

HALES CORNERS HEALTH DEPARTMENT

2022

ANNUAL

REPORT



Public Health
Prevent. Promote. Protect.
Hales Corners
Health Department

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BOARD OF HEALTH

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MISSION AND VISION



An annual report is a comprehensive report on activities throughout the preceding year. These reports are intended to give our residents and community partners information about the health department throughout the year.

VISION

To create an environment dedicated to optimizing health and well-being of all members of the community through services based on education, promotion, prevention, and preparedness

MISSION

To improve and protect the health of the community, assure optimum health and wellness, prevent disease, injury and disability, and prepare for new health threats. The Hales Corners Health Department (HCHD) strongly supports health equity principles and is committed to provide people what they need to be healthy.



HEALTH EQUITY



Not everyone has the same opportunity to achieve their full health potential. This is a result of inequities which cause disparities in the community. The Hales Corners Health Department is dedicated and committed to eliminate disparities where they exist, achieve health equity, and to improve the well-being of all community members.

Health Equity in Action

It is HCHD's plan to create and foster equity across social, physical, economic, and environmental determinants of health. This will include engaging with the community, leadership, as well as key constituents across multiple sectors to further develop policies, programs, and services. Additionally, HCHD continues to integrate health equity throughout the department by:

- Understanding the role of social determinants and root causes and recognize the benefit of working across disciplines by incorporating health into all policies.
- Establishing an interdisciplinary and interdepartmental health equity team.
- Presenting data with compassion, empathy, and respect for the people who it represents.
- Contracting third party trainers/educators to minimize bias and strengthen collaborative partnerships when possible.
- Partnering with local, state, and national organizations committed to health equity on collaborative learning and projects.
- Facilitating frequent trainings and educational opportunities for all staff that promotes cultural humility and addresses implicit bias, anti-racism, etc.
- Holding regular opportunities for reflection and discussion of health equity that allows staff to support and hold each other accountable.
- Providing opportunities for all staff to establish and maintain community relationships to promote empathy and understanding of the populations they serve.
- Sharing data through diverse mediums like graphs, charts, social media, public briefings, and fact sheets to reach a broader audience.

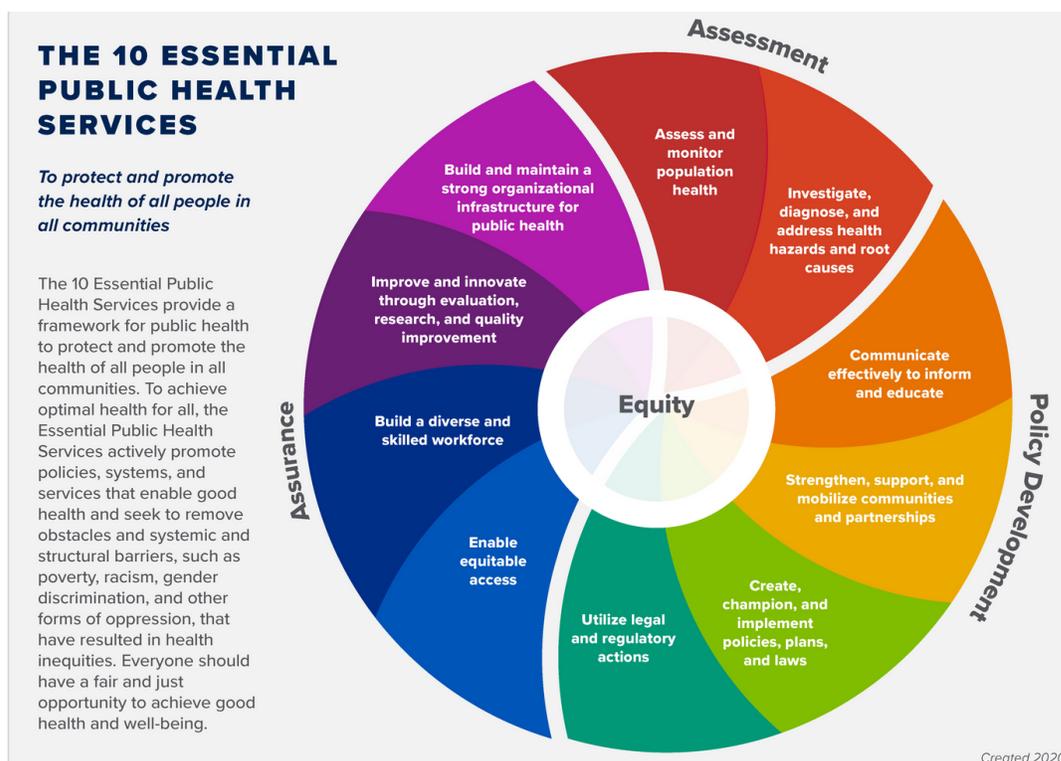
WHAT IS PUBLIC HEALTH?

