

AGENDA
Tompkins County Board of Health
Rice Conference Room
55 Brown Road, Ithaca NY 14850

Tuesday, December 7, 2021
12:00 Noon

Live Stream at Tompkins County YouTube Channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkpJNVbpLLbEbhoDbTIEgSQ>

- 12:00 I.** Call to Order
- 12:01 II.** Privilege of the Floor – Anyone may address the Board of Health (max. 3 mins.)
- 12:04 III.** Approval of October 26, 2021 Minutes (2 mins.)
- 12:06 IV.** Financial Summary (9 mins.)
- 12:15 V.** Reports (15 mins.)
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| Administration | Children with Special Care Needs |
| Health Promotion Program | County Attorney’s Report |
| Medical Director’s Report | Environmental Health |
| Division for Community Health | CSB Report |
- 12:30 VI.** New Business
- 12:30 Environmental Health** (15 mins)
Enforcement Actions:
1. Resolution #EH-ENF-21-0017 – Casablanca Pizzeria, C- Ithaca, Violations of Subpart 14-1 of the New York State Sanitary Code (Food) (5 mins.)
 2. Resolution #EH-ENF-21-0018 – AGAVA, T-Ithaca, Violations Subpart 14-1 of New York State Sanitary Code (Food) (5 mins.)
 3. Resolution #EH-ENF-21-0019 – Ithaca Bakery, V-Lansing, Violations of BOH Orders #EH-ENF-10-001 Subpart 14-1 of the New York State Sanitary Code (Food) (5 mins.)
- 12:45 Administration** (5 mins.)
Administrative Action:
1. Board Nominations
- 12:50 Adjournment**

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MINUTES
Tompkins County Board of Health
October 26, 2021
12:00 Noon
Virtual Meeting via Zoom and In-Person for Members

Present: Christina Moylan, Ph.D., President; David Evelyn, MD; Melissa Dhundale, MD; Edward Koppel, MD; Susan Merkel; and Ravinder Kingra

Staff: Brenda Grinnell-Crosby, Public Health Administrator; Liz Cameron, Director of Environmental Health; Samantha Hillson, Director of Health Promotion Program; Deb Thomas, Director of Children with Special Care Needs; Jonathan Wood, County Attorney; Claire Espey, Director of Community Health; and Harmony Ayers-Friedlander and Karan Palazzo, LGU Administrative Assistant

Excused: Shawna Black; Samara Touchton; Frank Kruppa, Public Health Director

Guests: No one was present.

Call to Order: Dr. Moylan called the regular meeting of the Board of Health (BOH) to order at 12:00 p.m.

Privilege of the Floor: No one was present.

Approval of September 28, 2021 Minutes: Dr. Dhundale moved to approve the minutes of the September 28, 2021, seconded by Dr. Evelyn. All others in attendance voted to approve the September 28, 2021 meeting minutes.

Financial Summary: Ms. Grinnell Crosby referred to the September 2021 financial summary report included in the packet with nothing more to add. She said money continues to be spent on COVID related expenses and they are figuring out where we are amongst the four major divisions so additional funds can be requested from the legislature, if necessary.

Dr. Moylan clarified that the spending includes the medical examiner program which is not covered by COVID expenses. Ms. Grinnell Crosby confirmed and said the finance department was put on notice of a projected \$40,000 overdraw. The department will wait to get closer to year end before transferring from another mandated account.

Administration Report: Mr. Kruppa was not present.

Health Promotion Program Report: Ms. Hillson reported that this is blood lead poisoning prevention week. She noted that TCDH and EH continued to access any child who has high lead blood levels during COVID. Ms. Hillson complimented the HPP team in assisting with communications, updating the county website and social media in response to COVID whenever called on.

Vaccine: All three booster shots are now approved and the eligibility criteria can be found on the TCDH website. It is recommended that individuals reach out to their primary care physicians or their local pharmacy as the department is focusing on youth vaccination clinics, which should start the beginning of November.

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Medical Director's Report and Discussion: Dr. Klepack referred to his report included in the packet and directed attention to the article "MARIJUANA REGULATION AND TAXATION ACT OF 2021." He reported that the Cannabis Control Board (CCB) is being constituted. With the CCB getting underway it becomes timely for BOH members to weigh in on the regulations and rules which will govern such important provisions as how THC will be advertised, what forms will be allowed, and etc. He encouraged a review of the report and to send comments/suggestions to the email address provided. He suggested attaching the document with their correspondence.

Dr. Klepack added that the substances which cause dependency and tend to cause addiction are ones that achieve a very rapid rise in blood level. Substances that are inhaled or smoked achieve a rapid rise in blood concentration and, thus, are more likely to cause dependency or addiction compared to ingesting. Inhalation also poses other dangers (chronic bronchitis, chronic obstructive lung disease, cancers of pulmonary system, the GI tract and etc.)

Other points made during his verbal report:

- TCHD is focusing on 5-11 year-old Covid vaccinations
- There will be a local medical community conference this Friday morning at CMC titled: "COVID-19, An Update"
 - Dr. Jeffrey Snedeker will focus primarily on children and adolescents
 - Dr. Klepack will speak on the general public health situation
- A recent NY Times survey of county public health departments found them to be less prepared to deal the with the pandemic now compared to the start of the pandemic.
- TCHD continues to urge the public sector, private practices (primary care, and specialists) to participate in vaccinating the public.
- Studies continue to show that the vaccine prevents hospitalizations and death. 77% of persons hospitalized were unvaccinated compared to 23% having been vaccinated (those who were vaccinated also had other hi-risk factors such as being elderly). 69 non-ICU admissions were unvaccinated compared to 31 non-ICU admissions were vaccinated; 11 fatalities include 7 unvaccinated and 4 vaccinated

Dr. Klepack urged all citizens to also use prevention measures prudently even if vaccinated.

Questions:

Dr. Dhundale asked if vaccines can be mixed.

Dr. Klepack said that the formal recommendation is to stay with the initial vaccine, but mixing and using a different vaccine can be done. He noted that persons may have a medical reason for using a different Covid vaccine. Recommendations are changing as more data from scientific studies are compiled.

Division for Community Health Report: Ms. Espey referred to her report included in the packet and had nothing to add. She gave a brief overview of her report. She thanked health promotion team for the internet accessibility and the website. DCH continued to see record cases in September and was busy with clinics, surveillance work and responding to public inquiries. The team expanded due to the Delta variant and navigated the back to school transition. All cases are investigated or attempted within 24 hours of receiving the lab results. Workflow at the state level has diminished with their assurance that all our contacts referred to them are contacted the same day.

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Ms. Espey stressed the importance of community members to support DCH efforts and engage to stop the spread of COVID to protect the most vulnerable in society. In addition to responding to COVID, DCH is addressing flu clinics and childhood vaccines.

Ms. Espey said that DCH is aiming for a flexible, efficient, high quality response mechanism to ensure that data is collected and used to inform decisions to build trust around the science and the policies that are developed. A joint effort with the HPP team, CMC and other community partners made an application for a grant opportunity that focuses on maternal health disparities and a community health worker approach.

Children with Special Care Needs Report: Ms. Thomas had nothing to add to her written report.

County Attorney's Report: Mr. Wood reported that he will retire the end of December and Bill Troy was appointed the next County Attorney. Mr. Wood said the county legislature adopted a policy that it is optional to meet in person until January 15, 2022. It may be extended based on the legislature's possible new policy at that time.

Environmental Health Report: Ms. Cameron had nothing to add to her written report.

Community Mental Health Services Board (CSB) Report: Ms. Ayers-Friedlander reported that the CSB welcomed guest speaker Jed Wolkenbright, Counsel for the NYS Conference of Local Mental Hygiene Directors. His presentation gave a detailed history and overview of the board's role.

Resolution #EH-EN-21-0013- On the Street, Throughout Tompkins, Violation of Subpart 14-4 of the New York State Sanitary Code (Mobile Food) (5 mins.) Dr. Dhundale moved to accept the resolutions as written; seconded by Mr. Kingra.

The vote to approve the resolution as written was unanimous.

Brewer Request for Waiver of Article VI, Section 6.04(d) of Tompkins County Sanitary Code for Sewage System Located at 77 Shelter Valley Road

Ms. Cameron explained that this parcel is in an illegal subdivision developed on very small lots that now has public water. The property was purchased after being abandoned for more than five years and is required to install a sewage system in full compliance of the sanitary code requirements. With full compliance being impossible on this property, EH proposes to treat this as a replacement sewage system, so that an Enhanced Treatment Unit (ETU) can be installed, on the small lots to get better treatment. EH recommends approving the waiver request so the system can be treated as a replacement on the condition that they put in ETU with their sewage system.

The vote to approve the waiver was unanimous

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Applegate Park (T-Enfield) Request for Waiver of the 2021 Annual Water System Operating Fee and the Operating Permit Fee for Renewal of the Mobile Home Park Permit Expiring October 31, 2021.

Ms. Cameron explained that the owner of this mobile home park with a public water system on this property is requesting to waive the 2021 water system fee operating fee. EH has no recommendation and leaves the decision to the BOH. She said owner has not put in a request to waive the mobile home park permit fee which is due when the permit expires on October 31, 2021. Ms. Cameron said he has not submitted all of the information needed in monthly operating reports, has missed samplings, and has had unsatisfactory results with the water results. EH expects that the situation will need more oversight. She said that it is a complex situation, because if the waiver is not granted he will probably operate without a permit which will produce more fines.

Discussion: Dr. Dhundale asked if the deadline can be extended. Ms. Cameron said that late fees can be waived and a payment plan can be set up. She said that since mobile home parks are for profit, fees are not typically waived except during COVID. She noted that because of the category, expenses are often passed on to the residents in mobile home parks.

Ms. Merkel asked are there other examples where the fees have been waived because of extenuating circumstances in the pandemic. Ms. Cameron said that late fees were waived for restaurants during COVID which had to shut down their operations and all were brought before the board.

Dr. Evelyn asked about the history of his water system. Ms. Cameron said that the most recent water samples were positive for coliform but the owner did take additional water samples which were satisfactory. She noted it is unknown if the lack of rental income noted in his letter is all from the mobile home park as he other properties.

The vote to amend the motion with a payment plan and a waiver of late fees. Dr. Dhundale moved to accept the amended motion; seconded by Mr. Kingra. All were in favor to amended the motion.

The vote for the amended motion. All were in favor.

The next meeting is Tuesday, December 7th, 2021 @ Noon.

Adjournment: Ms. Merkel moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Dr. Koppel; meeting adjourned at 12: 53 p.m.

Board of Health
December 7, 2021
Financial Report

October 2021 / Month 10

COVID sampling costs not budgeted continue to inflate expenditures in functional unit 4010. The County is seeking FEMA reimbursement on these expenses, end of year adjustment is expected. Community Health is running above budget due to continued pandemic expenses, cell phones, computers, service contracts (answering service, 211 and a mail distribution program) and staff. Planning and Coordination of CSN is running higher due to on call expenses and over time. Work will continue with County Administration and County Finance to adjust the books for pandemic-related expenses, including addition of grant funds. The department received approval on the increased COVID funding allocation in our Immunization grant. The ELC School budget modification is in review at the state. COVID grants are being evaluated to maximize reimbursements.

The Medical Examiner Program will exceed their budget this year due to increased cases. The Finance Director has been notified; projected shortfall will need further review in December. The department will propose a transfer from other mandates later in the year.

Third quarter claims are in process. We have received approval on our Healthy Neighborhoods Program for 2021 (April 1, 2021 – March 30, 2022). Staff will evaluate supply needs and submit purchase requests. Fees and other revenues continue to run lower than budgeted as staff have not been able to stand up all programs.

Tompkins County Financial Report for Public Health

Percentage of Year 83.33%

	Expenditures			Revenues			Local Share		
	Budget	Paid YTD	%	Budget	YTD	%	Budget	TD	%
4010 PH ADMINISTRATION	2,742,286	4,421,667	161.24%	304,674	71,971	23.62%	2,437,612	4,349,696	179.34%
4011 EMERGING LEADERS IN PH	48,986	37,441	76.43%	48,986	0	0.00%		37,441	
4012 WOMEN, INFANTS & CHILDREN	526,561	419,487	79.67%	526,561	337,846	64.16%		81,640	
4013 OCCUPATIONAL HLTH.& SFTY.	98,435	78,101	79.34%	0	0	0.00%	98,435	78,101	79.34%
4015 VITAL RECORDS	77,825	58,310	74.92%	108,000	99,968	92.56%	-30,175	-41,658	138.06%
4016 COMMUNITY HEALTH	1,759,195	1,588,240	90.28%	629,804	302,123	47.97%	1,129,391	1,286,118	115.09%
4018 HEALTHY NEIGHBORHOOD PROG	173,713	99,642	57.36%	173,713	41,823	24.08%		57,819	
4047 PLNG. & COORD. OF C.S.N.	1,404,966	1,211,882	86.26%	396,690	300,998	75.88%	1,008,276	910,883	90.34%
4090 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH	1,761,219	1,390,624	78.96%	597,013	367,248	61.51%	1,164,206	1,023,376	87.92%
4095 PUBLIC HEALTH STATE AID	0	0	0.00%	1,235,837	902,398	73.02%	-1,235,837	-902,398	73.02%
Total Non-Mandate	8,593,186	9,305,394	108.29%	4,021,277	2,424,375	60.29%	4,571,908	6,881,019	150.51%
2960 PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATI	5,860,000	3,411,752	58.22%	3,823,000	2,334,734	61.07%	2,037,000	1,077,018	52.87%
4017 MEDICAL EXAMINER PROGRAM	288,226	235,540	81.72%	0	3,042	0.00%	288,226	232,498	80.67%
4054 EARLY INTERV (BIRTH-3)	653,000	275,085	42.13%	319,970	96,242	30.08%	333,030	178,843	53.70%
Total Mandate	6,801,226	3,922,377	57.67%	4,142,970	2,434,018	58.75%	2,658,256	1,488,359	55.99%
Total Public Health	15,394,412	13,227,771	85.93%	8,164,247	4,858,394	59.51%	7,230,164	8,369,378	115.76%

BALANCES (Includes Encumbrances)

	Available Budget	Revenues Needed		Available Budget	Revenues Needed
NON-MANDATE			MANDATE		
4010 Administration	-1,701,343	232,703	2960 Preschool	2,448,248	1,488,266
4012 WIC	101,044	188,715	4054 Early Intervention	377,915	223,728
4013 Health & Safety	20,334	0	4017 Medical Examiner	52,686	-3,042
4014 Medical Examiner	0	0		<u>2,878,849</u>	<u>1,708,952</u>
4015 Vitals	19,515	8,032			
4016 Community Health	157,239	327,681			
4018 Healthy Neighborhood	74,071	131,890			
4047 CSCN	193,085	95,692			
4048 PHCP	0	0			
4090 Environmental Health	370,421	229,765			
4095 State Aid	0	333,439			
	<u>-765,634</u>	<u>1,547,917</u>			

Total Public Health Balances	
Available Budget	Revenues Needed
<u>2,113,215</u>	<u>3,256,868</u>

HEALTH PROMOTION PROGRAM – October/November 2021

Samantha Hillson, Director, PIO
Ted Schiele, Planner/ Evaluator
Diana Crouch, Healthy Neighborhoods Education Coordinator
Shannon Alvord, Communications Coordinator

HPP staff strive to promote health equity and address underlying determinants of health, including but not limited to, health care access, health literacy, housing quality and environmental conditions, and food insecurity. We do this through education and outreach, community partnerships, home visits, public communication and marketing, and policy change.

Highlights

- Health Promotion staff continue to support the COVID-19 response with communications and public information. Staff continue to assist with vaccination clinics and delivery of saliva test kits.
- Strategic Plan implementation cross-functional team for Integration developed and submitted an RFP for a branding development agency. Submissions due by Dec 16.

