additionally, 6 Safe Sleep Assessments were conducted by



Maternal and Child Health (MCH) staff with families who had an infant under the age of 1 in the home.

Community Partnership Grants

The PHN Led Home Visiting program continues to collaborate with Heart of Ohio Family Health with funding provided by the Franklin County Board of Commissioners. FCPH was notified of additional funding awarded to the program which will allow us to increase the number of clients being served to 120 individuals and their families. There were 14 home or telephone visits completed with clients in March 2023.

FCPH continues to partner with Restoring Our Own Through Transformation (ROOTT) through a separate Community Partnership grant opportunity provided by the Franklin County Board of Commissioners. ROOTT provides prenatal doula services to Black individuals within Franklin County.

Advancing Health Literacy Franklin County

Trainings

Advancing Health Literacy Franklin County continues to provide training at no cost to Franklin County based organizations. In March 2023, 12 Health Literacy trainings were offered. Mental Health Literacy: It Matters! conference was held on March 31, 2023, by Columbus Public Health in partnership with Advancing Health Literacy Franklin County, Nationwide Children's Hospital and Franklin County Public Health. In total, there were almost 200 community, healthcare and public health practitioners in attendance. The intersection of mental health care and health literacy was at the core of the day.

Society for Public Health Educators Conference Overview

Two abstracts were accepted for the 2023 National Society for Public Health Educators (SOPHE) Conference held this year in Atlanta, Georgia. FCPH staff provided a presentation regarding our organizational health literacy EnLive Assessment process. A brief conference summary of key highlights and lessons learned from program staff is below.

Two representatives from The Advancing Health Literacy Franklin County project, had the opportunity to present on the organizational health literacy assessment tool known as EnLive and overall, Health Literacy project. FCPH staff presented *What is your organization's health literacy potential? Lessons Learned in assessing organizational health literacy in Franklin County*. This presentation focused primarily on the background of the Advancing Health Literacy Franklin County grant and action steps for participants to be able to return to their organization with ideas for how to implement an EnLive Assessment to better their organizations health literacy.



The Annual SOPHE conference topic this year was titled “The New Age of Civil Rights, Advocacy & Equity”. Conference topic areas focused on tactical advocacy and how to advocate for policy change; defining vicarious racism which can be experienced by those who are not directly involved with the event but identify with the victim by race; the importance of representation when it comes to cultural competency; and providing practical ways public health practitioners can become social justice warriors and work towards dismantling racism.

Infectious Disease Section

COVID-19 Response Updates
FCPH Epidemiology Update for COVID-19

March 24, 2023 - 10:00 AM

COVID-19 Case Data*	
Total Cases	127,821 (92,066 Confirmed, 35,755 Probable)
<i>Age Range</i>	<1 – 105 years
<i>Median Age</i>	38 years
<i>Gender</i>	68,618 Female 57,994 Male
<i>Hospitalized (overall)</i>	1,783
<i>ICU Admissions (overall)</i>	218
<i>Deaths***</i>	1,237 (970 White, 137 Black, 32 Asian, 37 Hispanic, 75 Other, 6 Unknown)
<i>Presumed Recovered^</i>	125,975
<i>Onset Date Range</i>	01/15/2020 – 3/13/2023
<i>Asymptomatic Cases</i>	3,482
<small>*Data are pulled from the Ohio Disease Reporting System and are subject to change as additional information is gathered. Some data may have a lag time based on completion of case finding at the time of this report. ** Probable case counts added to the data as of 4/14/2020. ***Cause of death has not yet been determined. ^Presumed recovered is defined as cases with an onset date >21 days prior who are not deceased. If onset date is unknown, the earliest known date associated with the case is used as a substitute for the date of illness onset.</small>	