Public health promotes and protects the health of people and the communities where they live, learn, work, and play. Serving approximately 7800 people in our village, the Hales Corners Health Department's role is to protect, promote, and enrich population health and collaborate with community partners to ensure a healthy and thriving community.

The Health Department also ensures that core services required by State Statute are provided, including:

1. Public Health Nursing-General Prevention Programming
2. Communicable Disease Prevention & Control
3. Health Promotion and Injury Prevention
4. Chronic Disease Prevention
5. Environmental Human Health Hazard Control and Prevention

Our Health Department works hard to keep the community informed about public health issues that impact the village. Stay informed by signing up for email updates on our website or by visiting our Facebook page. We hope you enjoy reviewing our 2022 Annual Report.



TRAINING HIGHLIGHTS



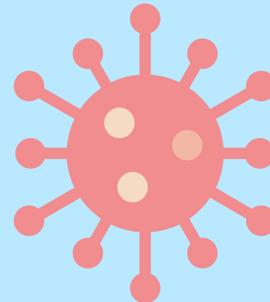
HEALTH PROMOTION AND INJURY PREVENTION



- NARCAN Direct
- Fentanyl Test Strip Training
- Certified Passenger Safety Technician
- Wake Up Call Room Certified
- WALHDAB Meetings
- Overview of Public Health 3.0 and Foundational Public Health

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE

- DHS weekly Communicable Disease Webinars
- DHS Covid-19 Vaccination Webinars
- Public Health Data Training
- Milwaukee County Office of Emergency Management Covid-19 Response
- Wisconsin Immunization Registry Training



MATERNAL CHILD HEALTH



- MCH Title V Breastfeeding Learning in the Community
- Breastfeeding Community Forums
- BF Friendly Child Care Training
- Community Forum: Enhancing Equity for Maternal and Child Health Strategies
- DHS/DPI School Stakeholder Webinar
- Student Immunization Law 2022-2023 School Year
- RedCAP Training

TRAINING HIGHLIGHTS CONTINUED...

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS



- PHEP Workgroups
- HERC Region 7 Preparedness
- SE Region PHERP Workgroups
- Milwaukee Metro Area Extreme Weather Task Force (EWTF)
- Quarterly Southwest Region Public Health Nurse Meetings
- Preparedness Hazard Vulnerability Assessment
- Public Health Caucus Meetings
- Zone D Public Health Nurse Meeting

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

- DATCP Healthspace Training
- HHLPSS Training
- HHLPSS Q&A's
- Radon Testing Training
- Lead Risk Assessor Refresher Training course



COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND PARTNERSHIPS

Hales Corners Health Department understands that community engagement is achieved through working with groups of people who share the same interests can be a powerful vehicle in creating environmental and behavioral health changes. HCHD spent 2022 reestablishing relationships with our local schools, faith-based facilities, childcare centers, Long-term care facilities, assisted living facilities, local stakeholders, and local partnerships and coalitions.

Community Alliance

Community Alliance is a coalition with partnership between Greendale and Hales Corners Communities to prevent and minimize substance misuse among youth and teens.



Hales Corners & Greendale
**COMMUNITY
ALLIANCE**

Nursing School Mentorship

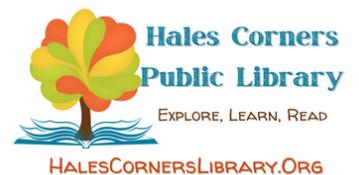
Hales Corners Health Department partnered with Alverno College in Milwaukee to help the public health nursing shortage. HCHD works with the students to help promote health by hosting health events with students each semester.