Community Outreach

We worked with these community groups, programs, and organizations during the month

Groups, Programs, Orgs.	Activity/Purpose	Date
Childhood Nutrition Collaborative	Collective Impact, Healthiest Cities and Counties Challenge, Steering Committee and Monthly meeting	monthly
CHIP Steering Committee	Support CHIP working groups to guide process and progress through the plan	monthly
Long Term Care Committee	Planning and sharing resources for long-term care in the community.	quarterly
Health Planning Council	Advisory Board and Executive Committee	Bi-monthly
COFA Advisory Board	Updates and Age Friendly	quarterly
Suicide Prevention Coalition	Revival of this coalition, new leadership, strategic planning process	monthly
Immunization Coalition	Quarterly meeting, updates about COVID-19 vaccine and discussion/feedback, youth vaccination promotion	quarterly
Lead Poisoning Prevention Network	Quarterly meeting, review lead cases, prevention, new regulation	quarterly
Cayuga Health Women's Service Line	Re-launch service line and discussion. Collaboration with community partners	Quarterly

Homeless & Housing Task Force	Regular meeting	Monthly
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COVID-19

- Outreach and promotion of booster and youth vaccination clinics held at the Mall Site.
- In partnership with 211, HPP staff are delivering saliva test kits to individuals who are unable to get to a vaccination site. The County employee testing program specialists are now assisting with the home test delivery as well.
- Ongoing website updates related to COVID-19 developments (see Media, Website section below).
- Ongoing review, analysis, and updates of COVID-related data. Hospitalization data was presented to the Legislature and is now available on the [website](#).
- Weekly Communications Team meetings.

Community Health Assessment (CHA) & Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP)

- The CHIP Steering Committee meets monthly (first Thursday):
 - The intended purpose of the Steering Committee is to support the workgroups both individually and collectively through consultation, feedback, and community networking.
 - Developing a reporting and monitoring tool, with assistance from the Cornell MPH program.
- Cancer screening intervention monthly meeting.
- Social Determinants of Health (SdoH) intervention monthly meeting.
- School-based health
- Maternal and Child Health
- Finalizing 2021 Update of the CHIP for review by Administration, to be submitted by 12/31/2021. Thank you to the Steering Committee for input.

Healthy Neighborhoods Program

- Presentation to INHS staff
- Participated in Cornell's Bear Walk event
- The HNP program continues to receive calls requesting information about indoor air quality, radon, mold and mildew, bed bug infestations, etc.
- Staff continue to support County COVID-19 vaccination clinics and saliva kit delivery.
- Ongoing collaboration with Environmental Health Lead Program.

October 2021

HEALTHY NEIGHBORHOODS PROGRAM	MONTH	YTD 2021	October 2020	TOTAL 2020*
# of Initial Home Visits (including asthma visits)	8	84	7	225
# of Revisits	0	0	0	76
# of Asthma Homes (initial)	0	15	0	61
# of Homes Approached	0	446	5	436

*Covers the calendar year (January - December); the HNP grant year is April-March.

November 2021

HEALTHY NEIGHBORHOODS PROGRAM	MONTH	YTD 2021	Nov. 2020	TOTAL 2020*
# of Initial Home Visits (including asthma visits)	9	93	7	225
# of Revisits	0	0	0	76
# of Asthma Homes (initial)	1	16	2	61
# of Homes Approached	0	446	2	436

*Covers the calendar year (January - December); the HNP grant year is April-March.

Health Promotion

- Assisting with Maternal Child Health redesign project.
- HPP strategic planning: outlining the main goals of the program, compiling a list of all board and committee meetings we attend, delegating workflow.
- Website Migration: project management for migration of Health Department website to a new platform adopted county-wide. Staff from across the department are reviewing web pages and assisting with the transfer to the new site. Edits and re-organization will continue as we move onto the new platform.
 - Assisting with updates and organization of the Mental Health website.
- Community Health Worker initiative: continuing to develop and plan for this initiative and hiring of two CHWs in 2022. A planning committee will meet at the beginning of December.
- Support and feedback offered to Cornell University's COVID surveillance project.
- Presented to the Ithaca chapter of AAUW, Association of University Women, about women's health services and COVID updates.
- Health Care Career Expo for high school students: Shannon Alvord coordinated, Samantha attended as a guest panelist.

Tobacco Free Tompkins

- Presentation about advocating for a tobacco-free campus policy to the Ithaca College Student Governance Council's weekly meeting of its Senators. (11/1)
- Annual statewide meeting for the NYS Bureau of Tobacco Control took place on Zoom over four days.
- Graphic design work to support all 3 counties in the catchment area.
- Tobacco Free Zone for Cortland-Tompkins-Chenango grant staff call.

- Tompkins coordinator continued their assignment with the COVID communications team.
- Planning for hiring of a Health Educator in 2022 to serve half-time in Tobacco and half-time in HNP.

Media, Website, Social Media

- [COVID-19 website](#) pages updated regularly
 - Added a section with [guidance for holiday celebrations](#) to the Prevention page. During October the section was specific to Halloween.
 - Added [Age and Vaccination Status of COVID-19 Hospitalizations](#) to the Data page
- COVID-19 Press Releases in September
 - [COVID19 2021-11-23 Update Booster Doses Available for age 18 years plus](#)
 - [COVID-19 Youth Vaccination Rates and Clinic](#)
 - [COVID-19 Youth Vaccination Clinic 11-19-2021](#)
 - [COVID-19 Registration Links Youth Clinics](#)
 - [COVID19 2021-11-10 Update: Pfizer COVID-19 Vaccination Clinics for youth aged 5-11](#)
 - [COVID19 2021-11-04 Update Ages 5-11 Vaccination Clinics Are Full; Live Town Hall Nov 8 on YouTube](#)
 - [COVID19 2021-11-03 Update Pfizer Vaccinations of ages 5-11; Town Hall Nov 8](#)
 - [COVID19 2021-10-25 Update: Moderna and J&J Booster Doses](#)
 - [COVID-19 2021-10-21 Update: Hospitalization Demographic Data Released](#)
 - [COVID19 2021-10-21 Update: Preparing for Pfizer Vaccinations of youth aged 5-11; Moderna and J&J Booster Doses](#)
 - [COVID-19 Booster Clinics Pfizer](#)
 - [COVID-19 Booster Clinics Pfizer](#)
 - [COVID19 2021-10-05 Pfizer Booster Clinics](#)
- Other Health Department press releases
 - [Lead Poisoning Prevention Week: October 24 to October 30, 2021 2021-10-27](#)
 - [AG James HealNY Tour Visits Tompkins to Combat Opioids 2021-10-20](#)
- Ongoing work with Mental Health to update/ upgrade the [TCMH website](#).
- Ongoing work to transition TCHD site to new county format (Drupal 8).

PH-MH Strategic Planning with Batiste Leadership

- Cross-Functional Integration Team continues to meet bi-weekly: developed and launched an RFP to request branding development services.

- Services Team will re-start their meetings in December with support from Shannon Alvord and a new member joined from Mental Health, Miranda Lacombe.

Emerging Leaders in Public Health (ELPH) Cohort III – Kresge Foundation/Batiste Leadership

- ELPH Network – Current Topic Sessions bi-monthly: meet virtually with other ELPH participants, discussion and sharing ideas
- Final Report due to The Kresge Foundation 12/31/21

Training/Professional Development

- JEDI: General Meeting, ongoing work on the JEDI Recruitment Project
 - Town Hall to celebrate one-year anniversary
 - Presentation to the Legislature
- LGTBQ+ training, OCFS
- Attended virtual sessions of the APHA annual conference.
- Misinformation lecture: Claire Wardle of [First Draft](#), Cornell University MPH Communications course
- Support and Care for Transgender and Non-binary staff and clients
- Mental Health Conference with Mental Health Department and Family & Children's Services.
- PCANY Domestic Violence Training for Home Visitors

Medical Director's Report
Board of Health
November 2021

Two disturbing issues have arisen at the time of this writing

Influenza

Early surveillance results are showing the H3N2 influenza type is prominent. If this persists it is a concern since this type is associated with increased severity, hospitalizations, and deaths. Cases statewide are at an increased level compared to pre-pandemic levels for this time of the year.

From the CDC – “Recent increases in influenza activity in many places in the United States could mark the beginning of the 2021-2022 influenza season in the United States. While influenza activity is still low overall nationally, an increase of influenza A(H3N2) viruses has been detected in recent weeks, with most of these infections occurring in young adults. CDC also is aware of influenza outbreaks in colleges and universities in several states. Influenza vaccination coverage is still low and there is still time this season to benefit from getting an annual influenza vaccine.

Increased influenza A(H3N2) activity ... could mark the beginning of the 2021-2022 influenza season. The purpose of this HAN Health Advisory is to

1. Remind public health practitioners and clinicians to recommend and offer the current seasonal influenza vaccine to all eligible persons aged six months and older (Flu vaccine and COVID-19 vaccine can be given at the same visit).
2. Remind clinicians to consider testing for both influenza virus and SARS-CoV-2 in patients with influenza-like illness (ILI).
3. Advise clinicians that antiviral treatment is recommended as early as possible for any patient with confirmed or suspected influenza who is: a) hospitalized; b) at higher risk for influenza complications; or c) developing progressive illness. In patients with suspected influenza, decisions about starting antiviral treatment should not wait for laboratory confirmation of influenza, however COVID-19 should be excluded if a rapid assay is available.
4. Remind public health practitioners and clinicians to consider mitigation measures including antiviral post-exposure prophylaxis during influenza outbreaks in institutions (e.g., long-term care facilities, university dormitories) in the setting of co-circulation of SARS-CoV-2.
5. Remind the public to use non-pharmaceutical interventions (NPI) or everyday preventive actions, in addition to getting a flu vaccine. Everyday preventive actions include staying home when sick, covering coughs and sneezes, and washing hands often. “

The second concerning development is the **detection of the new Covid variant**. The World Health Organization [announced Friday](#) it has designated the newly identified coronavirus variant, B.1.1.529, as a variant of concern, named Omicron. A variant of “concern” indicates that features of this virus make it possible that it could be more threatening. This is a higher designation than a variant of “interest”. As of this writing many details remain to be clarified. Chief among them is its reproduction number, severity of illness, and susceptibility to the current vaccines’ immune protection. Perhaps some further information will be available by the time we meet in person.

“... with the new variant, “it has so many changes across spike that nearly all the antigenic sites we know about are changed on this virus,” said Wendy Barclay, who leads a U.K. group studying new variants of the SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus. That suggests, Barclay said, that the ability of antibodies “will be compromised in their ability to neutralize the virus” — though she cautioned that scientists need to study that question to confirm it.”

<https://www.statnews.com/2021/11/26/whats-known-and-unknown-about-the-coronavirus-variant-identified-in-south-africa/>

One reminder: There have been a series of variants that have caused initial alarm, only to prove largely unimportant in the course of the pandemic. We can hope that this is true for this variant.

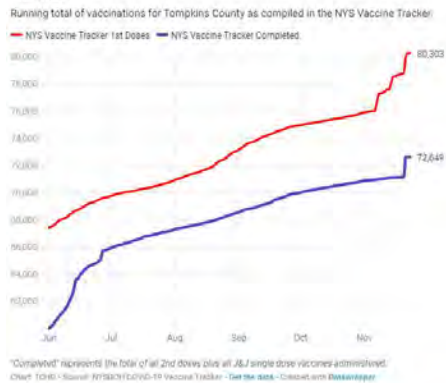
However, the number of people unvaccinated globally holds the door open for variants to arise. To shut that door vaccine production and acceptance must rise.

As I write this the Governor of NY has just redeclared a state of emergency in light of increasing numbers of Covid cases and hospitalizations. This gives her and the NYSDOH more tools to manage hospital capacity and her the ability to nullify state and local laws and regulations if they impede the emergency response and to redirect state monies in order to secure sufficient staffing and supplies. I have written her to urge her to avoid the micromanaging mistakes of Governor Cuomo.

Covid Vaccinations

The recent uptick in vaccinations seen below can mostly be ascribed to vaccination of 5-11-year-olds and boosters for 18 and over. (total vaccinations for 5-11s are in the ballpark of 2,500 plus)

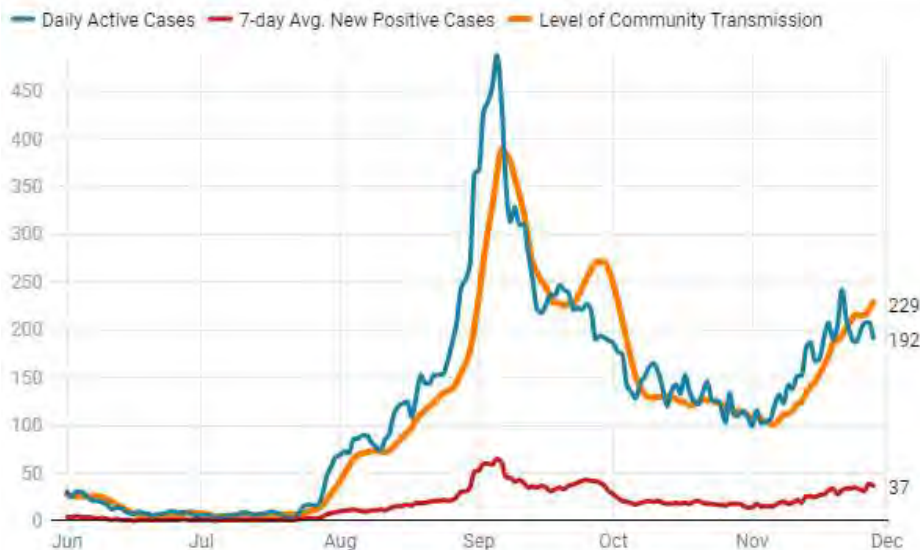
Total COVID-19 Vaccinations Since June 1, 2021, Tompkins County



We continue to see a disturbing rise in cases – with hospitalizations mostly in the range of 6-9 rather than 2-4 as at the end of October.

Daily Active Cases + Level of Community Transmission + 7-Day Avg. New Cases

COVID-19, Tompkins County, N.Y. Data from 6/1/21 to the present. Find Daily Active Cases and Level of Community Transmission definitions below the graph.



DAILY ACTIVE CASES: the total number of positive cases minus the total released cases and deaths. **LEVEL OF COMMUNITY TRANSMISSION:** defined by the CDC as the "total number of new cases per 100,000 persons within the last 7 days." Low= ≤ 10 , Moderate=10-49, Substantial=50-99, High= ≥ 100 . County pop. 105,740 (2020 Census).
 Chart: Tompkins County Health Department, Ithaca, N.Y. - Source: TCHD - Get the data - Created with Datawrapper

Most common transmission correlate is household spread. The major message is for the public to use precautions appropriately to prevent that first case coming into a household. Once in a household it is very hard to prevent secondary cases. People live closely together, are of varying ages and varying risk status.

We are making progress toward two goals:

Maximizing the vaccination of everyone willing to be vaccinated – *the key to progress*

And having medication that can limit the spread of the disease and reduce its severity in a form easier to use than injection therapy – pills will be a major step forward. – *the aide to preventing hospitalization (severity).*

News regarding Merck and Pfizer oral treatments -

Nov 16, 2021

Selections from the Washington Post article

“The Biden administration is planning to purchase 10 million courses of Pfizer’s covid pill, a \$5 billion investment in a treatment that officials think will help change the trajectory of the [coronavirus](#) pandemic by reducing severe illness and deaths, according to two people with knowledge of the transaction.

As the administration and Pfizer on Tuesday hammered out the final details, the company asked federal regulators to authorize the five-day antiviral pill regimen called Paxlovid. The medication is the second easy-to-take treatment aimed at keeping newly infected people out of the hospital to go before the Food and Drug Administration. The other is by Merck and [Ridgeback Biotherapeutics](#).