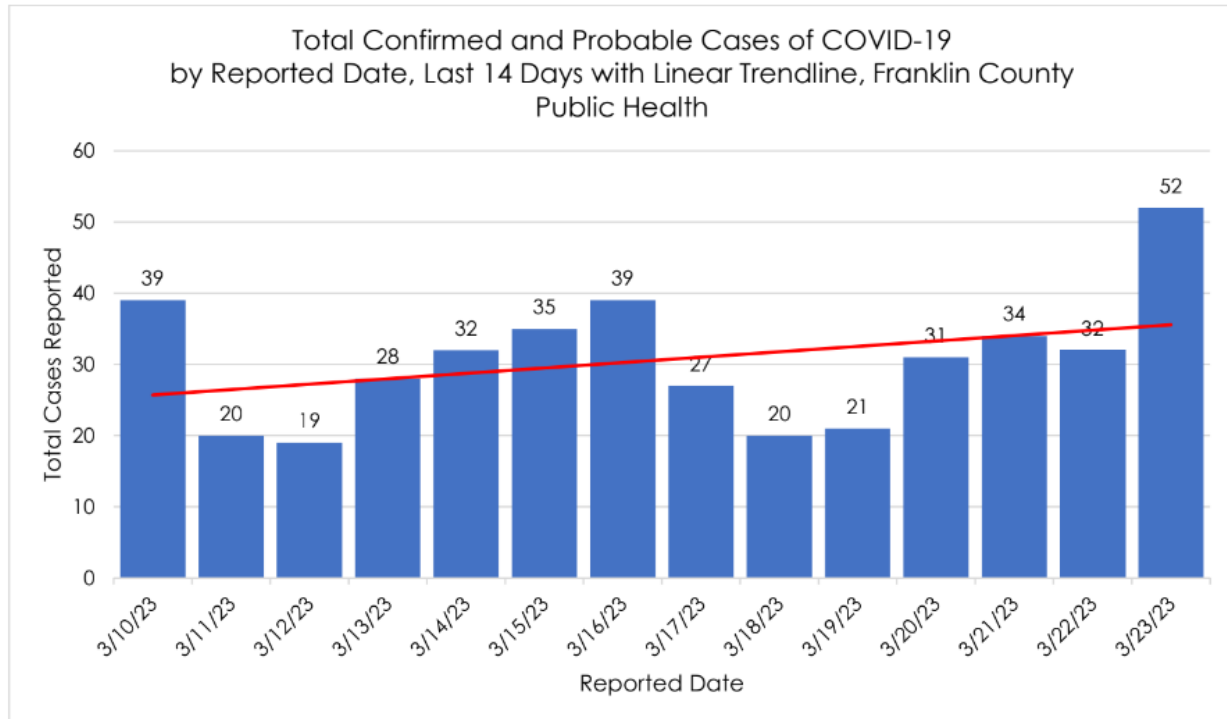
Cases in Franklin County Public Health Jurisdiction Residing in Another County	
<i>Franklin</i>	115,699
<i>Union</i>	898
<i>Fairfield</i>	5,338
<i>Delaware</i>	2,172
<i>Licking</i>	3,465

COVID-19 County Level for Franklin County

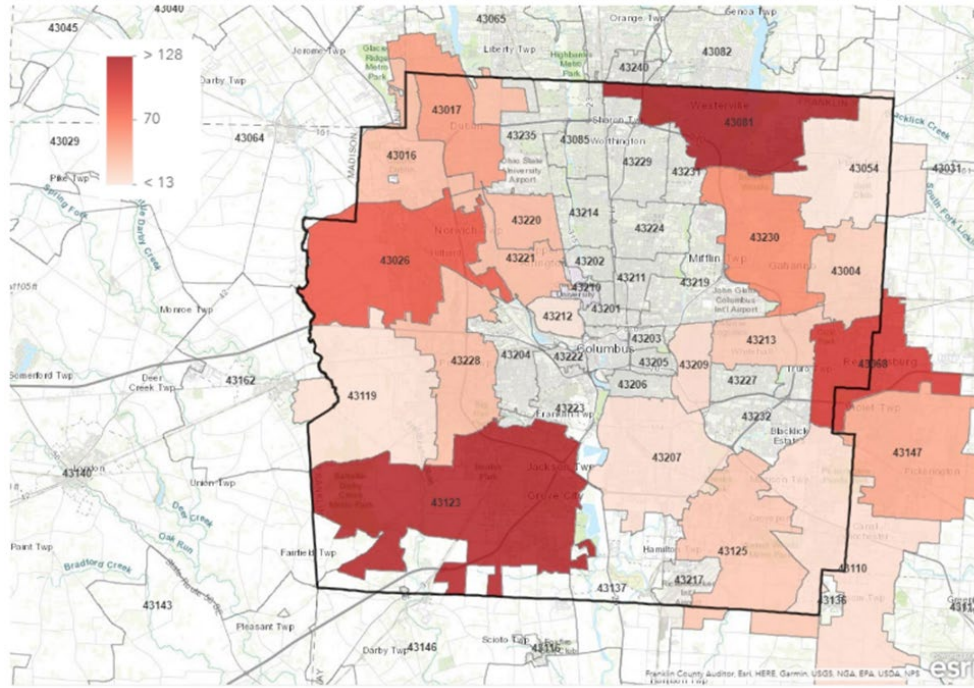
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7-Day Time Period	Total Reported New COVID-19 Cases Per 100,000 People During the 7-Day Time Period	New COVID-19 Hospital Admissions Per 100,000 People	% Staffed Inpatient Beds Occupied By COVID-19 Patients
02 March – 08 March 2023	64.70	5.7	1.9%
09 March – 15 March 2023	62.27	5.1	1.7%
16 March – 22 March 2023	54.3	5.6	1.9%
General Guidance: CDC updated on 8/11/22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COVID-19 Community Levels help individuals and communities decide which prevention actions to take based on the latest information. • For the most up to date guidance for individuals and communities, please visit: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/covid-by-county.html 		