Hales Corners Library

Hales Corners Health Department is located in the lower level of the Hales Corners Library. HCHD partnered with the library throughout the year to plan community events.

- Handwashing Education and Kindness presentation with the Hales Corners Summer Rec Dept
- Positivity Education for Spring Break Event
- Mental Health Star Wars Event
- Post Covid Initiatives



Hales Corners Village Market

HCHD started its planning process for the 2023 Hales Corners Health Department Village Market. HCHD understands the importance of promoting healthy behaviours, this why we knew this touchpoint was needed by the Hales Corners community. The Market will be held on Wednesday evenings from 3pm to 7pm in the Hales Corners Park. The Market is scheduled to start June 14th, 2023, and run till October 18th, 2023.



2022 National Night out

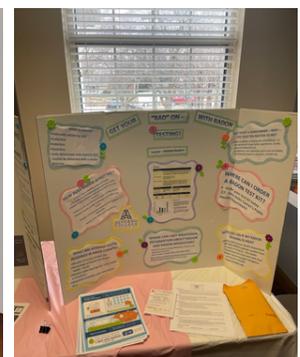
Hales Corners Health Department attended the Village of Hales Corners National Night Out event in August. Covid-19 at home test kits were distributed, masks, and educational information. Light-up balloons and necklaces were distributed for this night event.



2022 Health Fair

Hales Corners Health Department held a community health fair on election day. The Alverno students provided education short presentations, stretching exercises, and blood pressure screenings for community members at village hall.

Safe Strides: distributed information on Village walking tours and provided safety vests for Hales Corners residents.



Luminary Walk

Hales Corners Health Department, Community Alliance, and Alverno College hosted a luminary walk in the Hales Corners Park. This event was placed in the evening during dawn where luminaries were placed for a guided walk which brought awareness about Mental Health and Substance Misuse.



Family Fun Night

Hales Corners Health Department started its first Family Fun Night in Hales Corners Park. The goal of this event was to get community members out of the house and away from electronic devices. This event served over 100 community members.



Community events Hosted by the Hales Corners Health Department

- Yoga with Annie
- Men's Strengthening Workshop
- Narcan Classes
- Narcan Training with Local Schools
- Community Focus Groups
- Advance Directive Workshops
- Farmers Market Meetings
- Blood Drives
- Blood Pressure Clinics
- Stepping On Program
- Healthy Cooking with Annie

YOGA WITH Annie



Yoga Class with Annie is back!

On the following Tuesdays:

September 13th
September 27th
October 11th
and
October 25th
at 12:30 p.m.
in the Ben Hunt room
(Lower level of the Hales Corners Library)

Please bring your own mat :)



**Tuesday
August**

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2:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Helpful tip:
Make sure to eat a healthy meal and drink plenty of water before donating.



HALES CORNERS COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE

LOCATION:
Community Room- Lower Level
5885 S. 116TH ST.
HALES CORNERS, WI 53130

APPOINTMENTS PREFERRED
Call 877.232.4376 or visit
<https://bit.ly/HalesCorners82322>

Stay hydrated! Donate and receive a Versiti water bottle and sticker sheet, while supplies last.



ADVANCE DIRECTIVES WORKSHOP PLANNING FOR THE END OF LIFE PRESENTED BY COMPASSUS



WHERE: THE BEN HUNT ROOM
(LOWER-LEVEL OF HALES CORNERS LIBRARY)

WHEN: THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH FROM 12 P.M. TO 1 P.M.
AND
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26TH FROM 4 P.M. TO 5 P.M.



A SOCIAL WORKER FROM COMPASSUS HOSPICE WILL EXPLAIN THE IMPORTANCE OF PREPLANNING FOR THE END OF LIFE. THERE WILL BE AN OPEN DISCUSSION ABOUT LIVING WILLS, POWER OF ATTORNEY, GUARDIANSHIP AND DO NOT RESUSCITATE ORDERS; EXAMPLE PAPERWORK WILL BE PROVIDED! OUR SOCIAL WORKER WILL PROVIDE SUGGESTIONS FOR RESOURCES TO HELP YOU IN THE INFORMATIVE SEMINAR!

