

MONTHLY REPORT OVERVIEW

JULY 2022

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.

As we focus on COVID-19 recovery at NSHD, we are re-aligning our work with our department's four priority areas that were established prior to the start of the COVID-19 pandemic. This 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.

NSHD PRIORITY AREAS

Our department is guided by four priority areas that were identified in the last Community Health Assessment (CHA) and Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) published in 2020.



MENTAL & EMOTIONAL WELLBEING
for a Healthy North Shore



SUBSTANCE-FREE LIVING for a Healthy North Shore



INJURY PREVENTION
ACROSS THE LIFESPAN
for a Healthy North Shore



PHYSICAL ACTIVITY and NUTRITION
for a Healthy North Shore

UPDATES FROM THE HEALTH OFFICER

- ▶ Met with Milwaukee County Health Officers to discuss strategies for ongoing COVID-19 response, Monkeypox, and back to school planning.
- ▶ Met with community members and the president of the WI Policy Forum to plan for the creation of a North Shore Dementia Consortium.
- ▶ Attended full day new Health Officer training in Stevens Point with approximately 35 other new health officers across Wisconsin.
- ▶ Attended Southeast Wisconsin Association of Local Health Departments and Boards (WALHDAB) meeting with SE Region Health Officers.
- ▶ Attended several meetings and informational sessions about Monkeypox response to prepare for contact tracing & disease investigation responsibilities.
- ▶ NSHD received a \$35,000 grant that will support Qualitative Data for Capacity Building and Alignment. NSHD will use these funds for the salary of limited term employees to conduct outreach and community-level work that will intentionally lift the voices of underrepresented communities in our community health assessment and improvement planning.
- ▶ Supported 4 habitability and human health hazard investigations.

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#1 MENTAL HEALTH

The new 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline went live on July 15. We shared 4 social media posts about 988 and included it in our weekly highlight emails to community leaders for further distribution.

We are currently interviewing key informants for our Community Health Assessment and the topic of mental health is frequently brought up during interviews as a major health concern. This has prompted us to seek out interviews with mental health providers.

Connected with an outreach representative at Roger's Behavioral Health who provided us with outreach materials about the services they provide.

#3 INJURY PREVENTION

11 Car Seat Installations

NSHD received a scope of work (SOW) for a project through WI DHS regarding Lead in Water Testing. We will be supporting childcare entities in testing at their facilities—there are 31 in the NS and the SOW will provide \$1,200 per site tested.

Presented open water swim safety and new life jacket label instruction at community events, as part of US Coast Guard/SafeKids Grant

12 Social media posts related to injury prevention, including life jackets, firework safety, bike safety, fire safety, heat safety, emergency preparedness, and safe camping.

Several bike helmets were fitted and sold at our two offices.

Attended Public Health Emergency Response Plan workgroup meeting.

#2 SUBSTANCE USE

Attended the Milwaukee County Overdose Fatality Review meeting

Continued to plan for trauma-informed care training we are hosting in August for our area first responders (North Shore Fire & Rescue & police departments), & other community partners.

Handed out "Signs of an Overdose" and NARCAN info cards at farmers markets

Attended the Wisconsin Overdose Fatality Review (OFR) Community of Practice meeting to learn about the work being done across the State by all of the OFR teams.

Applied for the Narcan Direct Program through WI DHS so we can train people how to use Narcan & distribute Narcan in the community.

2 Social media posts about substance use prevention

Attended an informational session about a grant for Next of Kin interviewing. These interviews are conducted with a decedent's family, friend or loved one following a fatal overdose.

#4 PHYSICAL ACTIVITY & NUTRITION

Social media posts and communications relating to food deserts, farmers markets, and maternal & child health.

Public Health Nurse who is also a Certified Lactation Counselor (CLC) attended Maternal & Child Health grant call and completed home baby visits for breastfeeding consultation.

Shared our summer newsletter with information about community events. Approximately 4,000 people opened the email version of the newsletter, and we had additional readers from social media and our website.