“In another important development, Pfizer has agreed to a license-sharing deal that would allow the pill to be manufactured around the globe and sold at lower prices in poor countries. It’s an agreement the company says could give more than half of the world’s population access to the treatment, even as Pfizer rebuffs calls to [grant poorer countries access](#) to its coronavirus vaccine formula.

“Merck and Ridgeback [also have agreed](#) to share the license for [their covid-19 antiviral pill, molnupiravir](#).

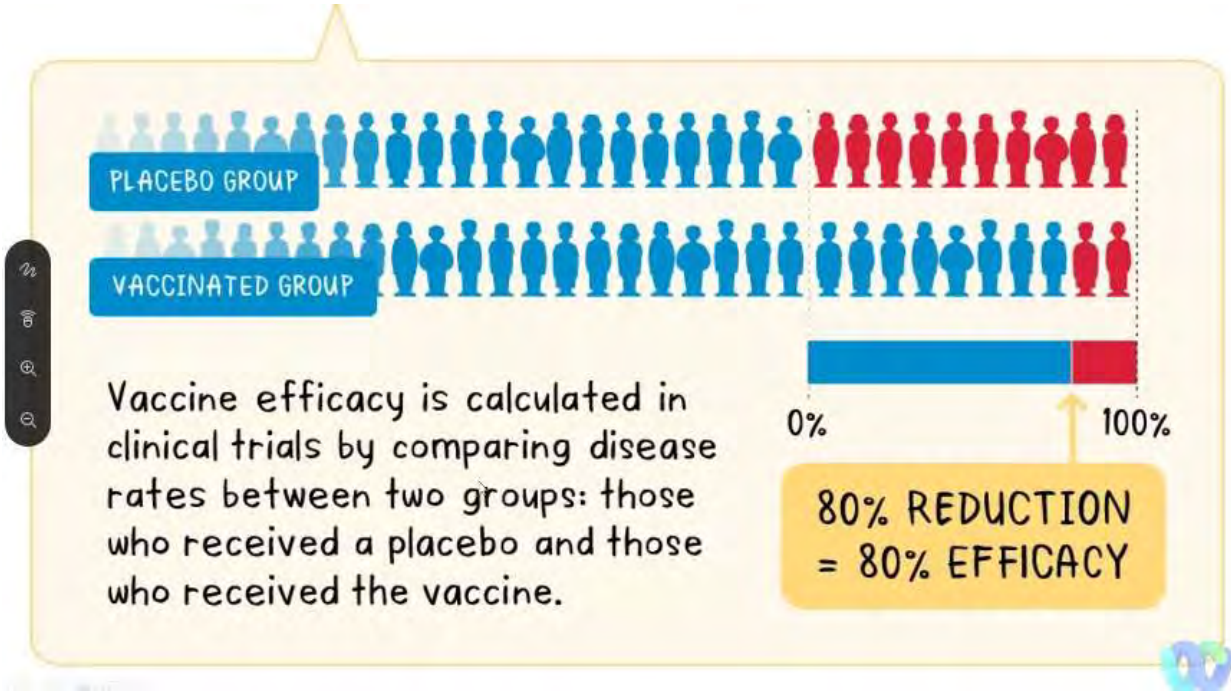
“The price for the Pfizer drug will be less than for the Merck pill — closer to \$500 per treatment, said a federal official familiar with the negotiations, who spoke on the condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to discuss the issue

“Pfizer is already making the therapy, which, if cleared by the FDA, could be available right away in limited quantities. Pfizer has said it may have enough treatments to cover between 100,000 to 200,000 people by the end of the year and millions more in the first half of next year.”

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/health/2021/11/16/administration-purchases-pfizer-anti-covid-pill/>

Age adjusted vaccine effectiveness is remaining at 95%. Which means that compared to someone unvaccinated you have 95% less chance of being infected. It does not mean that out of 100 vaccinated people that 5 will become infected. Let’s look at that -

On Covid Vaccine effectiveness and efficacy – let’s get into the weeds a little – efficacy and effectiveness are two distinct terms. Efficacy refers to the results in clinical trials which are not the real world. Effectiveness refers to real world experience.



If a vaccine has an efficacy of 80 percent:



It does not mean that the vaccine will only work 80% of the time.

It does mean that in a vaccinated population, 80% fewer people will contract the disease when they come in contact with the virus.



<https://www.who.int/news-room/feature-stories/detail/vaccine-efficacy-effectiveness-and-protection>

Further on NYS Breakthrough Infections

Here is data on NYS rates of infection and hospitalization

<https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/covid-19-breakthrough-data>

Cumulative Findings

As of data received through November 15, 2021, the New York State Department of Health is aware of:

- **151,316** laboratory-confirmed breakthrough cases of COVID-19 among fully-vaccinated people in New York State, which corresponds to **1.2%** of the population of fully-vaccinated people 12-years or older.
- **9,636** hospitalizations with COVID-19 among fully-vaccinated people in New York State, which corresponds to **0.08%** of the population of fully-vaccinated people 12-years or older.

These results indicate that laboratory-confirmed SARS-CoV-2 infections and hospitalizations with COVID-19 have been uncommon events among the population of people who are fully-vaccinated ([≥14 days after completing their vaccine series](#)).

To understand the above statistics, it is important to consider that they reflect not only the effectiveness of vaccines, but also changes over time in the intensity of the epidemic, circulating variant strains (such as Delta), and protective behaviors (e.g, masking and social distancing) against COVID-19, as well as the growing number of people fully-vaccinated in New York State.

To measure the real-world effectiveness of vaccines in reducing cases and hospitalizations, compared to unvaccinated people, additional information and analyses are necessary.

One approach is to compare the rates of cases and hospitalizations among vaccinated people to the rates of these outcomes in unvaccinated people, over time.

The next section shows these comparisons among adult residents of NYS, building on [previously published](#) methods.

Hospitalization is also a surrogate for severe disease in general.

These rates of cases and hospitalizations over time and estimated vaccine effectiveness cover through the week of October 25, 2021 (ending October 31, 2021), to allow enough time for the data needed for valid comparisons to become available in data systems.

Figure 1: New cases with laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 among fully vaccinated and unvaccinated adults, and estimated vaccine effectiveness, age 18 years or older

New daily cases over time by vaccination status

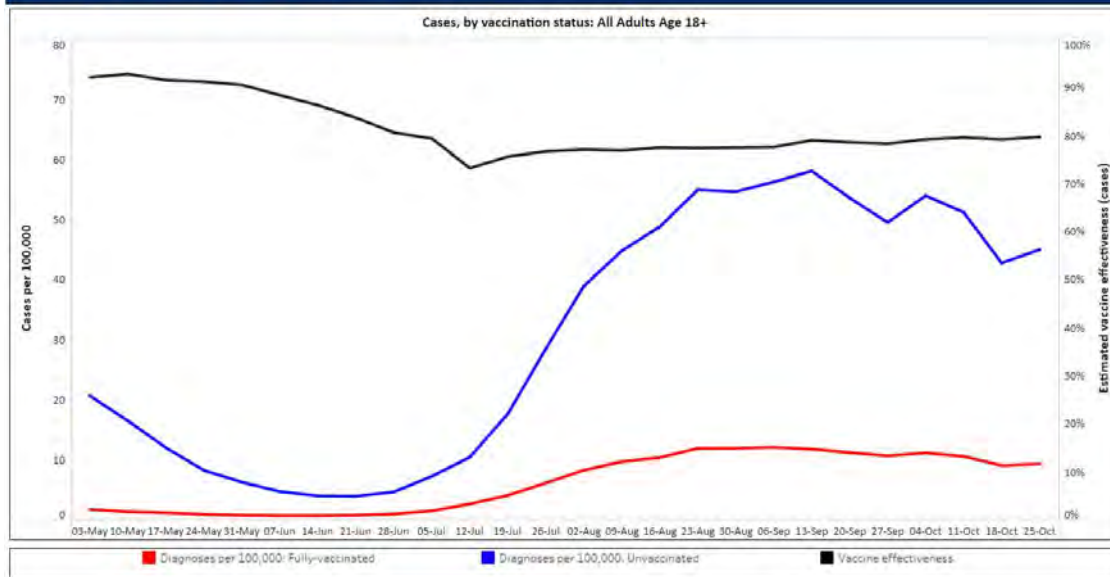


Figure 2: New hospitalizations with laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 among fully vaccinated and unvaccinated adults, and estimated vaccine effectiveness, age 18 years or older.

Daily hospital admissions over time by vaccination status

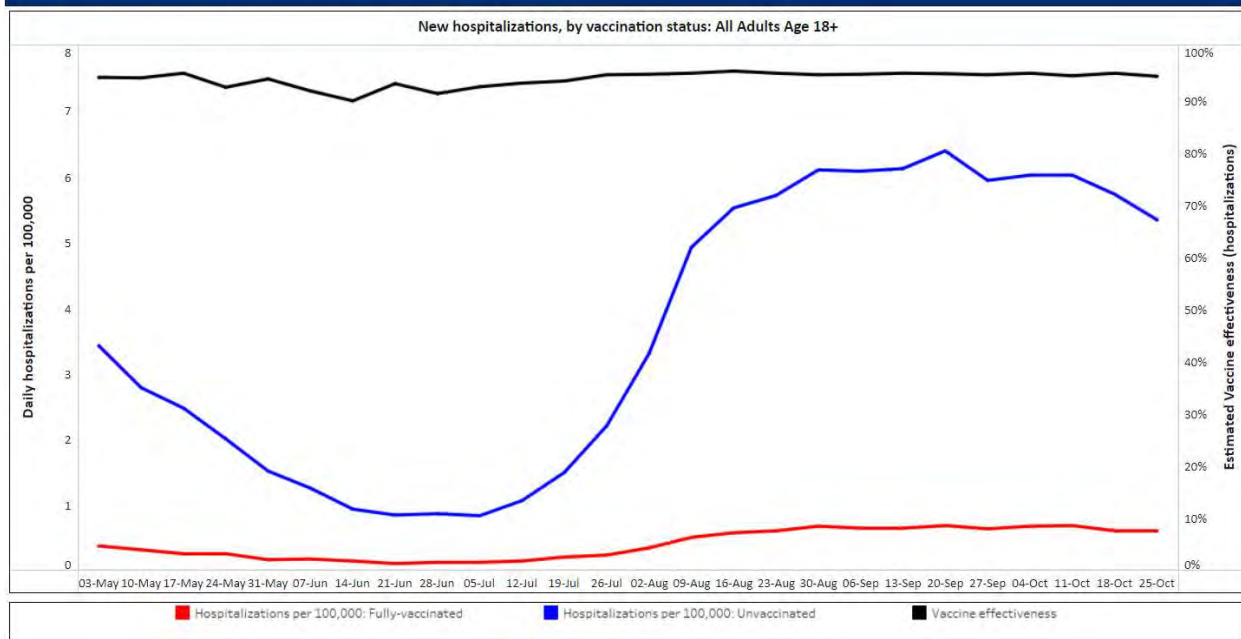


Table 2: Estimated vaccine effectiveness for reducing cases and hospitalizations with laboratory-confirmed COVID-19, by age group.

Week Starting	Cases			Hospitalizations		
	18-49 Years	50-64 Years	65 Years and Older	18-49 Years	50-64 Years	65 Years and Older
03May2021	91.6%	92.7%	91.3%	94.1%	94.5%	94.6%
10May2021	91.9%	92.0%	94.7%	94.3%	94.1%	93.9%
17May2021	91.7%	90.3%	91.1%	96.8%	92.3%	94.5%
24May2021	91.6%	89.8%	90.5%	92.3%	92.3%	92.9%
31May2021	89.6%	92.1%	89.4%	93.9%	94.0%	94.1%
07Jun2021	88.2%	86.9%	89.1%	91.2%	93.0%	91.7%
14Jun2021	85.7%	86.4%	86.2%	88.9%	90.4%	91.3%
21Jun2021	81.0%	85.1%	87.5%	93.5%	92.5%	92.6%
28Jun2021	78.6%	80.1%	85.0%	91.0%	92.4%	90.0%
05Jul2021	75.6%	80.6%	86.0%	94.2%	91.3%	89.7%
12Jul2021	70.3%	72.5%	80.2%	94.0%	96.4%	87.1%
19Jul2021	71.5%	77.7%	82.4%	96.8%	89.2%	90.7%
26Jul2021	73.7%	77.9%	81.6%	96.1%	94.8%	91.5%
02Aug2021	76.0%	75.6%	80.3%	96.4%	95.0%	90.6%
09Aug2021	75.8%	77.0%	78.2%	96.9%	94.3%	91.3%
16Aug2021	76.8%	77.4%	78.1%	97.3%	95.3%	90.8%
23Aug2021	75.6%	77.2%	80.9%	96.6%	95.4%	91.0%
30Aug2021	75.9%	77.7%	79.9%	96.8%	93.8%	91.0%
06Sep2021	75.9%	77.6%	80.5%	96.4%	94.6%	91.5%
13Sep2021	78.1%	78.2%	80.9%	96.9%	94.3%	91.5%
20Sep2021	78.1%	77.5%	79.5%	96.8%	94.6%	90.8%
27Sep2021	77.5%	77.8%	79.4%	96.0%	95.0%	91.3%
04Oct2021	79.0%	77.9%	79.8%	97.1%	94.6%	90.7%
11Oct2021	78.9%	78.0%	82.2%	96.7%	92.7%	91.4%
18Oct2021	78.1%	77.3%	82.8%	96.6%	94.6%	91.9%
25Oct2021	78.6%	78.2%	83.2%	95.7%	94.3%	91.7%

- The vaccine effectiveness measure, as estimated in this analysis, is a summary comparison among (or of, but not both) those who are fully-vaccinated. This comparison includes all COVID-19 vaccine doses given to New Yorkers and may reflect other behavioral, medical, and exposure differences between fully-vaccinated and unvaccinated people.
- In this analysis, fully-vaccinated is defined as an individual who:
 - Has received one of the three vaccines currently authorized by the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA): Pfizer-BioNTech, Moderna, and Janssen/Johnson & Johnson.
 - Is 14 days or more past the final dose of their original 2-dose (Pfizer-BioNTech, Moderna) or 1-dose (Janssen/Johnson & Johnson) series.
- Fully-vaccinated people may have received additional or booster doses, which are not specifically accounted for in this analysis.
- For the purposes of this analysis, cases are defined at the person-level (1 case per person) and hospital admissions are defined at the event-level (multiple admissions with COVID-19 possible per person).

KEY TAKEAWAYS

- Taken together these results demonstrate that vaccines continue to be highly-effective at protecting New York residents from infection and hospitalization with COVID-19. Put simply, these outcomes are occurring among vaccinated people, but at levels far lower than among unvaccinated people, because vaccines work.
 - The ongoing >89% effectiveness against hospitalization is consistent with the results of the original vaccine clinical trials' results, which showed protection from severe COVID-19 disease at these levels.
 - Effectiveness against laboratory-confirmed infections is high, but lower than against COVID-19 hospitalization.
 - The reasons for changes in this effectiveness estimate are unclear and may be due to declines in immunity from the vaccines, the marked increase in the levels of the Delta variant during this time period (to >99% of specimens in the federal region containing New York State), and/or changes in protective behaviors over time. This is an area of active study by scientists in New York and around the world.
- **Role for Additional Protective Measures:** Because vaccines do not offer 100% protection, additional protective measures, such as mask wearing, and social distancing will provide additional protection. [Please read the CDC's interim public health recommendations for fully vaccinated people.](#)

Although the trajectory of recent data is not encouraging let us hope for favorable data on omicron and work to convey to the public that public health is for public benefit.

