



Monthly Report

MONTHLY REPORT — JULY 2023

NSHD Priority Areas

The goal of these monthly reports is to showcase the work being done at the North Shore Health Department and to increase transparency with community leaders, partners, elected officials, and the public.



We align our work with our department's four priority areas that were established in the last Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) published in 2020. The monthly report highlights the work done in each of our four priority areas over the past month, as well as other important work and activities done by our department. We completed our 2022-26 Community Health Assessment (CHA) which will lead into the development of a new CHIP with updated priority areas.

July Highlights

➤ We were featured on Fox6 Milwaukee to discuss water quality at local beaches. [Read the article](#) and [watch the video](#). We test Atwater, Klode and Doctors Park beaches twice a week for harmful bacteria and issue advisories or closures, as necessary.



➤ Mosquito surveillance has been underway since mid-July. On July 25 and July 31, positive West Nile Virus (WNV) mosquitoes were detected at multiple locations in Milwaukee County - one of the locations was in Glendale. Learn more about the surveillance and see surveillance data (updated weekly) on our [website](#).

Updates from the Health Officer

Drafted the 2024 North Shore Health Department budget.

Continued working with our partners at WI Department of Natural Resources, WI Department of Health Services and the City of Glendale on the elevated trichloroethylene (TCE) in The Lydell apartments.

Received notice of award from WI Department of Health Services for a harm reduction vending machine that will have Narcan nasal spray and fentanyl test strips available for free for the public.



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MENTAL HEALTH

Held the first two Parent Social Group meetings in July. This is a new initiative at our department as part of our Maternal Child Health grant objective around social connectedness. Staff set up a space for parents, grandparents, caregivers, and children to come hang out and have discussions. The plan is to host two per month moving forward. Interested in attending?

[REGISTER HERE](#)

2 Social media posts related to the new UpliftWI peer support phone line and Minority Mental Health Month.

Screened moms for postpartum depression and provided resources during newborn home visits

Met with Mom's Mental Health Initiative to discuss ways NSHD can better support postpartum moms

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SUBSTANCE USE

Trained North Shore residents and Senior Resource Center staff on how to use Narcan

Attended a listening session and completed a survey on how we propose the JUUL Settlement Funds be used in Wisconsin. The settlement consists of nearly \$15 million over the next five to nine years to reverse the harm caused by electronic nicotine delivery devices, also known as e-cigarettes or vapes. Learn more and provide your input [HERE](#).

Distributed DisposeRx packets and Detera drug disposal bags at farmers markets and spoke with community members on how to use them

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INJURY PREVENTION

Promoted bike and swimming safety at community events

16 Social media posts related to injury prevention, including safe swimming, pedestrian safety, and heat safety

Spoke to parents and caregivers at our Parent Social group about open water safety and provided handouts and incentives

Shared resources on preventing heat stroke during several extreme heat days in July

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PHYSICAL ACTIVITY & NUTRITION

3 New baby/lactation visits that identified and corrected breastfeeding issues

Conducted community outreach at the Brown Deer Farmers Market and promoted area markets in our communications





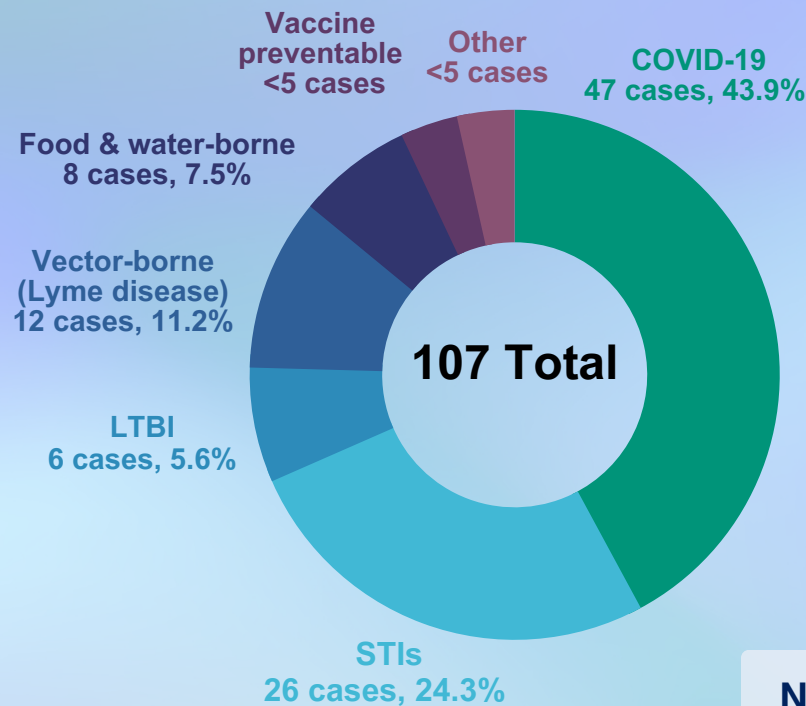
Healthy Highlights Recap

- **July was Minority Mental Health Awareness Month.** Minority Mental Health Awareness Month highlights the mental health disparities that individuals with marginalized identities face. Learn more about organizations fighting to alleviate this burden [here](#).
- **Heat & UV Safety** were important topics as temperatures rose in July.
- We shared tips for **safe swimming** and **signs of harmful algal blooms** to ensure residents are staying safe when they go in the water this summer.
- We reminded campers to plan properly and bring health essentials with them in our **camping safety** highlight.

[View all the previous highlights here.](#)

Communicable Diseases

Probable + Confirmed Cases



WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

- Staff attended virtual training *A Protocol For Working With Hmong Clients* hosted by the Hmong Friendship Center.
- Attended a workshop on *Advancing Diagnostic Excellence for Maternal Health Care* for improving mental health in adolescents and postpartum moms.
- Our summer interns shadowed many of our staff in July to learn about the different job functions of public health. They experienced restaurant inspections, mosquito and tick surveillance, beach water quality testing, newborn home visits, our new parent social group, and more!



ADDITIONAL COMMUNICABLE DISEASE FOLLOW-UP

Followed up on 5 animal bites in July.

This summer we partnered with WI DHS to conduct [mosquito](#) and tick surveillance. DHS tests the mosquitoes for West Nile Virus and the ticks for Lyme disease.

NORTH SHORE ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH CONSORTIUM

50 INSPECTIONS	5 NEW LICENSES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attended the Southeast Regional Task Force Meeting • Inspected vendors at area farmers markets
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