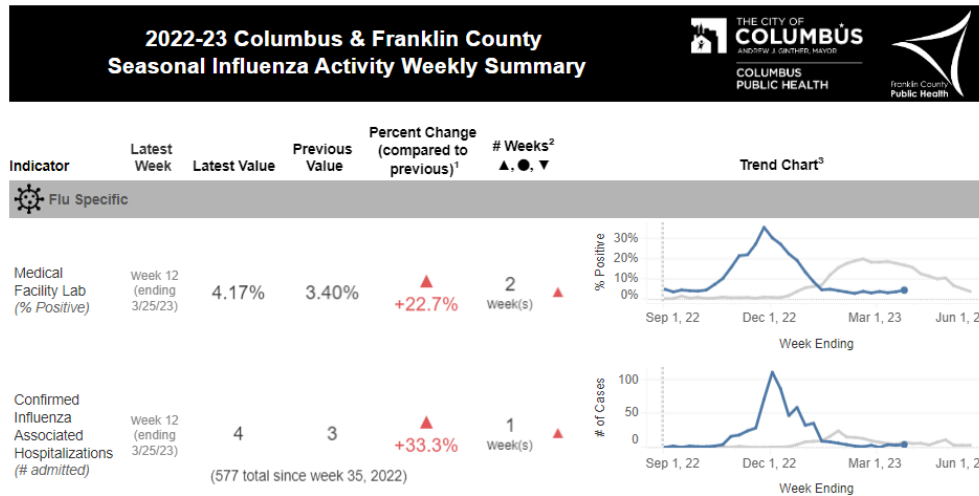
COVID-19 Cases by ZIP Code, FCPH Jurisdiction, February 24, - March 24, 2023



2022-2023 Franklin County Seasonal Influenza Activity

Local influenza activity remains low at this time with decreases in laboratory testing activity and Influenza Associated Hospitalizations (IAH) case reports.

FRANKLIN COUNTY- LOCAL ACTIVITY

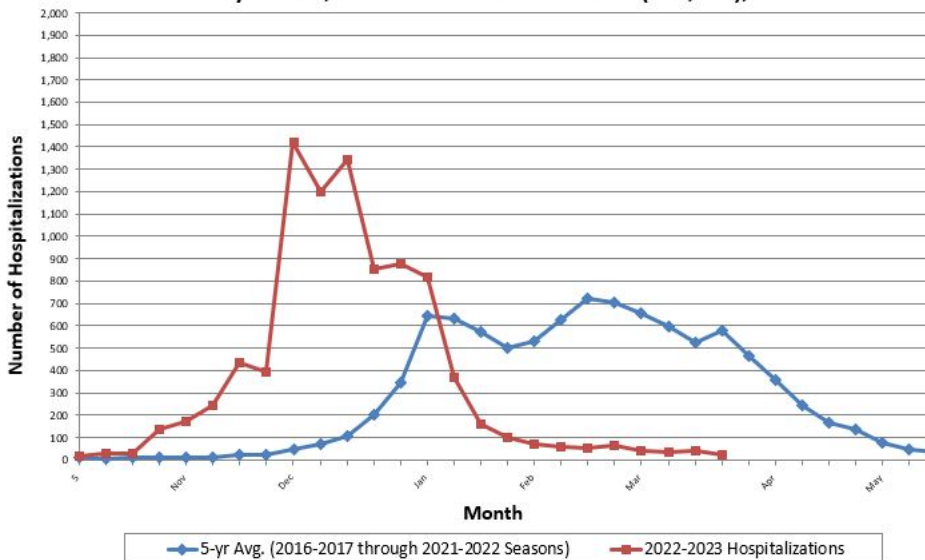


Source: https://public.tableau.com/views/Flu_Surveillance/Dashboard-FluActivity?:language=en&:display_count=y&:origin=viz_share_link&:showVizHome=no