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING



General Prevention Programing

Public Health Nurses provided information on Hales Corners Health Department (HCHD) programs and local resources. Nurses conducted confidential health consultations, provided information on immunization requirements/needs, and provided education on communicable disease prevention.

Mandatory reporting and follow up on communicable diseases were provided. HCHD generated and distributed a newsletter for residents and a school newsletter, Kids' Health Connection, to Hales Corners Schools. Educational visual displays were provided in the lobbies of the Ben Hunt Center and Hales Corners Library and were updated with resources geared towards community needs.

Topics Covered in 2022 included:

- COVID-19: Reports, Updates, Guidance, and Recommendations
- Health Risks of Vaping in Youth
- Vaccination Updates
- Radon: Awareness, Health Risks, Detection
- Influenza
- Mental Health Resources and Treatment
- Foodborne Illnesses
- Substance Misuse Prevention
- Disaster Preparedness
- Home Safety
- Healthy Lifestyle Options
- Healthy Aging
- Violence Prevention
- Promoting Healthy nutrition and active living
- Child passenger safety promotion
- Weather preparedness
- Summer Safety
- Medication Safety



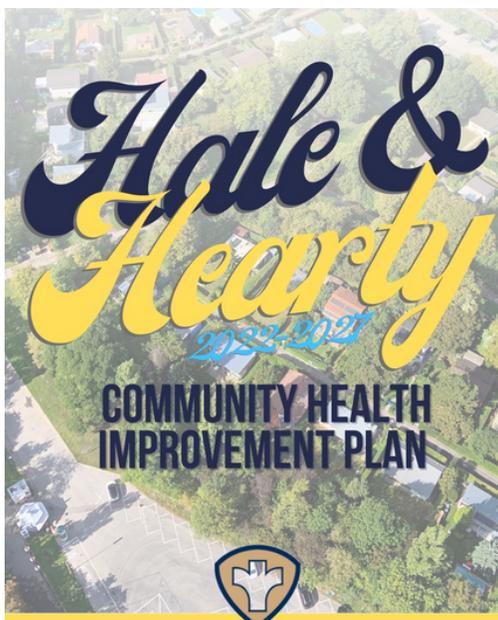
Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP)

HCHD began the 2022-year planning for our "Hale and Hearty" Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) for 2022-2027. The CHIP uses goals, strategies, and objectives to address Public Health issues within the community. HCHD used information collected from our Community Health Assessment (CHA) while using health equity as a guiding foundational capability in creating health priorities. These priority areas included:

1. Healthy Aging
2. Improve Emotional Well-Being
3. Promote Health Behaviors that Reduce Chronic Disease
4. Safe and Strong Community

This Community Health Improvement Plan is meant to guide our activities, future goals and initiatives. The intention is to improve the health and wellness of our community members.

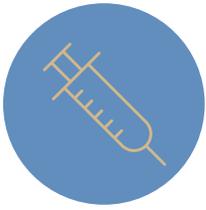
The CHIP can be accessed through our website near using the link near the center of the web page or by scanning the QR code below.



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Scan Here to View:





Immunization

HCHD provides counseling and education on adult and childhood immunizations and The Wisconsin Immunization Registry. HCHD has entered into a cooperative agreement with the Greenfield Health Department to provide immunization services to Hales Corners residents who are uninsured, underinsured or have BadgerCare, creating a cost effective approach to ensure that qualified residents receive needed immunizations.

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**Village of Hales Corners
Employee Influenza Vaccines**

Childhood Vaccine Referrals



Blood Pressure Screenings

Hales Corners Public Health Nurses provide blood pressure screenings for Hales Corners residents. Screenings were provided to Hales Corners residents by appointment, open clinics, and at our Annual Health Fair. HCHD provided Nursing students with hands on clinical experience taking blood pressures on residents in the Hales Corners Community.

Walk-in Blood Pressure Screenings Tomorrow!

Provided by the Hales Corners Health Department

FROM 2PM - 4PM!



No appointment needed!