Division for Community Health

December 7th, 2021 Board of Health meeting

October 2021 monthly report

By Rachel Buckwalter and Celeste Rakovich, Senior Community Health Nurses and Michelle Hall, WIC Director

Communicable Disease:

- **COVID-19:** We continued to see high numbers of Covid cases in the month of October, though October numbers were less than September. Our daily high for the month was 34 cases reported on October 15th. Cases are spread throughout the community—we are not seeing concentrations of cases in higher ed settings like we did in September. Disease severity and hospitalizations continue to be low. Hospitalizations are holding steady. Typically we report less than 10 Covid positive patients in the hospital on a given day. There were no Covid deaths reported in Tompkins County in the month of October. We reported a total of 561 Covid cases in the month of October with 1,465 contacts generated. We responded to over 260 phone calls from the public regarding Covid.

Maternal Child Program:

- MOMS plus+ is taking new clients and doing home visits per CHS guidance for home visits during the Covid pandemic. The program is admitting prenatal, postpartum and families with young children. There are two full time Maternal Child Health Nurses with three others training.

SafeCare Program:

- SafeCare is currently on hold. Collaboration is ongoing between DSS and TCHD regarding when to resume this program.

Immunization Clinics:

- CHS staff worked two mobile second dose Covid -19 vaccine clinics in the month of October—one in Groton and one at the Lansing Town Hall. Pfizer booster clinics organized by CHS were offered at the mall site throughout October. A total of 965 people received a Covid booster vaccine at our booster clinics in October. Karen LaCelle has been running these booster clinics as charge nurse and providing oversight to contracted state vaccinators. Karen continues to stay busy in retirement working three days a week per diem for us, as our chief immunizer! We are so grateful for her excellent skills in this area.
- CHS provided three flu clinics in October—one at Bridges Cornell Heights (43 people vaccinated), one at Lifelong (19 people vaccinated) and one at McGraw House (48 people vaccinated). We offered regular and high dose flu vaccine at these clinics. Covid vaccination remains the priority so we are not offering any more flu clinics at this time.
- CHS is planning to coordinate with local pediatric offices to run large Covid pediatric vaccine clinics at the mall in November once FDA and CDC approve vaccine for the 5-11 year old age group.
- Our regular weekly on-site immunization clinic is not open due to Covid response. We continue to refer children and adults in need of immunization to area providers.

Lead Poisoning Prevention

- There was one new admission to LPPN. CHS continues to follow up on elevated BLL per NYS requirements and continues to partner with EH for investigations as needed.

Tuberculosis

- No active TB cases currently.

HIV

- No Anonymous HIV testing performed this month. TCHD continues to offer free testing to the public. Plans to return to the TC Jail to perform testing beginning Jan of 2022.

Rabies

- CHS is working with EH to create a combined policy & procedure for all Rabies post exposure prophylaxis. CHS continues to review all records of rabies treatment given at CMC for authorized clients.

WIC program

Caseload Data:

September close out caseload data:

Enrollment: 1117

Participation: 1055

Participation/Enrollment %: 94.45

Participation/Caseload %: 70.33

Total participants seen in September: 508

Appointment show rate: 93%

Preliminary October (final number will be available by November 30th)

Enrollment: 1128

Participation: 1044

Participation/Enrollment %: 92.64

Participation/Caseload %: 69.73

Total participants seen in October: 456

Appointment show rate: 95%

Program Highlights

1. Program has a vacancy, the WIC clerk position. WIC program is unable to fill the position due to flat funding for the WIC grant for 2 second year and the undecided White-Collar contract which will impact salary and fringe. WIC clerk position will likely remain vacant until the end of 2021. WIC Director will cover the vacant WIC clerk position and cross train WIC staff.
2. Since July 2021, the WIC Director has been participating on one of the strategic planning cross functional teams- "Integration".

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	Freq	Rate	Freq	Rate	Freq	Rate	Freq	Rate	Freq	Rate
ANAPLASMOSIS**	17	198.5	2	23.3	0	0.0	1	11.7	1	11.7
BABESIOSIS**	9	105.1	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
CAMPYLOBACTERIOSIS**	3	35.0	1	11.7	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
CHIKUNGUNYA**	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	11.7	0	0.0	0	0.0
COVID-19	571	6665.8	241	2813.4	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
CRYPTOSPORIDIOSIS**	4	46.7	0	0.0	1	11.7	2	23.3	1	11.7
ECOLI SHIGA TOXIN**	1	11.7	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	11.7	0	0.0
ENCEPHALITIS, OTHER	1	11.7	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
GIARDIASIS	2	23.3	2	23.3	2	23.3	1	11.7	2	23.3
HEPATITIS A	0	0.0	1	11.7	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
HEPATITIS B,CHRONIC**	5	58.4	0	0.0	1	11.7	1	11.7	1	11.7
HEPATITIS C,ACUTE**	0	0.0	1	11.7	0	0.0	1	11.7	1	11.7
HEPATITIS C,CHRONIC**	1	11.7	3	35.0	4	46.7	7	81.7	5	58.4
INFLUENZA A, LAB CONFIRMED	2	23.3	0	0.0	1	11.7	1	11.7	1	11.7
INFLUENZA B, LAB CONFIRMED	0	0.0	2	23.3	1	11.7	1	11.7	1	11.7
LYME DISEASE** ****	5	58.4	3	35.0	5	58.4	2	23.3	3	35.0
MENINGITIS, ASEPTIC	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	11.7	0	0.0
SALMONELLOSIS**	1	11.7	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	35.0	1	11.7
SHIGELLOSIS**	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	11.7	0	0.0
STREP,GROUP A INVASIVE	1	11.7	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0

	2021		2020		2019		2018		Ave (2018-2020)	
Disease	Freq	Rate	Freq	Rate	Freq	Rate	Freq	Rate	Freq	Rate
STREP, GROUP B INVASIVE	2	23.3	0	0.0	1	11.7	0	0.0	0	0.0
STREP PNEUMONIAE, INVASIVE**	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	23.3	1	11.7
TUBERCULOSIS***	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	23.3	1	11.7	1	11.7
SYPHILIS TOTAL.....	5	58.4	1	11.7	2	23.3	1	11.7	1	11.7
- P&S SYPHILIS	4	46.7	0	0.0	1	11.7	0	0.0	0	0.0
- EARLY LATENT	1	11.7	1	11.7	0	0.0	1	11.7	1	11.7
- LATE LATENT	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	11.7	0	0.0	0	0.0
GONORRHEA TOTAL.....	15	175.1	10	116.7	21	245.2	7	81.7	13	151.8
- GONORRHEA	15	175.1	10	116.7	21	245.2	7	81.7	13	151.8
CHLAMYDIA	32	373.6	38	443.6	65	758.8	33	385.2	45	525.3

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ANAPLASMOSIS**	101	117.9	23	26.9	8	9.3	6	7.0	12	14.0
BABESIOSIS**	19	22.2	7	8.2	3	3.5	1	1.2	4	4.7
CAMPYLOBACTERIOSIS**	14	16.3	15	17.5	24	28.0	23	26.9	21	24.5
CHIKUNGUNYA**	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	1.2	0	0.0	0	0.0
COVID-19	4507	5261.4	1058	1235.1	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
CRYPTOSPORIDIOSIS**	11	12.8	13	15.2	11	12.8	13	15.2	12	14.0
ECOLI SHIGA TOXIN**	5	5.8	5	5.8	2	2.3	4	4.7	4	4.7
EHRlichiosis (CHAFEENSIS)**	1	1.2	0	0.0	1	1.2	0	0.0	0	0.0
EHRlichiosis (UNDETERMINED)**	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	1.2	0	0.0	0	0.0
ENCEPHALITIS, OTHER	1	1.2	1	1.2	1	1.2	2	2.3	1	1.2
ENCEPHALITIS, POST	0	0.0	1	1.2	0	0.0	1	1.2	1	1.2
GIARDIASIS	9	10.5	6	7.0	23	26.9	23	26.9	17	19.8
HAEMOPHILUS INFLUENZAE, NOT TYPE B	0	0.0	1	1.2	3	3.5	3	3.5	2	2.3
HEPATITIS A	7	8.2	7	8.2	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	2.3
HEPATITIS B,CHRONIC**	10	11.7	7	8.2	5	5.8	10	11.7	7	8.2
HEPATITIS C,ACUTE**	1	1.2	4	4.7	4	4.7	4	4.7	4	4.7
HEPATITIS C,CHRONIC**	17	19.8	30	35.0	35	40.9	58	67.7	41	47.9
INFLUENZA A, LAB CONFIRMED	2	2.3	525	612.9	745	869.7	464	541.7	578	674.8
INFLUENZA B, LAB CONFIRMED	2	2.3	738	861.5	29	33.9	561	654.9	443	517.2

Disease	2021		2020		2019		2018		Ave (2018-2020)	
	Freq	Rate	Freq	Rate	Freq	Rate	Freq	Rate	Freq	Rate
INFLUENZA UNSPECIFIED, LAB CONFIRMED	1	1.2	0	0.0	1	1.2	0	0.0	0	0.0
LEGIONELLOSIS	2	2.3	0	0.0	3	3.5	1	1.2	1	1.2
LISTERIOSIS	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	1.2	0	0.0
LYME DISEASE** ****	43	50.2	36	42.0	50	58.4	47	54.9	44	51.4
MALARIA	0	0.0	2	2.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	1.2
MENINGITIS, ASEPTIC	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	1.2	2	2.3	1	1.2
MUMPS**	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	2.3	1	1.2
PERTUSSIS**	0	0.0	1	1.2	6	7.0	12	14.0	6	7.0
SALMONELLOSIS**	10	11.7	6	7.0	7	8.2	21	24.5	11	12.8
S.PARATYPHI	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	1.2	0	0.0
SHIGELLOSIS**	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	2.3	1	1.2
STREP,GROUP A INVASIVE	2	2.3	2	2.3	3	3.5	4	4.7	3	3.5
STREP,GROUP B INVASIVE	3	3.5	2	2.3	7	8.2	5	5.8	5	5.8
STREP,GROUP B INV,EARLY/LATE ONSET	0	0.0	1	1.2	0	0.0	1	1.2	1	1.2
STREP PNEUMONIAE,INVASIVE**	2	2.3	5	5.8	3	3.5	6	7.0	5	5.8
TUBERCULOSIS***	0	0.0	2	2.3	3	3.5	4	4.7	3	3.5
TYPHOID FEVER	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	1.2	0	0.0
VIBRIO - NON 01 CHOLERA**	1	1.2	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
YERSINIOSIS**	1	1.2	0	0.0	2	2.3	1	1.2	1	1.2
SYPHILIS TOTAL.....	18	21.0	16	18.7	18	21.0	11	12.8	15	17.5
- P&S SYPHILIS	6	7.0	7	8.2	7	8.2	4	4.7	6	7.0
- EARLY LATENT	9	10.5	8	9.3	7	8.2	4	4.7	6	7.0
- LATE LATENT	3	3.5	1	1.2	4	4.7	3	3.5	3	3.5
GONORRHEA TOTAL.....	114	133.1	76	88.7	92	107.4	91	106.2	86	100.4
- GONORRHEA	114	133.1	75	87.6	92	107.4	90	105.1	86	100.4

	2021		2020		2019		2018		Ave (2018-2020)	
Disease	Freq	Rate	Freq	Rate	Freq	Rate	Freq	Rate	Freq	Rate
- GONORRHEA,DISSEMINATED	0	0.0	1	1.2	0	0.0	1	1.2	1	1.2
CHLAMYDIA	264	308.2	305	356.1	418	488.0	369	430.8	364	424.9
CHLAMYDIA PID	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	1.2	0	0.0
OTHER VD	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	1.2	0	0.0	0	0.0

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Children with Special Care Needs Division — (607) 274-6644

Children with Special Care Needs Highlights
October 2021

Staff Activities

General overview of COVID/Program Work

- All CSCN nursing staff attend a weekly meeting for COVID updates and CI training meetings until October 18- CSCN nurses no longer need to attend unless they want an update.

Staff Training

- Margo Polikoff attended 'Intro to DECA Program-Devereux Assessment Tool', CYSHCN RSC Focus Group, 'EC Face-El to CPSE Transition for Professionals', and 'CTAC- Collective Trauma' Training.
- Stephanie Samsung-Magill participated in a webinar 'We've All Been Affected: A Conversation About Collective Trauma', 'Learning to Listen', 'Parent to Parent, Raising Grandchildren with Special Needs'
- Keri May attended 'Supporting Parents of Children with Mental Health Concerns'

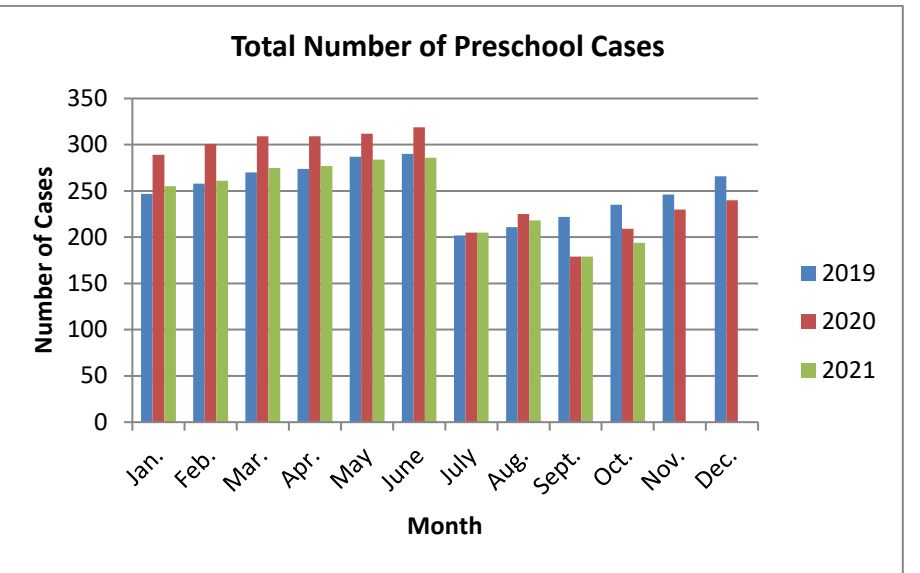
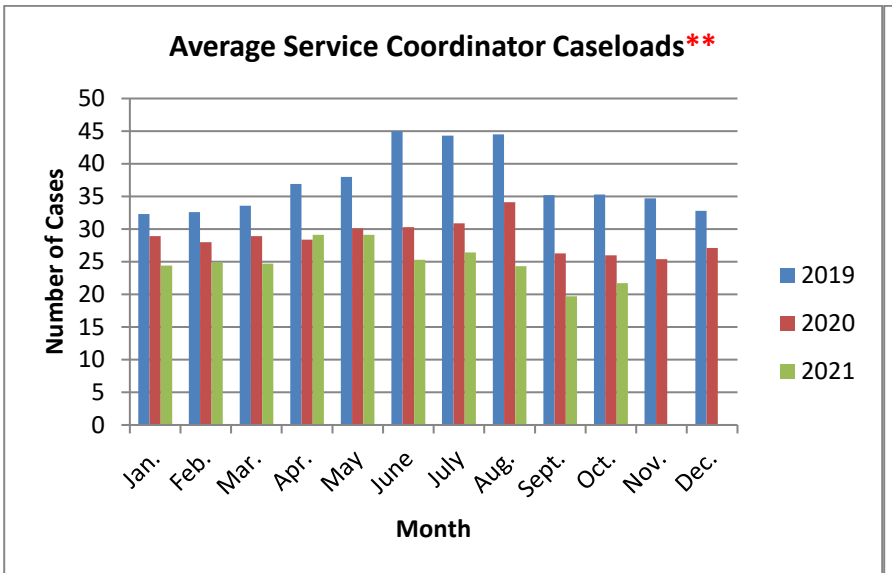
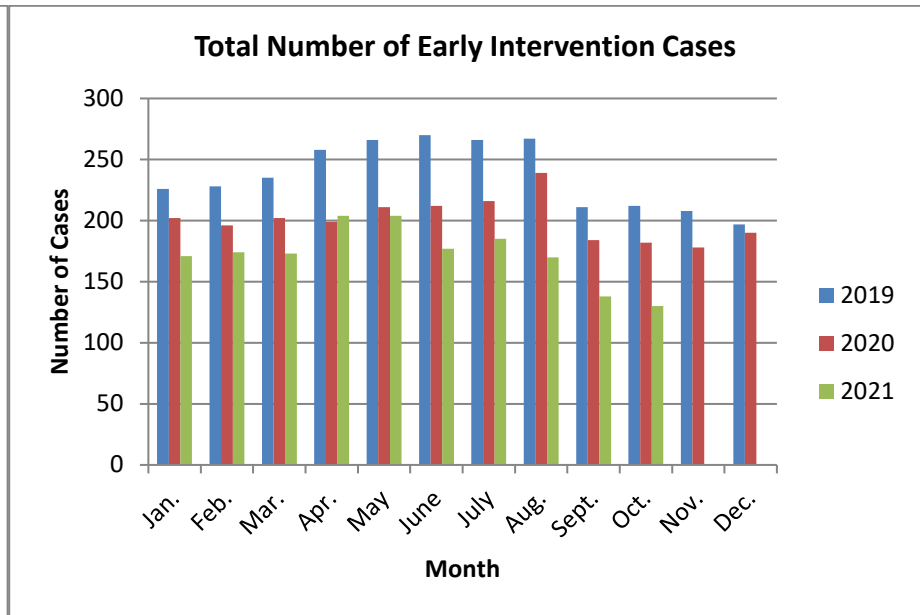
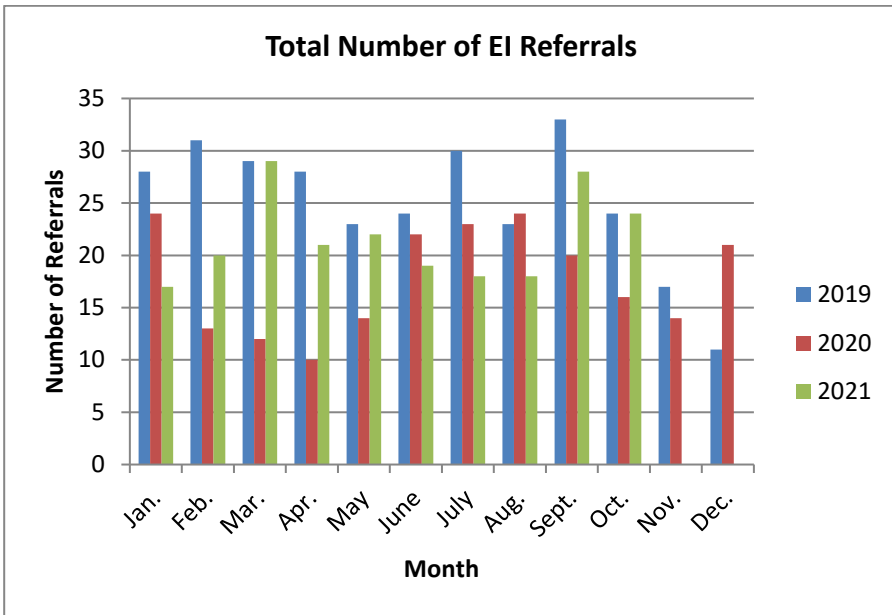
Committees/Meetings