OHIO-STATE ACTIVITY

ODH Seasonal Influenza Activity report: <https://odh.ohio.gov/know-our-programs/seasonal-influenza/influenza-dashboard/influenza-dashboard>

**Ohio Confirmed Influenza-associated Hospitalizations
by Month; 2022-2023 Influenza Season (n=8,968);**



State, Regional, and National Data:

Ohio Surveillance Data:

- The U.S. World Health Organization (WHO) Collaborating Laboratories System and the National Respiratory and Enteric Virus Surveillance System (NREVSS) has reported 149,370 tests for influenza performed at participating facilities; of these, 1,088 tested positive for influenza A(H1N1pdm09), 1,255 for influenza A(H3N2), 21,563 for influenza A (subtyping not performed), and 166 for influenza B (through 03/25/2023).
- Five influenza-associated pediatric mortalities have been reported so far during the 2022-2023 influenza season (through 03/25/2023).
- No novel influenza A virus infections have been reported so far during the 2022-2023 influenza season (through 03/25/2023).
- Incidence of confirmed influenza-associated hospitalizations in 2022-2023 season = 8,968 (through 03/25/2023).

HHS Regional Surveillance Data*: During week 11 (March 12th - March 18th, 2023), the percentage of outpatient visits for influenza-like illness (ILI) in Region 5 (Ohio is in Region 5) was 1.8%, which is **below** the regional baseline of 2.5%.

Source: <https://odh.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/odh/know-our-programs/seasonal-influenza/ohio-flu-activity/ohio-flu-activity>

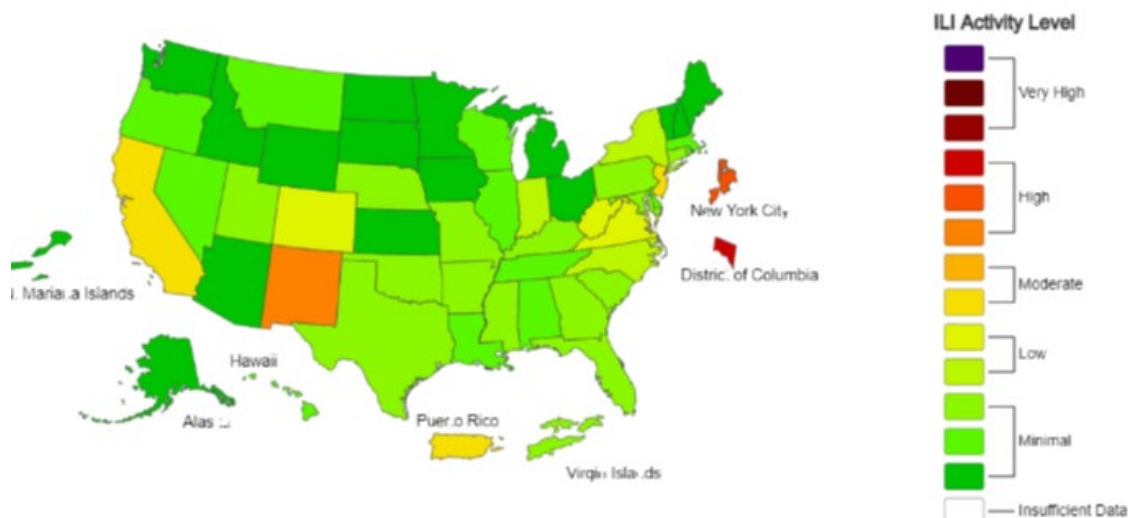
NATIONAL ACTIVITY

National Surveillance Data: During 11 (March 12th - March 18th, 2023), the majority of U.S. states reported Minimal or Low activity, though some states are reporting Moderate or High activity. The percentage of outpatient visits for ILI was 2.4%, which is at the national baseline of 2.4%. Three of 10 HHS regions reported ILI levels at or above their region-specific baseline level.

