



## AGENDA / MINUTES

<b>Committee/Project/Meeting:</b>		Genesee-Orleans Board of Health	
<b>Date:</b>	October 5, 2021	<b>Recorder:</b>	Jenna Leach
<b>Time:</b>	4:00 p.m.		
<b>Location:</b>	Orleans County Health Department/Zoom		
<b>Attendance:</b> Mr. Grout, Mrs. Nichols, Dr. Obear, Mr. Torrey, Mrs. Page, Mr. Draper B. Bedard, P. Pettit, S. Balduf, N. Goodrich-Kresse, K. Pettine, K. Castricone, J. Leach, S. Senf			
<b><u>AGENDA / TOPICS</u></b>		<b><u>DISCUSSION (CONCISE SUMMARY)</u></b>	
<b>Minutes from August 3, 2021</b>			
<b>Public Concerns/Discussions/ Presentations</b>		B. Bedard mentioned the opposition of masking. Concerns with a parent group encouraging kids to wear mesh masks to school.	
<b>Division Reports</b>		COVID-19	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community Health Report</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regularly pushing COVID-19 data. Orleans County currently has over 4,000 cases and about 6,400 cases in Genesee County.</li> <li>• Vaccination percentages for Orleans County: 51.9% of the population receiving at least one dose and 61% over the age of 18 have received at least one dose. Vaccination percentages for Genesee County: 56.7% of the population receiving at least one dose and 67.6% over the age of 18 have received at least one dose.</li> <li>• Both counties are seeing increased cases due to the Delta variant. There have been a few deaths in Genesee County. G.C currently has 11 people in the hospital and O.C. has two.</li> <li>• Internal COVID-19 clinics have increased and will likely continue to increase due to both counties offering boosters. Orleans County may continue clinics offsite if the demand continues to increase. Currently, there is not a large demand for the booster vaccine. Both counties are still going to migrant camps to provide vaccinations.</li> <li>• There is an increase demand for COVID 19 testing. As a result of this, we are seeing more positive cases. The booster has been approved for Pfizer. There is a 3<sup>rd</sup> dose available for all 3 vaccines for immune suppressed individuals.</li> </ul>	
		Immunization Clinics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clinics are picking up due to children needing school required vaccines.</li> <li>• Orleans County is partnering with Walgreens to provide annual flu vaccine clinics at local schools. The first one is October 6<sup>th</sup> in Holley. Next week there will be clinics in Lyndonville and Kendall.</li> </ul>	
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		<b>ACTION / NEXT STEPS</b> Approved: Motion: Mrs. Page Second: Mr. Draper All members in favor.  No Action Required. Informational Only.  No Action Required. Informational Only.	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Both counties are each following up on one latent TB case each.</li> </ul> <p>MCH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Both counties are still getting referrals, although they have slowed down since September. Individuals are not taking advantage of referrals and additional resources likely due to COVID.</li> </ul> <p>Lead</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In Orleans County, there have been two cases that required home visits. Genesee County has had many elevated blood lead levels, so staff are busy following up with cases.</li> </ul> <p>CD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Both counties are seeing general GI illnesses. (Salmonella, Campylobacter, Giardia, and E.coli) These are isolated cases with an unknown origin. There was one interesting case of Encephalitis, the county received confirmation in late August early September. The sample went to the State laboratory, and identified with a mosquito borne illness called Cash Valley. The individual did have a history of travel and many comorbidities.</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Environmental Report</li> </ul>	<p>In September, S. Balduf attended the NYS Conference for Environmental Health Directors and wanted to share a few key points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The State maximum contaminant level exceedance. In Genesee County, Applegrove MHP will be connecting to Public Water Supply due to this.</li> <li>Counties have been required to follow the NYS Sanitary Code for food services. In 2022, the state is looking at adopting the FDA model food code. An example in changes we might see is temperature control.</li> <li>Wastewater surveillance for COVID in both counties.</li> </ul> <p>Staffing –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lindsey Osterman resigned, we are currently interviewing for position. Bailey Groth will be taking over the water program.</li> <li>Cierra Lang has started her FSIO2 standard training.</li> </ul> <p>Indian Falls Log Cabin has had an ongoing rodent problem. On the most recent inspection there was another Category 1 Public Health Hazard. The 3<sup>rd</sup> offense requires enforcement which will be a \$500 fine. If there is another violation, the BOH would vote to revoke permit.</p> <p>A student from the University of Buffalo studying for his Masters in Public Health will be shadowing Environmental staff in October.</p> <p>Rabies Clinic</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Genesee County – August Clinic: 274 animals. 209 Dogs, 65 cats, and \$532 in donations.</li> <li>Genesee County – September Clinic: 231 animals, 163 Dogs, 68 Cats, and \$364 in donations.</li> <li>Orleans County - October Clinic: 246 animals, 246 animals.</li> </ul>	<p>No Action Required. Informational Only.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Financial Report</li> </ul>	<p>O.C. submitted the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter report. K. Castricone is currently working state aid, budgets and various grants.</p>	<p>No Action Required. Informational Only.</p>