- Michele Card and Kayla Baker attended Monday Software Meetings with iCentral software and ITS staff

Division Manager—Deb Thomas:

- Senior Leadership Meetings-Debrief meetings every Thursday to review current COVID 19 work and Program work.
- COVID work as needed; Manager on every 4th weekend
- Meeting with CHS Director and CHS managers for COVID planning once a week
- Software meetings to develop reports and forms: 10/1, 10/4, 10/18, 10/25, 10/29
- Board of Health meeting 10/26
- Covid managers meeting once a week 10/4, 10/18, 10/25
- Case Investigators weekly teaching session 10/1, 10/15
- Covid NYSDOH county call with Bryon Backeson- Epidemiologist- Covid 10/6, 10/13
- NYSACHO Standing Committee meeting EI/Preschool 10/6
- CSCN program update with PHD Director 10/20
- Data Visualization Webinars (Graphs, Excel, Dashboards) 10/7, 10/14, 10/21, 10/28
- Emotional Intelligence Birth to Age 8 webinar 10/27

Statistics Based on Calendar Year



****Average Service Coordinator Caseloads showing decrease due to increase in fully oriented Ongoing Service Coordinators, until June 2019 when we experienced staff retirement and leave.**

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EARLY INTERVENTION PROGRAM

Number of Program Referrals	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	2021 Totals	2020 Totals
Initial Concern/reason for referral:														
-- DSS Founded Case	1				1		1	1		1			5	8
-- Gestational Age					1			2					3	0
-- Gestational Age/Gross Motor													0	0
-- Global Delays													0	1
-- Hearing													0	0
-- Physical														
-- Feeding	1	2		2	1		2	1		2			11	11
-- Feeding & Gross Motor													0	0
-- Feeding & Social Emotional													0	0
-- Gross Motor	3	4	2	3	3	3	3	2	8	3			34	34
-- Gross Motor & Fine Motor													0	0
-- Gross Motor, Fine Motor & Sensory				1									1	0
-- Fine Motor													0	0
-- Social Emotional		1			1	3			1	2			8	5
-- Social Emotional & Adaptive													0	1
-- Speech	10	9	24	13	14	11	10	12	14	12			129	118
-- Speech & Cognitive													0	1
-- Speech & Feeding													0	1
-- Speech & Fine Motor													0	0
-- Speech & Gross Motor		1	3	1		1	1		2	2			11	15
-- Speech & Hearing		1											1	0
-- Speech & Sensory													0	0
-- Speech & Social Emotional									1	1			2	4
-- Speech, Feeding & Gross Motor													0	2
-- Adaptive													0	0
-- Adaptive/Sensory				1		1			1				3	1
-- Adaptive/Fine Motor													0	0
-- Qualifying Congenital / Medical Diagnosis	2	1					1		1				5	9
-- Other -- Birth Trauma													0	1
-- Maternal Drug Use		1			1	1				1			4	1
Total Number of Early Intervention Referrals	17	20	29	21	22	19	18	18	28	24	0	0	216	213

Caseloads														
Total # of clients work with post Evaluation	162	159	166	178	180	164	166	163	143	124				
Total # of clients pending intake/qualification	9	15	7	26	24	13	19	7	5	6				
Total # of clients worked with during this month	171	174	173	204	204	177	185	170	138	130				
Average # of Cases per Service Coordinator	24.4	24.9	24.7	29.1	29.1	25.3	26.4	24.3	19.7	21.7	0.0	0.0		

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Family/Client visits	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	2021 Totals	2020 Totals
-- Intake visits	15	17	30	23	19	23	19	18	22	21			207	200
-- IFSP Meetings	24	32	47	24	31	32	18	12	23	22			265	327
-- Amendments	13	23	12	16	11	12	8	14	13	21			143	111
-- Core Evaluations	16	16	23	21	23	20	16	7	18	22			182	171
-- Supplemental Evaluations	5	9	4	4	2	6	1	5	3	3			42	32
-- EIOD visits	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0			6	19
-- Observation Visits	29	33	43	50	48	30	35	34	23	24			349	264
-- CPSE meetings	5	5	2	2	1	6	4	11	6	0			42	52
-- Family Training/Team Meetings	2	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	1	0			7	4
-- Transition meetings	4	10	20	1	0	4	3	12	29	9			92	86
-- Other Visits	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	2			8	22
IFSPs and Amendments														
# of Individualized Family Service Plans Completed	24	32	47	24	31	32	18	12	17	20			257	331
# of Amendments to IFSPs Completed	13	23	15	25	11	24	8	14	14	25			172	165
Services and Evaluations Pending & Completed														
Children with Services Pending														
-- Feeding	0	1	0	1	0	0	3	1	0	0				
-- Nutrition	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
-- Occupational Therapy	1	2	3	1	1	0	0	1	1	1				
-- Physical Therapy	0	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	0	0				
-- Social Work	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
-- Special Education	0	0	2	2	0	2	2	1	0	1				
-- Speech Therapy	6	6	8	15	12	6	11	4	4	7				
# of Supplemental Evaluations Pending	6	9	10	5	5	6	9	7	16	22	0	0		
Type:														
-- Audiological	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	5	4				
-- Developmental Pediatrician	2	1	0	2	2	2	2	0	4	4				
-- Diagnostic Psychological	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	4	6				
-- Feeding	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1				
-- Physical Therapy	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	2	4				
-- Speech	0	2	0	0	0	0	3	1	1	1				
-- Occupational Therapy	3	4	3	0	2	2	2	2	0	2				
-- Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0				

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Services and Evaluations Pending & Completed (continued)	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	2021 Totals	2020 Totals
# of Supplemental Evaluations Completed	6	6	8	10	3	7	9	8	5	7	0	0	69	93
Type:														
-- Audiological	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	1	4			11	27
-- Diagnostic Psychological	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0			4	9
-- Developmental Pediatrician	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	0			4	3
-- Feeding	0	1	0	2	1	2	0	0	0	1			7	11
-- Occupational Therapy	5	3	4	5	1	2	2	2	2	1			27	22
-- Physical Therapy	0	0	0	2	1	0	1	0	0	0			4	9
-- Speech Therapy	1	2	1	0	0	2	3	1	1	2			13	12
-- Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	0
Diagnosed Conditions														
Autism Spectrum														
-- Children currently diagnosed:	0	1	0	0	0	1	2	1	0	1				
-- Children currently suspect:	2	2	3	5	9	8	13	9	6	14				
Children with 'Other' Diagnosis														
-- Brain Anomalies	0	0	0	1	2	2	0	0	0	0				
-- Cardiac Anomaly	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1				
-- Cerebral Palsy (CP)	0	1	1	4	3	3	3	2	1	1				
-- Cri Du Chat	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0				
-- Chromosome Abnormality	1	1	0	2	2	0	2	2	0	0				
-- Cleft Lip/Palate	1	1	2	2	1	2	2	1	2	2				
-- Club Foot	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	1				
-- Down Syndrome	1	1	2	2	1	2	2	2	2	3				
-- Epilepsy	1	0	0	1	0	2	2	0	0	0				
-- Failure to Thrive	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0				
-- Feeding Difficulties	15	10	16	18	17	21	18	15	24	23				
-- Food Protein Induced Enterocolitis Syndrome (FPIES)	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0				
-- GERD	3	1	4	4	4	4	5	0	4	4				
-- Hearing Loss	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1				
-- Hydrocephalus	0	0	0	1	2	2	2	3	2	2				
-- Hydronephrosis	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1				
-- Hyper-IgD Syndrome	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0				
-- Hypotonia	2	4	5	5	5	4	6	6	4	4				
-- Prematurity	4	1	4	4	4	5	3	5	7	6				
-- Seizure Disorder	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0				
-- Spina Bifida	1	1	1	1	2	2	1	2	2	2				
-- Strabismus	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	0				
-- Torticollis	1	1	2	1	1	1	0	3	4	5				

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EARLY INTERVENTION PROGRAM

Early Intervention Discharges	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	2021 Totals	2020 Totals
-- To CPSE	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	16	15	6				64
-- Aged out	1	4	1	1	0	1	2	1	2	0				24
-- Declined	4	2	0	2	0	4	5	2	6	0				34
-- Skilled out	2	0	3	1	5	7	3	5	2	4				8
-- Moved	2	1	0	1	0	2	2	2	0	2				24
-- Not Eligible	5	5	10	6	8	6	7	5	7	8				69
-- Other	2	1	0	2	0	1	1	0	5	1				18
Total Number of Discharges	16	14	14	14	14	21	20	31	37	21	0	0	202	241
Child Find														
Total # of Referrals	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	1	3	2			9	6
Total # of Children in Child Find	1	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	3				
Total # Transferred to Early Intervention	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	1
Total # of Discharges	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	2			4	10

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PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

Clients Qualified and Receiving Services	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	2021 Totals	2020 Totals
Children per School District														
-- Ithaca	119	120	126	128	132	132	111	112	91	97				
-- Dryden	58	60	64	64	63	64	43	46	36	38				
-- Groton	37	38	38	37	38	38	18	18	25	25				
-- Homer	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0				
-- Lansing	20	20	21	20	20	20	15	18	12	18				
-- Newfield	10	11	12	13	14	15	6	12	6	6				
-- Trumansburg	9	10	12	13	15	15	12	12	9	10				
-- Spencer VanEtten	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0				
-- Newark Valley	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
-- Odessa-Montour	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
-- Candor	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
-- Moravia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
-- Cortland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Total # of Qualified and Receiving Services	255	261	275	277	284	286	205	218	179	194	0	0		

Services Provided	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec		
Services /Authorized by Discipline														
-- Speech Therapy (individual)	173	182	174	183	181	180	108	118	104	120				
-- Speech Therapy (group)	5	6	6	10	6	6	1	1	2	3				
-- Occupational Therapy (individual)	55	53	62	64	66	68	45	51	34	42				
-- Occupational Therapy (group)	2	2	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	0				
-- Physical Therapy (individual)	25	23	25	28	32	33	27	28	23	27				
-- Physical Therapy (group)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
-- Transportation														
-- Birnie Bus	26	27	28	28	29	29	25	26	19	3				
-- Dryden Central School District	8	8	8	7	7	7	0	0	7	6				
-- Ithaca City School District	28	25	28	28	26	26	26	26	26	25				
-- Parent	10	9	10	10	10	10	9	7	2	3				
-- Service Coordination	32	31	35	35	38	38	25	26	21	25				
-- Counseling (individual)	45	44	50	49	54	52	41	42	18	27				
-- 1:1 (Tuition Program) Aide	2	2	2	2	3	3	6	6	3	3				
-- Special Education Itinerate Teacher	24	27	29	30	35	35	29	29	17	21				
-- Parent Counseling	32	34	37	40	46	46	31	33	25	31				
-- Program Aide	0	1	1	3	3	3	1	1	0	1				
-- Teaching Assistant	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
-- Audiological Services	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	2	2				
-- Teacher of the Deaf	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	2				
-- Music Therapy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
-- Nutrition	5	6	8	8	9	9	9	10	9	13				
-- Skilled Nursing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
-- Interpreter	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1				
Total # of children rcvg. home based related svcs.	183	191	199	201	209	211	145	157	122	135				

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PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

Number of Children Served Per School District Attending Tuition Based Programs	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	2021 Totals	2020 Totals
-- Ithaca	31	28	33	34	32	32	29	29	26	14				
-- Dryden	22	22	22	21	21	21	12	12	14	14				
-- Groton	10	10	10	10	11	11	9	9	5	5				
-- Lansing	3	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	7	7				
-- Newfield	3	4	4	4	4	4	3	4	2	2				
-- Trumansburg	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3				
-- Odessa-Montour	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
-- Spencer VanEtten	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
-- Moravia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
-- # attending Dryden Central School	8	8	8	7	7	7	0	0	7	7				
-- # attending Franziska Racker Centers	44	45	46	46	47	47	41	42	32	31				
-- # attending Ithaca City School District	20	17	22	23	21	21	19	19	18	21				
Total # attending Special Ed Integrated Tuition Progr.	72	70	76	76	75	75	60	61	57	59	0	0		

Municipal Representation Committee on Preschool Special Education	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	2021 Totals	2020 Totals
-- Ithaca	12	16	0	26	28	37	5	11	16	19			170	162
-- Candor	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	0
-- Dryden	13	7	0	1	5	2	0	3	3	9			43	97
-- Groton	3	0	0	8	10	1	1	7	3	2			35	38
-- Homer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	0
-- Lansing	2	0	0	0	1	5	2	2	2	3			17	14
-- Newfield	3	0	0	2	2	7	0	0	0	1			15	13
-- Trumansburg	1	3	0	2	3	4	0	2	3	0			18	10

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ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH HIGHLIGHTS October 2021

Outreach and Division News:

Drought Planning and Coordination Meeting: On October 20, the Drought Planning and Coordination meetings for Tompkins County Surface Water Supplies were revived after a long COVID break. Water supply representatives from the City of Ithaca, Bolton Point, and Cornell University were joined by representatives from Environmental Health, Tompkins County Planning, and TG Miller. Each water supply gave a report on the status of their drought planning and identified existing or potential issues. TC Planning discussed work with Tetra Tech on the Resiliency and Recovery Plan and updating the Hazard Mitigation Plan. TG Miller summarized the effort to update the water and sewer study that they are working on for Ithaca Area Economic Development. During the meeting, it was concluded that one of the big issues for drought planning is the need for intermunicipal agreements that cover needed water exchanges between the water systems during droughts. The group formed a subcommittee to work on these agreements. Environmental Health will be participating on the subcommittee, which has its first meeting in November. The larger group will meet again in the first quarter of 2022.