National activity levels and more information can be found at the following CDC pages:

- <http://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/usmap.htm>
- <http://www.cdc.gov/flu/>

2022-23 Influenza Season Week 11 ending Mar 18, 2023



Source: <https://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/index.htm>

Rise In Group A Strep Infections with US

Bacteria called group A *Streptococcus* (group A strep) can cause many different infections. These infections range from minor illnesses to very serious and deadly disease.

Group A strep bacteria can cause a range of illnesses. Invasive disease means that germs invade parts of the body that are normally free from germs. When this happens, disease is usually very severe, requiring care in a hospital and even causing death in some cases. Necrotizing fasciitis and streptococcal toxic shock syndrome are examples of iGAS infections.

In addition to causing uncommon but severe and invasive infections, group A strep bacteria cause common and generally mild illnesses like strep throat and scarlet fever.

iGAS infections in 2022

Preliminary 2022 data indicated that iGAS infection levels in children



- Increased earlier in the season (September through November) than in a typical year
- Occurred during the same time as increases in respiratory viruses (e.g., influenza, respiratory syncytial virus [RSV]) and less severe group A strep infections
- Were higher than pre-COVID-19 pandemic levels in some areas of the country

iGAS infections in 2023

Preliminary 2023 data indicate

- iGAS infections have remained high in children in some areas of the country even after respiratory viruses decreased in those areas
 - This is occurring during the time when group A strep infections are normally highest (December through April)
- Some areas of the country have also seen an increase in iGAS infections in adults, particularly in those aged 65 years or older

CDC tracks invasive group A strep infections through [Active Bacterial Core surveillance \(ABCs\)](https://www.cdc.gov/abcs/methodology/surv-pop.html), a population-based, active- and laboratory-based surveillance system. This means local and state health departments routinely contact laboratories to identify all cases, then report those cases to CDC. CDC does not track non-invasive group A strep infections.

<https://www.cdc.gov/abcs/methodology/surv-pop.html>

Candida Auris

Candida auris is an emerging fungus that presents a serious global health threat. CDC is concerned about *C. auris* for three main reasons:

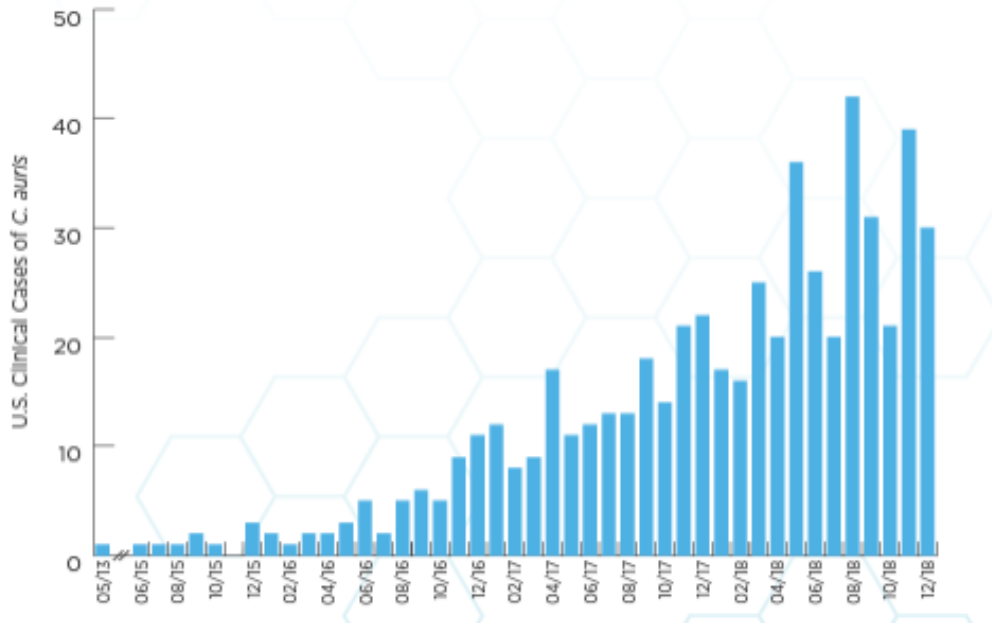
1. It is often multidrug-resistant, meaning that it is resistant to multiple antifungal drugs commonly used to treat *Candida* infections. Some strains are resistant to all three available classes of antifungals.
2. It is difficult to identify with standard laboratory methods, and it can be misidentified in labs without specific technology. Misidentification may lead to inappropriate management.
3. It has caused outbreaks in healthcare settings. For this reason, it is important to quickly identify *C. auris* in a hospitalized patient so that healthcare facilities can take special precautions to stop its spread.