	<p>Both counties received funding for COVID testing within schools. Local schools will be provided Abbott test machines and test kits for their employees and students.</p> <p>Both counties received paperwork for the fellowship grant, which will allow each health department the ability to hire individuals assist with COVID-19 responsibilities.</p> <p>G.C is working on the same grants.</p> <p>G.C received the CDC Lead grant that started October 1. The grant allows for three individuals to be hired, two have already started, and staff are currently interviewing for 3<sup>rd</sup> position.</p> <p>The proposed 2022 budget was approved and will be going to legislature, nothing significant was removed.</p> <p>The 2021 budget expenses and revenue are in line. The only significant change is rabies cases have increased.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Corporate Compliance Report</li> </ul>	<p>Both county's employees are compliant on Corporate Compliance training.</p> <p>N. Goodrich-Kresse reviewed PowerPoint slides with all present members.</p>	<p>Corporate Compliance documents will be sent to all members. Each member should fill out the required documentation and submit to the Health Department.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Public Health Education</li> </ul>	<p>The written report is attached and a component of these official minutes.</p>	<p>No Action Required. Informational Only.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Director's Report</li> </ul>	<p>P. Pettit notified the BOH that employees in both counties are doing a great job in regards to COVID-19.</p> <p>New employees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sherri Bendsley is the new Early Intervention Service Coordinator in Orleans County.</li> </ul> <p>Vacancies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>G.C. is interviewing for the Lead CDC grant positions, and currently has a COVID-19 specialist position available.</li> <li>In O.C., a Public Health Nursing position has been vacant for over a year. They also have an Epidemiologist position available.</li> </ul> <p>In August, both counties held a volunteer recognition event for those who worked at the COVID-19 testing and vaccination clinics.</p> <p>COVID – We are able to do surveillance testing of wastewater in regards to COVID rates.</p> <p>Both counties will be receiving money from the Opioid Settlement Fund. G.C. will receive \$600,000 - \$1,000,000, and O.C. \$350,000 – \$600,000. These funds will be limited to what they can be used for. Some of the funds will be used for various programs within the GOW Opioid Task Force.</p>	<p>No Action Required. Informational Only.</p>
<p><b>Old Business</b></p>	<p>No old business to discuss.</p>	<p>No Action Required. Informational Only.</p>
<p><b>New Business</b></p>	<p>No new business to discuss.</p>	<p>No Action Required. Informational Only.</p>

<b>Other</b>		
<b>Adjournment</b>		Motion: Mrs. Page Second: Dr. Obear All members in favor.
<b>Next meeting:</b> Genesee County/Zoom December 7, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.		



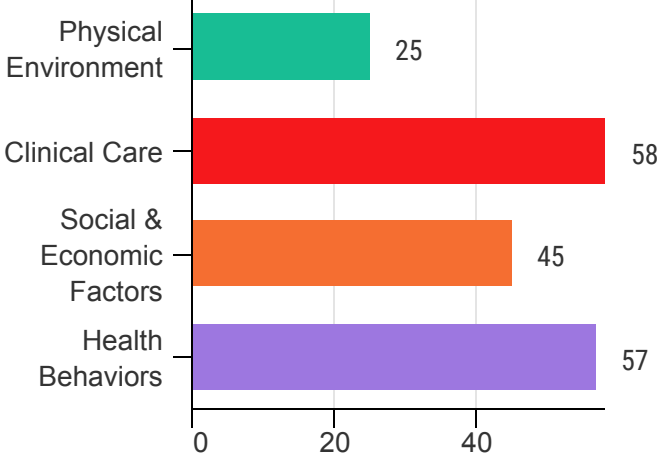
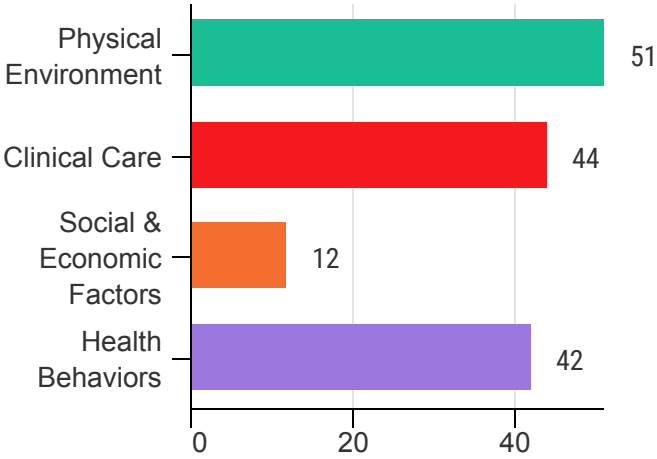
#43 **2021 County Health Rankings** #60

**Genesee** **Orleans**

**Health Factors**

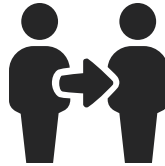
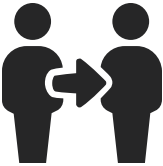
**#28 Overall Ranking**

**#53 Overall Ranking**



**Primary Care Physicians to Patient Ratio**

**Adult Obesity**



**3,380:1**  
Genesee

**13,540:1**  
Orleans

**34%**  
Genesee

**37%**  
Orleans

## Adult Smoking



23%

Genesee



25%

Orleans

## Drug Overdose Deaths



49/100,000

Genesee



17/100,000

Orleans

## Diabetes Prevalence



13%

Genesee



16%

Orleans

## Motor Vehicle Crash Deaths



42/100,000

Genesee



38/100,000

Orleans

### Genesee Improving Indicators:

- Flu Vaccinations
- Mammography Screening
- Sexually Transmitted Infection
- Adult Obesity

### Orleans Improving Indicators:

- Preventable Hospital Stays
- Adult Obesity
- Physical Inactivity
- Alcohol-impaired Driving Deaths



### **Key Takeaway:**

There is still a lot of work to do for both counties.



### **Key Takeaway:**

COVID-19 has had a strong impact on our services.