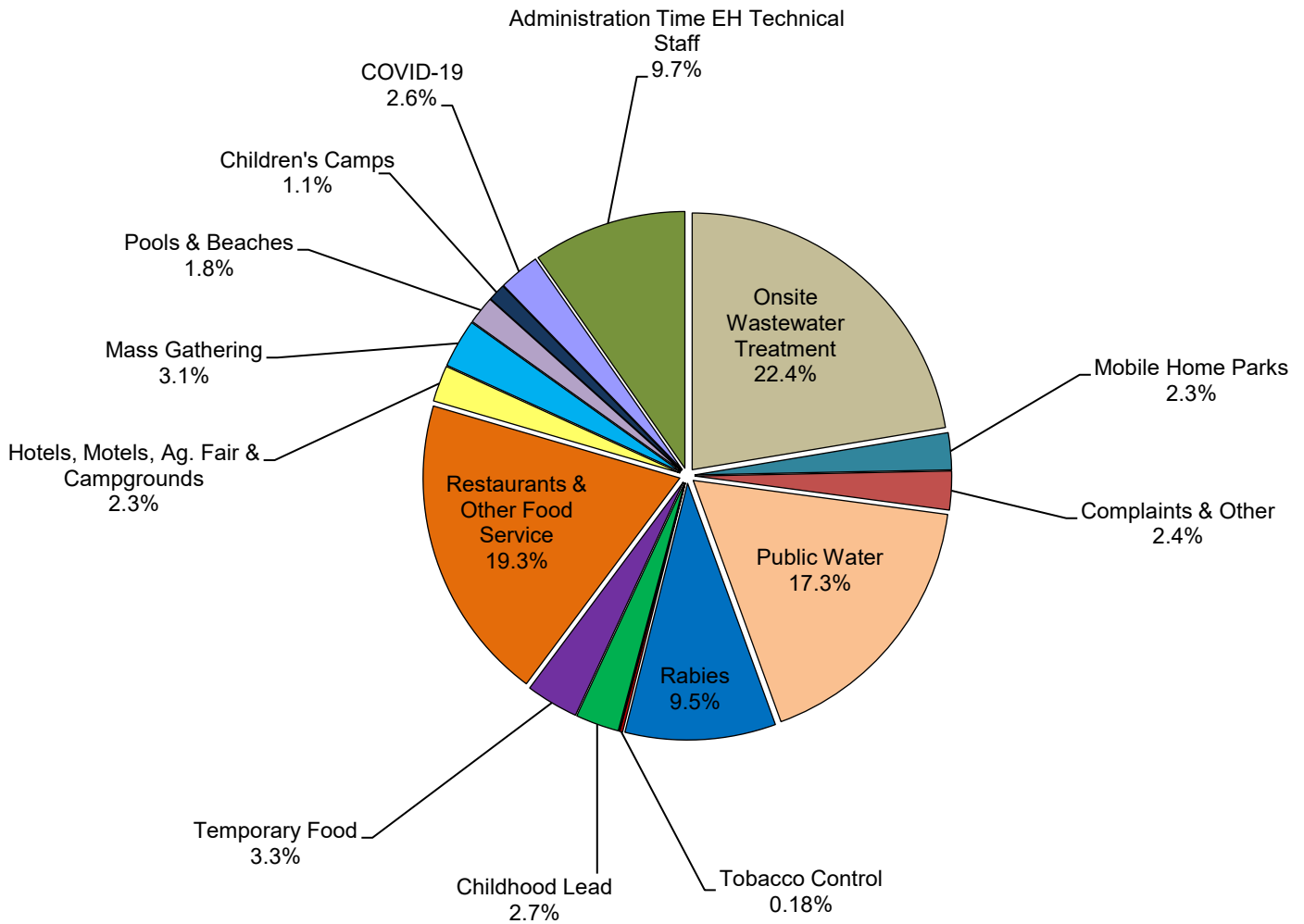
Annual Code Enforcement Officers Meeting: Adriel Shea, Scott Freyburger, and Liz Cameron participated in the Annual Code Enforcement Officers (CEO) meeting on October 5. The agenda included an update on the 911 Address system that IT is working on with DOER and a discussion about what electronic building permit systems are being used by municipalities with these systems. Scott Freyburger also presented information on CEO responsibilities for private water wells.

TCHD Rabies Policy and Procedures: In 2021, Environmental Health has been covering some of the rabies prevention program responsibilities that are handled by the Division of Community Health (DCH) during non-COVID times. The goal is for DCH to be participating in the rabies prevention program again in early 2022. Some procedures have changed permanently during COVID, and there are now multiple new staff that will be involved in the rabies program in 2022. It is a good time to review the rabies program and evaluate options for how best to implement it in the future. In October, Skip Parr and Cynthia Mosher developed background information and options. Meetings with DCH started in November. Others in the Department will be involved as the plans are further developed.

EH Organization and Work Areas 2022: Environmental Health received funds for several new positions and projects with the adoption of the 2022 budget by the Tompkins County Legislature. Two new Public Health Sanitarian positions were approved. One position to work in core EH programs, especially food service inspections, was approved for target funds. A second Public Health Sanitarian to focus on water resources was approved with funds for the next two or three years. Meegan Beckley, who has been working half time for EH and half time for Mental Health in 2021, will be transferring to the new full time administrative position in EH that was approved as part of the budget. This restores the cut in EH administrative support that occurred during the COVID personnel reductions. EH also received funding for a consultant to work on (much needed) revisions to the Tompkins County Sanitary Code and to provide Community Sciences Institute (CSI) with funds for significant enhancements to their Harmful Algal Blooms (HABs) website. EH is really looking forward to all of these changes; however, EH managers may have gotten tired of seeing each other over Zoom as they met weekly during October to determine how this work and staff would be incorporated into the office structure, and how to try to address other new program requirements that have developed (such as new Migrant Farm Worker Housing regulations).

EH Programs Overview:

Staff Time in Environmental Health Programs - October 2021



**Division of Environmental Health
Summary of Activity (2021)**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD	2020 Totals
FOOD PROTECTION PROGRAM - Restaurants & Other Food Service														
Permitted Operations (~500 Permitted Operations*)														
Inspections & Site Visits**	16	12	78	96	93	89	87	71	97	75			714	376
Critical Violations	11	5	6	14	11	24	12	23	10	18			134	79
Other Violations	13	5	26	35	30	25	18	16	16	27			211	171
Plans Approved	2	1	2	4	0	1	2	1	1	1			15	7
Complaint Investigations	0	0	1	2	2	2	1	2	3	3			16	14
Temporary FSE (375 Estimated Operations)														
Permits Issued	0	0	3	2	3	3	9	34	11	18			83	35
Inspections & Site Visits**	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	8
Critical Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	5
Other Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	0
MOBILE HOME PARKS (41 Permitted Operations, 2025 Lots*)														
Inspections & Site Visits**	0	2	3	1	0	0	0	0	7	8			21	3
Critical Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	0
Other Violations	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			1	0
Complaint Investigations	0	0	0	0	1	3	2	2	0	0			8	1
TEMPORARY RESIDENCES - Hotels & Motels (34 Permitted Operations, 2023 Rooms*)														
Inspections & Site Visits**	2	0	0	3	4	6	2	7	3	3			30	16
Critical Violations	0	0	0	4	0	0	2	0	0	7			13	7
Other Violations	0	0	0	1	8	5	0	9	0	10			33	59
Complaint Investigations	1	0	0	2	1	0	0	1	2	1			8	1
MASS GATHERING (Fingerlaks GrassRoots Festival)														
Inspections & Site Visits**	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	0
Critical Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	0
Other Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	0
Complaint Investigations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	0
CAMPGROUNDS & AGRICULTURAL FAIRGROUNDS (13 Operations, 1042 Sites*)														
Inspections & Site Visits**	0	0	0	3	6	6	14	4	0	0			33	12
Critical Violations	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	0			4	1
Other Violations	0	0	0	4	1	2	6	7	0	0			20	2
Complaint Investigations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	1
CHILDREN'S CAMPS (22 Operations)														
Inspections & Site Visits**	0	0	0	0	2	1	11	18	0	0			32	8
Critical Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0			2	0
Other Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	0
Injury/Illness Investigations	0	0	0	0	0	1	6	0	0	0			7	1
Complaint Investigations	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0			1	0
SWIMMING POOLS & BATHING BEACHES - (58 Operations*)														
Inspections & Site Visits**	10	3	8	4	11	18	25	8	7	6			100	94
Critical Violations	1	0	1	0	2	1	5	3	3	1			17	15
Other Violations	2	0	9	2	7	10	11	3	8	4			56	78
Injury/Illness Investigations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	0
Complaint Investigations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	0
PUBLIC WATER SYSTEMS (PWS) 91 Community PWS, 59 Other PWS*)														
Inspections & Site Visits**	1	0	1	4	4	3	6	11	11	20			61	68
Boil Water Orders Issued	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1			3	6
Disinfection Waivers (Total)	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	19	19	19			n/a	21
Complaint Investigations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	0

Division of Environmental Health
Summary of Activity (2021), cont'd

ON-SITE WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEMS (OWTS)														
Permits Issued	9	4	14	33	29	15	29	18	20	19	0	0	190	227
New Construction/Conversions	5	4	4	17	12	8	14	10	13	8			95	152
Replacements	4	0	10	16	17	7	15	8	7	11			95	119
Completion Certificates Issued	9	5	7	19	19	20	18	16	18	9	0	0	140	205
New Construction/Conversions	5	3	3	10	8	7	6	10	8	7			67	90
Replacements	4	2	4	9	11	13	12	6	10	2			73	115
ENGINEERING PLAN REVIEWS														
Realty Subdivisions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	3
OWTS	4	0	1	2	2	0	4	4	2	7			26	27
Collector Sewer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	1
Public Water Systems	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1			7	2
Water Main Extension	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1			5	6
Cross-Connection Control Devices	0	2	0	0	1	2	0	1	1	0			7	15
Other Water System Modification	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0			3	2
Other Engineering Reviews	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	2
RABIES CONTROL PROGRAM														
Potential Human Exposure Investigations	18	18	30	23	37	71	68	106	29	23			423	516
Human Post-X Treatments	4	4	4	1	9	26	21	35	5	3			112	128
Animal Specimens Tested	4	7	9	6	12	33	17	59	7	9			163	199
Animals Testing Positive	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1			4	11
Rabies Clinics Offered	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1			4	4
Dogs Vaccinated	0	0	0	123	103	0	0	0	109	63			398	486
Cats Vaccinated	0	0	0	82	65	0	0	0	69	42			258	295
Ferrets Vaccinated	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0			2	4
Pet Quarantine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	2
CHILDHOOD LEAD PROGRAM														
Children with Elevated Blood Lead Levels	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	2	1	0			7	18
Sites Inspected	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0			4	19
Abatement Completed	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	0
Lead Assessments Sent	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0			2	5
FOIL REQUESTS														
Total Received	10	6	1	2	1	6	3	3	2	2			36	46
ADOLESCENT TOBACCO USE PREVENTION ACT (ATUPA) (55 Operations *) & CLEAN INDOOR AIR ACT (CIAA)														
ATUPA (Adult & Minor) Compliance Checks	5	1	1	3	14	1	0	3	0	0			28	78
Violations	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			2	2
CIAA Complaints	0	1	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0			5	2
COMPLAINTS - General/Nuisance														
Complaint Investigations Opened	1	1	0	5	5	6	5	3	6	4			36	44
ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS														
Total Cases	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	10	1			14	14
Cases Related to FSE	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1			3	5
BOH Penalties Assessed	\$0	\$0	\$500	\$550	\$500	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,900	\$400			\$7,850	\$11,300
BOH Penalties Collected	\$0	\$0	\$1,900	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,800			\$3,700	\$10,500
CUSTOMER SERVICE/SUPPORT														
Calls Received	1035	802	1148	1223	1052	1104	924	997	983	695			9963	12513
Walk-In Customers	15	17	25	40	30	44	51	73	30	38			363	298
TCEH Emails Received	1334	685	512	545	380	469	390	335	445	387			5482	5694
Applications Processed	58	131	169	168	137	124	108	166	119	121			1301	1363
Payment Receipts Processed	43	122	140	128	99	89	81	138	104	153			1097	1160
Renewals/Billings Sent	114	153	26	134	43	44	100	41	62	117			834	861

* As of 1/1/2021

** Includes Pre-op, Inspection, Re-inspection, HAACP, Field Visits, Sanitary Surveys

Food Program Detailed Report:

The results of food service establishment inspections conducted in Tompkins County can be viewed directly on the Environmental Health website (<http://www.tompkinscountyny.gov/health/eh/food/index>). Inspections can be sorted to meet the needs of the viewer (by facility, date, etc.) by clicking on the column heading of interest.

The following plans were approved this period:

- Loumies - C-Ithaca

New permits were issued for the following facilities:

- Purity Ice Cream - C-Ithaca
- Benn Conger Inn - V-Groton
- Bun Appetit Bakey & Cafe – V-Groton
- Mama Said Hand Pies - T-Ulysses

Boil Water Orders (BWOs):

New:

- A BWO was issued on October 27th at Hanshaw Village Mobile Home Park, T-Dryden due to high turbidity. The high turbidity was a result of flooding of the well house on Lower Creek Road. The BWO will remain in effect until the UV filters can be replaced at the storage tank.

Summary of Open BOH Enforcement Actions:

Date of BOH Action	Facility	Owner/ Operator	Basis for Action	Penalty Assessed	Next BOH Order Deadline	Status
4/27/21	Vape Dragons	Vape Dragons LLC	Flavored vapor products offered for sale in violation of NYS Public Health Law.	\$550 (Original Check rec'd 6/2/21)	Penalty Due	Penalty payment received did not clear. Notice sent on 6/24/21 requesting money order with additional \$20 fee. Awaiting payment.
9/28/21	John Joseph Inn	John Hamilton	Public Water System - Violation of Board of Health Orders	\$600	Payment due 11/15/21	Monitoring Compliance
9/28/21	Brew 22 Coffee & Espresso	Riley Brewer	Public Water System - Violation of Board of Health Orders	\$600	Payment due 11/15/21	Monitoring Compliance
10/26/21	On The Street	Brian Horvath	Mobile Food Service - Repeat Critical Violations	\$400	Payment due 12/15/21	Monitoring Compliance



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CERTIFIED, REGULAR, & ELECTRONIC MAIL

November 24, 2021

Nouman Khan
Casablanca Pizzeria
91 Grand Avenue
Johnson City, NY 13790

**Re: Tompkins County Board of Health Draft Resolution # EH-ENF-21-0017
Casablanca Pizzeria, Food Service Establishment, C-Ithaca**

Dear Nouman Khan:

Thank you for signing the Stipulation Agreement on November 19, 2021, for Casablanca Pizzeria.

Enclosed is a copy of the Draft Resolution that the Tompkins County Board of Health will consider at its Zoom meeting on **Tuesday, December 7, 2021**. You or a representative has the right to speak to the Board for a few minutes prior to them taking action. If you wish to speak to the Board, please contact Skip Parr or me at (607) 274-6688 by Friday, December 3, 2021, so that we can coordinate access to the Zoom Meeting.