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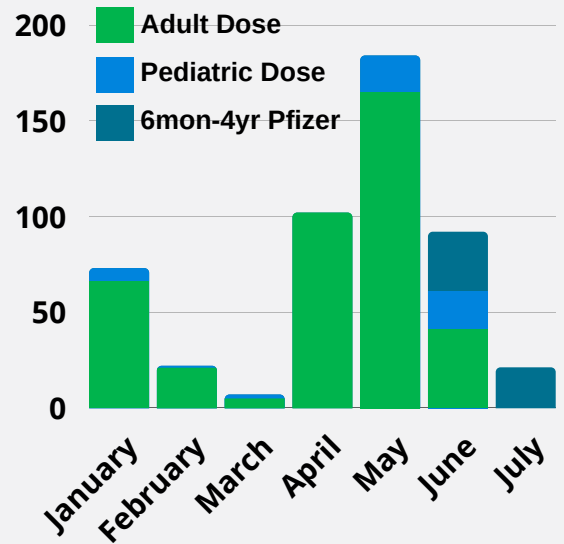
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COVID-19 RESPONSE

VACCINATIONS

Our department continued to administer COVID-19 vaccines in July for 6 month to 4 year olds. In total, we administered 26 doses of the 6 mon to 4 year Pfizer vaccine. We expect the demand for adult and 5-11 year old boosters will increase again this fall.

COVID-19 Vaccines Administered at NSHD

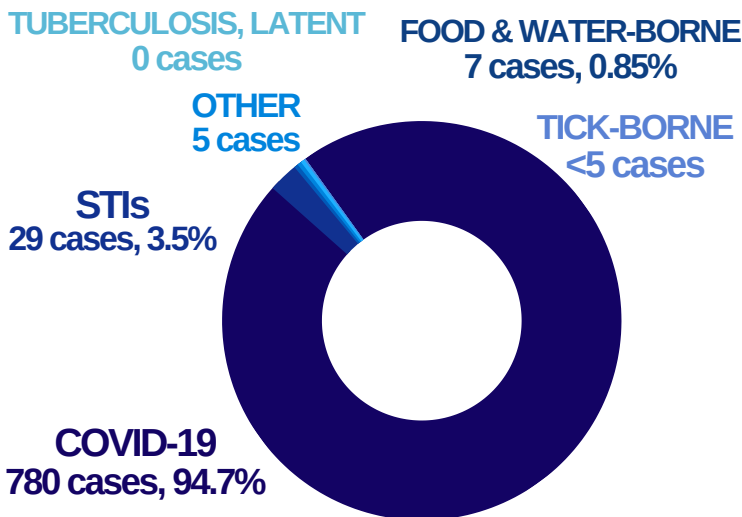


CASE FOLLOW-UP

We adjusted our case follow-up criteria this month so calls are made only for COVID-19 positive cases that are ≤ 12 and ≥ 70 years old. Our primary COVID-19 case manager made 186 calls to COVID-19 positive clients & completed 172 interviews in July. He also received 22 calls from childcare centers and 16 calls from long-term care facilities regarding COVID-19 protocols.

COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

(PROBABLE + CONFIRMED)
CASES, PERCENTAGE



North Shore Environmental Health Consortium

- Completed 51 inspections
- Issued 6 new licenses
- Followed up on 4 complaints
- Attended 6 farmers markets to inspect mobile food vendors

ADDITIONAL JULY HIGHLIGHTS

Attended community events to promote our community health survey and distribute free health materials: Brown Deer Community Vibes, Shorewood Farmers Market

Our Senior Environmental Health Specialist, Brad Simerly, was promoted to the Deputy Health Officer position.

Promoted a community blood drive at our Brown Deer office. A total of 14 people donated.

Attended workgroup meetings on the State Health Improvement Plan (SHIP) to better align our Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) with the SHIP.

ADDITIONAL COMMUNICABLE DISEASE FOLLOW-UP

Received notification of 9 animal bites that required complete follow-up and quarantine for rabies prevention & control

Answered questions and assisted with investigations for the following diseases, among others: Malaria, Legionnaires' disease, Carbapenemase Producing Organism (CPO), Monkeypox

Started having condoms available for distribution at our offices to promote safe sex & STI prevention