CDC encourages all U.S. laboratory staff who identify *C. auris* to notify their state or local public health authorities

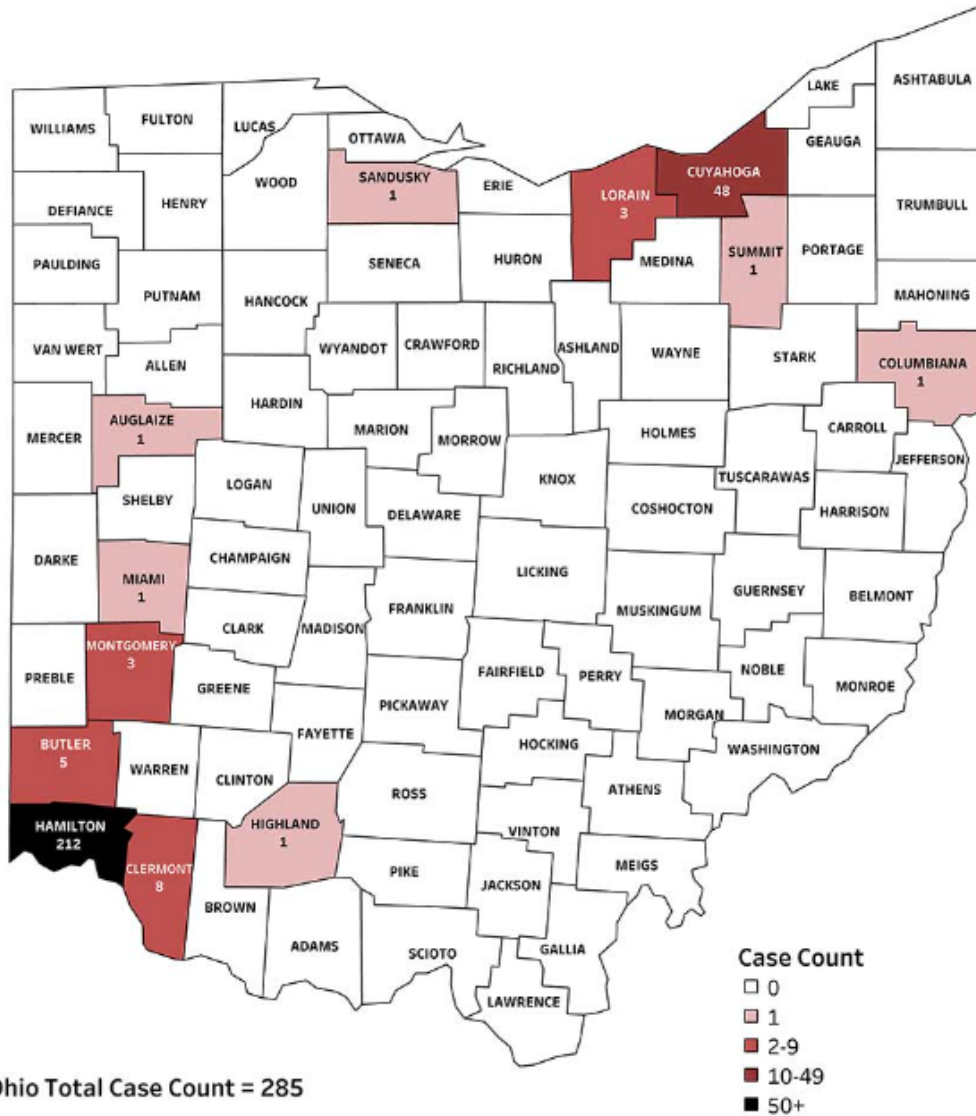


CASES OVER TIME

C. auris began spreading in the United States in 2015. Reported cases increased 318% in 2018 when compared to the average number of cases reported in 2015 to 2017.



**Number of Candida auris cases May 13, 2020 - November 18, 2022
(includes clinical and screening cases)**



Ohio Total Case Count = 285

County reflects county of facility where specimen was collected.
All data are preliminary and subject to change.
Source: Ohio Disease Reporting System

Respectfully submitted by Alex Jones, Assistant Health Commissioner/Director of Prevention & Wellness, April 14, 2023.