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Sincerely,

C. Elizabeth Cameron, P.E.
Director of Environmental Health

Enclosure (s) – Draft Resolution, Stipulation Agreement and Orders, and Case Summary

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DRAFT RESOLUTION # EH-ENF-21-0017 FOR

Casablanca Pizzeria
Maryam Food Mart Corp, Owner; Nouman Khan, Operator
111A East State Street
Ithaca, NY 14850

Whereas, an owner/operator of a Food Service Establishment must comply with the regulations established under Subpart 14-1 of the New York State Sanitary Code (NYSSC); **and**

Whereas, it is a critical violation of Part 14-1 of the NYSSC to fail to maintain enough refrigerated storage equipment to keep potentially hazardous foods below 45°F; **and**

Whereas, on August 6, 2021, and September 24, 2021, the TCHD observed potentially hazardous foods in a prep cooler closest to the window at temperatures between 47°F and 57°F; **and**

Whereas, Nouman Khan, Operator, signed a Stipulation Agreement with Public Health Director's Orders on November 19, 2021, agreeing that Casablanca Pizzeria violated this provision of the New York State Sanitary Code; **now therefore be it**

Resolved, on recommendation of the Tompkins County Board of Health,
That Maryam Food Mart Corp, Owner, is ordered to:

1. Pay a penalty of \$200 for these violations, **due by January 15, 2022**. (**Do Not** submit penalty payment until notified by the Tompkins County Health Department.); **and**
2. Provide proof of repair of existing food preparation cooler by a commercial refrigeration repair specialist or provide proof of purchase of replacement refrigeration equipment that is commercial grade and meets NSF (National Sanitation Foundation) standards to the Health Department by **December 15, 2021; and**
3. Provide an adequate amount of refrigeration storage to maintain Potentially Hazardous Food at or below 45°F at all times; **and**
4. Comply with all the requirements of Subpart 14-1 of the New York State Code for Food Service Establishments.



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STIPULATION AGREEMENT AND ORDERS # EH-ENF-21-0017

**Casablanca Pizzeri
Maryam Food Mart Corp, Owner; Nouman Khan, Operator
111A East State Street
Ithaca, NY 14850**


I, Nouman Khan, as a representative for Maryam Food Mart Corp., agree that on August 6, 2021, and September 24, 2021, Casablanca was in violation of Subpart 14-1 of New York State Sanitary Code for failure to maintain enough refrigerated storage equipment to keep potentially hazardous foods below 45°F.

I agree to pay a penalty not to exceed \$400 for these violations following adoption of a resolution by the Board of Health. (**Do not** submit penalty payment until notified by the Tompkins County Health Department.)

I also agree to comply with the following Orders when signed by the Tompkins County Public Health Director:

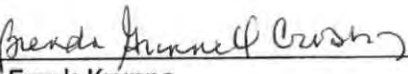

1. Provide proof of repair of existing food preparation cooler by a commercial refrigeration repair specialist or provide proof of purchase of replacement refrigeration equipment that is commercial grade and meets NSF (National Sanitation Foundation) standards to the Health Department by **November 2, 2021; and**
2. Provide an adequate amount of refrigeration storage to maintain Potentially Hazardous Food at or below 45°F at all times; **and**
3. Comply with all the requirements of Subpart 14-1 of the New York State Code for Food Service Establishments.

I understand this agreement is offered as an alternative to a formal administrative hearing and that I am subject to further action if I fail to comply with the orders.

Signed:  _____

Date: 11-19-2021

Maryam Food Mart Corp. is hereby ordered to comply with these Orders of the Public Health Director.

Signed: 
 Frank Kruppa
Public Health Director

Date: 11/19/21

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CASE SUMMARY – FOR RESOLUTION # EH-ENF-21-0017

Casablanca Pizzeria
Maryam Food Mart Corp., Owner; Nouman Khan, Operator
111A E. State Street
Ithaca, NY 14850

September 2021

Date	Action
11/19/2021	TCHD received the signed stipulation agreement.
11/15/2021	TCHD called operator to discuss stipulation agreement. Operator stated that the stipulation agreement would be signed.
11/10/2021	TCHD spoke with operator who requested copies of the inspection reports. TCHD emailed inspection reports to operator.
10/25/2021	TCHD sent stipulation agreement and scheduled phone conference for 11/10/21.
09/24/2021	Re-inspection by TCHD. Violation: See attached inspection report.
08/06/2021	Inspection by TCHD. Violation: See attached inspection report.
11/05/2020	Complaint Investigation by TCHD. No violations observed.
10/06/2020	Inspection by TCHD for follow-up on COVID complaint. No critical violations were observed.
09/10/2020	Inspection by TCHD. No critical violations were observed.
08/04/2021	Permit to operate Casablanca Pizzeria issued.

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Food Service Establishment Inspection Summary Report

Operation: CASABLANCA PIZZERI (ID: 1050862)
Facility Name: CASABLANCA PIZZERI
Facility Code: 54-AJ70 Facility Email: kiran3263@yahoo.com
Facility Address: 111a East State Street, Ithaca, NY 14850

To the Attention of:

Nouman Khan
MARYAM FOOD MART CORP
111a E State St
Ithaca, NY 14850
Email: kiran3263@yahoo.com

Re-Inspection

Date: September 24, 2021 10:35 AM
Inspector: Mikhail Kern (mkern@tompkins-co.org)
Responsible Person: Umer Muhammad
Additional Email(s): umerm1999@icloud.com

Summary

Number of Public Health Hazards Found: 1
Number of Public Health Hazards NOT Corrected: 0
Number of Other Violations Found: 0

Reinspection is Required

Each item found in violation is reported below along with the code requirement.

IMPROPER COOLING AND REFRIGERATED STORAGE OF POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS FOODS.

ITEM # 5E WAS FOUND IN VIOLATION 1 TIME(S). CRITICAL VIOLATION

Part or parts of the item were observed to be in violation which were corrected at the time of inspection.

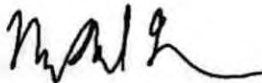
Code Requirements: Enough refrigerated storage equipment is not present, properly designed, maintained or operated so that all potentially hazardous foods are cooled properly and stored below 45°F as required.

Inspector Findings: Observed chicken, garlic in oil, and other items in the sandwich unit closest to the window between 47-54 degrees F.
Correction: Cold holding equipment must be maintained so as to ensure that potentially hazardous food remains 45 degrees F or below.
Food had been sitting in unit overnight, so all potentially hazardous food was discarded during inspection. Discussed importance of properly functioning cold holding equipment.

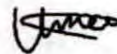
NO ADDITIONAL VIOLATIONS REPORTED

Additional Information Collected During Inspection


Comments: Part 1: One critical violation of Item #5E.
Part 2: No violations observed.
Reinspection required.
Item 5C corrected from previous inspection - waivers were being kept and hot holding unit was turned on. Item 11D was also corrected - no mold was observed in ice machine.
Enforcement to follow.



Inspector: Mikhail Kern (mkern@tomkins-co.org)



Received by: Umer Muhammad

 9/27/2021

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Food Service Establishment Inspection Summary Report

Operation: CASABLANCA PIZZERI (ID: 1050862)
Facility Name: CASABLANCA PIZZERI
Facility Code: 54-AJ70 Facility Email: kiran3263@yahoo.com
Facility Address: 111a East State Street, Ithaca, NY 14850

To the Attention of:

Nouman Khan
MARYAM FOOD MART CORP
111a E State St
Ithaca, NY 14850
Email: kiran3263@yahoo.com

Inspection

Date: August 6, 2021 11:30 AM
Inspector: Clayton Maybee (cmaybee@tom-pkins-co.org)
Responsible Person: Umer Muhammad
Additional Email(s): kmorgan@tom-pkins-co.org; umerm1999@icloud.com

Summary

Number of Public Health Hazards Found: 3
Number of Public Health Hazards NOT Corrected: 0
Number of Other Violations Found: 1

Reinspection is Required

Each item found in violation is reported below along with the code requirement.

IMPROPER COOLING AND REFRIGERATED STORAGE OF POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS FOODS.

ITEM # 5C WAS FOUND IN VIOLATION 2 TIME(S). CRITICAL VIOLATION

Part or parts of the item were observed to be in violation which were corrected at the time of inspection.

Code Requirements: Potentially hazardous foods are not stored under refrigeration except during necessary preparation or approved precooling procedures (room temperature storage).

Inspector Findings:

1. Observed approximately one dozen pizzas on display from 74 to 84 degrees F including sausage, vegetable, and other temperature controlled pizzas. The pizzas had been made less than two hours prior to the inspection. A log sheet was not filled out at the time of my observation. I explained the proper way to fill out temperature log sheets.
2. Observed approximately five pounds cooked sausage and approximately five pounds cooked chicken in pans in a hot holding unit on the counter opposite the pizza display at 56-58 degrees F. The unit was not turned on and the food was being kept there prior to placing on the grill according to interview. The meats were placed on

the grill during the inspection for rapid heating.

Action: Keep potentially hazardous foods at or below 45 degrees in storage or display.

IMPROPER COOLING AND REFRIGERATED STORAGE OF POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS FOODS.

ITEM # 5E WAS FOUND IN VIOLATION 1 TIME(S). CRITICAL VIOLATION

Part or parts of the item were observed to be in violation which were corrected at the time of inspection.

Code Requirements: Enough refrigerated storage equipment is not present, properly designed, maintained or operated so that all potentially hazardous foods are cooled properly and stored below 45°F as required.

Inspector Findings: Observed approximately ten pounds of raw chicken, smaller containers of cooked meat, and garlic in oil in the lower part of the pizza prep cooler closest to the window at 55 to 57 degrees F. Observed garlic in oil, sausage, sliced tomatoes, and cooked chicken in the upper part of the unit from 47 to 57 degrees F. All foods in the unit were from 47 to 57 degrees F. According to interview all foods had been placed in the unit at opening and were moved to a working cooler during the inspection.

Action: Maintain refrigerated storage to keep potentially hazardous foods at or below 45 degrees F.

IMPROPER CLEANING, WASHING AND SANITIZING OF EQUIPMENT AND UTENSILS.

ITEM #11D WAS FOUND IN VIOLATION 1 TIME(S).

All or parts of the item are violations.

Code Requirements: Non food contact surfaces of equipment not clean

Inspector Findings: Observed a build-up of black slime in the ice machine.

Action: Regularly clean and sanitize the ice machine.

Additional Information Collected During Inspection

Comments: Three Part I Critical Item Violations 5C (twice) and 5E
One Part II Blue Item Violation 11D

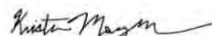
Re-inspection required.



Inspector: Clayton Maybee (cmaybee@tompkins-co.org)



Received by: Umer Muhammad

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November 24, 2021

Gregar Brous
AGAVA
46 Elm Street
Trumansburg, NY 14882

**Re: Tompkins County Board of Health Draft Resolution # EH-ENF-21-0018
AGAVA, Food Service Establishment, T-Ithaca**

Dear Gregar Brous:

Thank you for signing the Stipulation Agreement on November 9, 2021, for AGAVA.

Enclosed is a copy of the Draft Resolution that the Tompkins County Board of Health will consider at its Zoom meeting on **Tuesday, December 7, 2021**. You or a representative has the right to speak to the Board for a few minutes prior to them taking action. If you wish to speak to the Board, please contact Skip Parr or me at (607) 274-6688 by Friday, December 3, 2021, so that we can coordinate access to the Zoom Meeting.

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Sincerely,

C. Elizabeth Cameron, P.E.
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DRAFT RESOLUTION # EH-ENF-21-0018 FOR

**AGAVA Restaurant
POD of Ithaca, Owner; Gregar Brous, Operator
381 Pine Tree Road
Ithaca, NY 14850**

Whereas, an owner/operator of a Food Service Establishment must comply with the regulations established under Subpart 14-1 of the New York State Sanitary Code (NYSSC); **and**

Whereas, it is a critical violation of Part 14-1 of the NYSSC to fail to maintain smoked fish at or below 38°F in cold holding; **and**

Whereas, on August 25, 2021, and October 7, 2021, the TCHD observed smoked fish at temperatures of 55°F and 45°F in a walk-in cooler; **and**

Whereas, Gregar Brous, Operator, signed a Stipulation Agreement with Public Health Director's Orders on November 9, 2021, agreeing that AGAVA violated this provision of the New York State Sanitary Code; **now therefore be it**

**Resolved, on recommendation of the Tompkins County Board of Health,
That POD of Ithaca, Owner, is ordered to:**

1. Pay a penalty of \$200 for these violations, **due by January 15, 2022**. (**Do Not** submit penalty payment until notified by the Tompkins County Health Department.); **and**
2. Maintain smoked fish at or below 38°F in cold holding; **and**
3. Comply with all the requirements of Subpart 14-1 of the New York State Code for Food Service Establishments.



Your Partner for a Healthy Community

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STIPULATION AGREEMENT AND ORDERS # EH-ENF-21-0018

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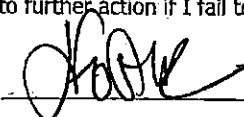
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I agree to pay a penalty not to exceed \$200 for these violations following adoption of a resolution by the Board of Health. *(Do not submit penalty payment until notified by the Tompkins County Health Department.)*

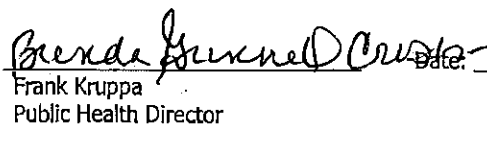
I also agree to comply with the following Orders when signed by the Tompkins County Public Health Director:

1. Maintain smoked fish at or below 38°F in cold holding; and
2. Comply with all the requirements of Subpart 14-1 of the New York State Code for Food Service Establishments.

I understand this agreement is offered as an alternative to a formal administrative hearing and that I am subject to further action if I fail to comply with the orders.

Signed:  Date: 11/9/21

POD of Ithaca is hereby ordered to comply with these Orders of the Public Health Director.

Signed:  Date: 11/9/21
Frank Kruppa
Public Health Director

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CASE SUMMARY – FOR RESOLUTION # EH-ENF-21-0018

AGAVA

POD of Ithaca, Owner; Gregar Brous, Operator
381 Pine Tree Road
Ithaca, NY 14850

November 2021

Date	Action
11/09/2021	TCHD received the signed stipulation agreement.
10/25/2021	TCHD sent a stipulation agreement with a phone conference scheduled for 11/10/21.
10/07/2021	Re-inspection by TCHD. Violation: See attached inspection report.
08/25/2021	Inspection by TCHD. Violation: See attached inspection report.
02/14/2020	Inspection by TCHD. No critical violations were observed.
08/06/2019	Inspection by TCHD. No critical violations were observed
03/22/2019	Re-inspection by TCHD. Violations sited on 2/26/2019 were corrected. No violations were observed.
02/26/2019	Inspection by TCHD. Violation: Potentially hazardous foods were not cooled using an approved method. In addition, potentially hazardous foods were not stored in refrigeration except during necessary preparation.
10/16/2018	Re-inspection by TCHD. Violation sited on 9/11/2018 was corrected. No violations were observed.
09/11/2018	Inspection by TCHD. Violation: Prepared foods were subject to cross-contamination from raw foods.
01/17/2018	Inspection by TCHD. No critical violations were observed.
08/31/2017	Inspection by TCHD. No critical violations were observed.
02/21/2017	Inspection by TCHD. No critical violations were observed.
09/02/2016	Inspection by TCHD. No critical violations were observed.
03/07/2016	Re-inspection by TCHD. Violation sited on 2/16/2016 was corrected. No violations were observed.
02/16/2016	Inspection by TCHD. Violation: Enough refrigerated storage equipment was not maintained so that potentially hazardous foods were kept at or below 45°F in cold holding.
04/16/2012	Permit to operate AGAVA issued.

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Food Service Establishment Inspection Summary Report

Operation: AGAVA (ID: 795573)
Facility Name: AGAVA
Facility Code: 54-AA79 Facility Email: gb8134@yahoo.com
Facility Address: 381 Pine Tree Road, Ithaca, NY 14850

To the Attention of:

Gregar Brous
POD OF ITHACA
46 Elm Street
Trumansburg, NY 14886
Email: gb8134@yahoo.com

Re-Inspection

Date: October 7, 2021 04:10 PM
Inspector: Mikhail Kern (mkern@tomkins-co.org)
Responsible Person: Andre Jacquet
Additional Email(s): andrej@agavarestaurant.com

Summary

Number of Public Health Hazards Found: 1
Number of Public Health Hazards NOT Corrected: 0
Number of Other Violations Found: 0

Reinspection is Required

Each item found in violation is reported below along with the code requirement.

IMPROPER COOLING AND REFRIGERATED STORAGE OF POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS FOODS.

ITEM # 5A WAS FOUND IN VIOLATION 1 TIME(S). CRITICAL VIOLATION

Part or parts of the item were observed to be in violation which were corrected at the time of inspection.

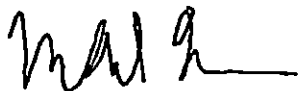
Code Requirements: Potentially hazardous foods are not kept at or below 45°F during cold holding, except smoked fish not kept at or below 38°F during cold holding.

Inspector Findings: Observed approximately one dozen small packages of smoked fish in walk-in refrigerator at 45 degrees F.
Correction: Smoked fish must be kept below 38 degrees F at all times.
Operator moved fish to walk-in freezer during inspection. Discussed the necessity of keeping smoked fish at a lower temperature than other potentially hazardous foods.

NO ADDITIONAL VIOLATIONS REPORTED

Additional Information Collected During Inspection

Comments: Part 1: One critical violation observed of Item #5A observed.
Part 2: No violations observed.
Reinspection required.
Enforcement to follow.
Other items corrected from previous inspection.



Inspector: Mikhail Kern (mkern@tomkins-co.org)



Received by: Andre Jacquet



10/8/2021

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Inspection

Date: August 25, 2021 03:00 PM
Inspector: Clayton Maybee (cmaybee@tomkins-co.org)
Responsible Person: Ben Janowsky
Additional Email(s): kmorgan@tomkins-co.org; benny@agavarestaurant.com

Summary

Number of Public Health Hazards Found: 2
Number of Public Health Hazards NOT Corrected: 0
Number of Other Violations Found: 1

Reinspection is Required

Each item found in violation is reported below along with the code requirement.

IMPROPER COOLING AND REFRIGERATED STORAGE OF POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS FOODS.

ITEM # 5A WAS FOUND IN VIOLATION 2 TIME(S). CRITICAL VIOLATION

Part or parts of the item were observed to be in violation which were corrected at the time of inspection.

Code Requirements: Potentially hazardous foods are not kept at or below 45°F during cold holding, except smoked fish not kept at or below 38°F during cold holding.

Inspector Findings:

- 1: Observed approximately six small packages of smoked steelhead trout at 55 degrees F in the open top of the left hand prep cooler in the dessert area in the kitchen.
- 2: Observed approximately one pint of house made dressing at 63 degrees in the top of the left hand prep cooler by the grill area.

Both food items were stocked in the coolers immediately before the inspection and were moved to a lower section of the coolers for rapid chilling during the inspection.

Action: Keep potentially hazardous foods, including house made dressings at or below 45 degrees F, and keep smoked fish at or below 38 degrees F.

FOOD NOT PROTECTED IN GENERAL

ITEM # 8A WAS FOUND IN VIOLATION 1 TIME(S).

All or parts of the item are violations.

Code Requirements: Food not protected during storage, preparation, display, transportation and service, from potential sources of contamination (e.g., food uncovered, mislabeled, stored on floor, missing or inadequate sneeze guards, food containers double stacked)

Inspector Findings: Observed approximately three pounds of ground sausage at 47 degrees in the top of the pizza prep cooler at the pizza station.

Action: Keep potentially hazardous foods at or below 45 degrees F in storage.

Additional Information Collected During Inspection

Comments: Two Part I Critical Item Violations 5A (Twice)
One Part II Blue Item Violation 8A

Re-inspection Required



Inspector: Clayton Maybee (cmaybee@tompkins-co.org)



Received by: Ben Janowsky



08/26/2021



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CERTIFIED, REGULAR, & ELECTRONIC MAIL

November 1, 2021

Ramsey Brous
Collegetown Bagels Inc.
400 Meadow Street
Ithaca, NY 14850

**Re: Tompkins County Board of Health Draft Resolution # EH-ENF-21-0019
Ithaca Bakery, V-Lansing— Violation of Board of Health Orders**

Dear Ramsey Brous:

Enclosed is a copy of the Draft Resolution that the Tompkins County Board of Health will consider at its meeting on **Tuesday, December 7, 2021**. On May 28, 2019, the Tompkins County Board of Health adopted Resolution EH-ENF-19-0014 requiring you to comply with all the requirements of Subpart 14-1 of the New York State Code for Food Service Establishments.

On August 31, 2021, and October 7, 2021, the TCHD observed critical violations of Subpart 14-1 of the New York State Sanitary Code where adulterated food (mold growing on cheese) was observed.

You or a representative has the right to speak to the Board for a few minutes prior to them taking action. If you wish to speak to the Board, please contact Skip Parr or me at (607) 274-6688 by Friday, December 3, 2021, so that we can coordinate access to the Zoom Meeting.

In lieu of joining the Zoom Meeting, you can submit a written statement for the Board of Health to consider by sending it to: tceh@tompkins-co.org by December 3, 2021. The meeting will also be broadcast through the Tompkins County YouTube Channel, which can be accessed through the following web address: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UckpJNVbpLLbEbhoDbTIEgSQ>.

Sincerely,

C. Elizabeth Cameron, P.E.
Director of Environmental Health

Enclosures – Draft Resolution, Resolution EH-ENF-19-0014, and Case Summary

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ec: Tompkins County Board of Health (via; Brittini Griep; Shelley Comisi, TCHD)
Supervisor V-Lansing; Deborah Dawson, TC Legislature; TCHD: Elizabeth Cameron, P.E., Director of Environmental Health; Frank Kruppa, Public Health Director; Kristee Morgan; Skip Parr; Brenda Coyle
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DRAFT RESOLUTION # EH-ENF-21-0019 FOR

**Ithaca Bakery
Collegetown Bagels Inc./Ramsey Brous, Owner/Operator
2255 N. Triphammer Rd., V-Lansing
Ithaca, NY 14850**

Whereas, an owner/operator of a Food Service Establishment must comply with the regulations established under Subpart 14-1 of the New York State Sanitary Code (NYSSC); **and**

Whereas, it is a critical violation of Part 14-1 of the NYSSC to Fail to maintain food from an unapproved source, spoiled, or adulterated on premises; **and**

Whereas, on May 28, 2019, Tompkins County Board of Health (TCHD) Resolution #ENF-19-0014 ordered Ramsey Brous to comply with all the requirements of Subpart 14-1 of the NYSSC for Food Service Establishments; **and**

Whereas, on August 31, 2021, and October 7, 2021, the TCHD observed cheeses with mold growth stored in the walk-in coolers; **and**

Whereas, on August 31, 2021, and October 7, 2021, Ithaca Bakery violated these provisions of the NYSSC and a provision of Board of Health Resolution #ENF-19-0014 was not met; **now therefore be it**

**Resolved, on recommendation of the Tompkins County Board of Health,
That Ramsey Brous, Operator, is ordered to:**

1. Pay a penalty of \$200 for these violations, **due by January 15, 2022.** (**Do Not** submit penalty payment until notified by the Tompkins County Health Department.); **and**
2. Ensure that food that is spoiled, unadulterated, or obtained from unapproved sources is not stored on premises; **and**
3. Store potentially hazardous food at or below 45°F at all times during cold holding except during necessary preparation or approved precooling procedures; **and**
4. Maintain potentially hazardous foods under refrigeration at all times except during necessary preparation or approved precooling procedures; **and**
5. Maintain temperature logs as prescribed by the Tompkins County Health Department; **and**
6. Maintain at least one employee who has successfully completed the food safety training on-site during hours of operation. In the event that a trained employee separates from employment, another employee must successfully complete an approved food safety course within 90 days. Training certificates must be retained and made available during an inspection; **and**
7. Comply with all the requirements of Subpart 14-1 of the New York State Code for Food Service Establishments.



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CASE SUMMARY – FOR RESOLUTION # EH-ENF-21-0019

**Ithaca Bakery
Collegetown Bagels Inc., Ramsey Brous, Operator
2255 North Triphammer Road, V-Lansing
Ithaca, NY 14850**

October 2021

Date	Action
10/07/2021	Re- Inspection by TCHD: Violations: See attached inspection report.
08/31/2021	Inspection by TCHD: Violations: See attached inspection report.
05/25/2021	Inspection by TCHD: No critical violations noted.
09/29/2020	Inspection by TCHD: No critical violations noted. Inspection was limited due to COVID.
03/02/2020	Inspection by TCHD: No critical violations noted.
11/09/2019	Inspection by TCHD: No critical violations noted.
05/28/2019	Board of Health adopts Resolution #EH-ENF-19-0014
04/05/2019	Inspection by TCHD: Violations: Potentially hazardous foods were not kept at or below 45°F during cold holding.: Potentially hazardous foods were not stored under refrigeration.
11/15/2018	Re-inspection following Board of Health Action by TCHD: Violations observed on 8/21/18 were corrected.
9/25/2018	Board of Health adopts Resolution # EH-ENF-18-0027.
08/21/2018	Re-inspection by TCHD: Violations: Potentially hazardous foods were not kept at or below 45°F during cold holding. Item 6A cited on 07/31/2018 was corrected.
07/31/2018	Inspection by TCHD: Violations: Potentially hazardous foods were not kept at or below 45°F during cold holding. Potentially hazardous foods were not kept above 140°F during hot holding.
03/06/2018	Inspection by TCHD: No critical violations noted.
12/12/2017	Re-inspection by TCHD: Violation observed on 11/20/2017 was corrected.
11/20/2017	Inspection by TCHD: Violation: Potentially hazardous foods were not stored under refrigeration.
05/08/2017	Inspection by TCHD: No critical violations noted.
02/11/2017	Field Visit by TCHD at Ithaca Chili Cookoff: No violations noted.
11/10/2016	Inspection by TCHD: No critical violations noted.
09/27/2016	Board of Health adopts Resolution # EH-ENF-16-0016.
07/11/2016	Re-inspection by TCHD: Violations: Potentially hazardous foods were not kept at or below 45°F during cold holding. Potentially hazardous foods were not prepared as recommended

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Ithaca Bakery Case Summary

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	using prechilled ingredients and were not prechilled to 45°F or less before service.
06/21/2016	Inspection by TCHD: Violations: Potentially hazardous foods were not kept at or below 45°F during cold holding. Potentially hazardous foods were not prepared as recommended using prechilled ingredients and were not prechilled to 45°F or less before service.
02/22/2010	Pre-operational inspection conducted by TCHD. Permit to Operate Ithaca Bakery at renovated location issued.

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Food Service Establishment Inspection Summary Report

Operation: ITHACA BAKERY (ID: 722996)
Facility Name: ITHACA BAKERY
Facility Code: 54-AD83 Facility Email: ramsey@ithacabakery.com
Facility Address: 2255 North Triphammer Road, Ithaca, NY 14850

To the Attention of:

Ramsey Brous
COLLEGETOWN BAGELS INC
400 N Meadow St
Ithaca, NY 14850
Email: ramsey@ithacabakery.com

Re-Inspection

Date: October 7, 2021 02:45 PM
Inspector: Mikhail Kern (mkern@tomkins-co.org)
Responsible Person: Sean O'brien
Additional Email(s): jason@ithacabakery.com

Summary

Number of Public Health Hazards Found:	1
Number of Public Health Hazards NOT Corrected:	0
Number of Other Violations Found:	1

Reinspection is Required

Each item found in violation is reported below along with the code requirement.

FOODS ADULTERATED OR RECEIVED FROM UNAPPROVED SOURCES.

ITEM # 1H WAS FOUND IN VIOLATION 1 TIME(S). CRITICAL VIOLATION

Part or parts of the item were observed to be in violation which were corrected at the time of inspection.

Code Requirements: Food from unapproved source, spoiled, adulterated on premises.

Inspector Findings: Observed 1 package of mozzarella cheese and one package of cheddar cheese in walk-in refrigerator with mold growing on them.
Correction: Food must not be adulterated.
Cheese was discarded during inspection. Education was provided on the importance of checking stored food for mold.

FOOD NOT PROTECTED IN GENERAL

ITEM # 8A WAS FOUND IN VIOLATION 1 TIME(S).

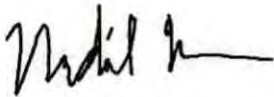
All or parts of the item are violations.

Code Requirements: Food not protected during storage, preparation, display, transportation and service, from potential sources of contamination (e.g., food uncovered, mislabeled, stored on floor, missing or inadequate sneeze guards, food containers double stacked)

Inspector Findings: Observed uncovered containers of grated parmesan, hard boiled eggs, and pickling liquid in the walk-in refrigerator.
Correction: Food must be covered while being stored.
Operator covered the items during the inspection.

Additional Information Collected During Inspection

Comments: Part 1: One critical violation of Item #1H observed.
Part 2: One violation of Item #8A observed.
Reinspection required.
Enforcement to follow.



Inspector: Mikhail Kern (mkern@tomkins-co.org)



Received by: Sean O'brien



10/8/21

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To the Attention of:

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Email: ramsey@ithacabakery.com

Inspection

Date: August 31, 2021 12:03 PM
Inspector: Joan Pike (jpik@tom-pkins-co.org)
Responsible Person: Jason Earl
Additional Email(s): kmorgan@tom-pkins-co.org

Summary

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Number of Public Health Hazards NOT Corrected: 0
Number of Other Violations Found: 1

Reinspection is Required

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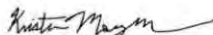
FOODS ADULTERATED OR RECEIVED FROM UNAPPROVED SOURCES.

ITEM # 1H WAS FOUND IN VIOLATION 1 TIME(S). CRITICAL VIOLATION

Part or parts of the item were observed to be in violation which were corrected at the time of inspection.

Code Requirements: Food from unapproved source, spoiled, adulterated on premises.

Inspector Findings: Observed 1/2 log of fresh mozzarella cheese with mold in the first walk-in cooler. Operator discarded the cheese
Action: Food must be regularly inspected and discarded if spoiled.

 9/1/2021

FOOD NOT PROTECTED IN GENERAL

ITEM # 8A WAS FOUND IN VIOLATION 1 TIME(S).

All or parts of the item are violations.

Code Requirements: Food not protected during storage, preparation, display, transportation and service, from potential sources of contamination (e.g., food uncovered, mislabeled, stored on floor, missing or inadequate sneeze guards, food containers double stacked)

Inspector Findings: Observed approximately 2 gallons of gazpacho uncovered in 1st walk-in cooler. The grill rack above the gazpacho had debris which could potentially fall into the gazpacho. Operator covered the gazpacho.

Action: Food that is to be served to the public must be protected from any kind of physical/chemical and biological contamination.

Additional Information Collected During Inspection

Comments: Part I Critical Item Violations- mozzarella cheese with mold
Part II Blue Item Violations- Food in walk-in cooler, not protected from debris on cooler rack. Open pot of Gazpacho uncovered on bottom shelf.



Inspector: Joan Pike (jpике@tompkins-co.org)



Received by: Jason Earl



Board of Health Meeting Dates 2022

January 25

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March 22

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September 27

October 25

December 6

All meetings will be held at 12:00 noon.