Hales Corners Health Department
UPCOMING EVENTS
Check Out Our Upcoming Events!

June 13TH-27TH
Men's Strengthening workshop
Join us for a 2-week workshop from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm. The Health Department will hold a men's strengthening workshop to enhance men's overall health and reduce cardiovascular risk. (Cost includes resistance bands to take home)

For more info or sign up for the Men's strengthening workshop, please call the Hales Corners Health Department at 414-227-5116 or email us at HCHEALTH@HalesCornersWI.org

June 14TH & 22ND
Blood Pressure Screening Walk-in clinic
On Thursday, June 14th and Tuesday, June 22nd from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm, we will be providing free blood pressure screenings and education about healthy ways to help prevent a healthy blood pressure.

June 30TH
Evening Yoga with Annie
On Thursday, June 30th from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm, we will be providing free yoga classes to the Hales Corners (Lower level of library)

Stay informed about other future summer events coming soon!
Subscribe to our newsletter on our website, Facebook, Twitter and the Health Department to register for the summer program.

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Maternal/Child Program

HCHD created a Welcome new baby educational gift for our new Hales Corners residents and their families. Hales corners provides resources for new parents uses Maternal/Child health data to identify health priorities.

Hales Corners Health Department works with the West Allis Health Department to Provide WIC services to women and their children.



44 WIC Referrals made to the West Allis Health Department

50 Total Births in 2022





Breastfeeding

For the Child Maternal Health grant, we choose to focus on making Hales Corners a more Breastfeeding Friendly Community. With partnership with the Wisconsin Breastfeeding Coalition Hales Corners was able to make our Health Department Breastfeeding Friendly. We provided breastfeeding resources to the community and continue to reestablish relationships with our local child care centers.



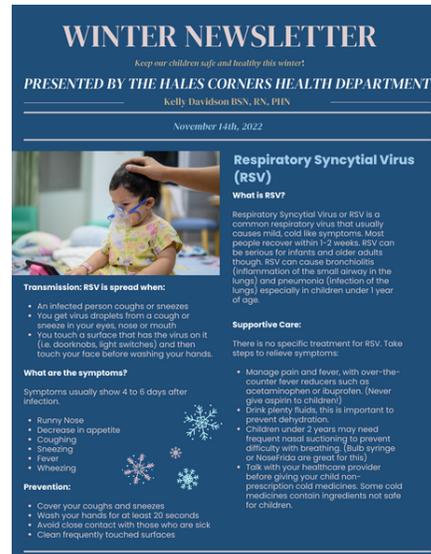
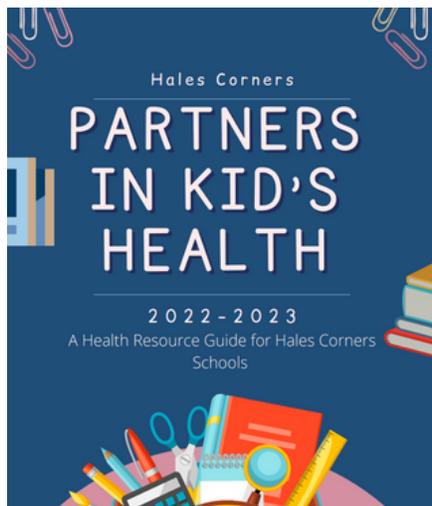
New Breastfeeding Friendly Business



School and Day Care

Services

Our Public Health Nurses provided consultation services to 6 elementary schools, 2 middle schools, 1 high school, 2-day care centers, and 1 preschool in Hales Corners. Illness surveillance and immunization reports were reviewed/reported according to Wisconsin Immunization statutes.



WINTER NEWSLETTER
Keep our children safe and healthy this winter!
PRESENTED BY THE HALES CORNERS HEALTH DEPARTMENT
 Kelly Davidson RN, RN, PHN
 November 14th, 2022

Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV)
What is RSV?
 Respiratory Syncytial Virus or RSV is a common respiratory virus that usually causes mild, cold-like symptoms. Most people recover within 1-2 weeks. RSV can be serious for infants and older adults though. RSV can cause bronchiolitis (inflammation of the small airway in the lungs) and pneumonia (infection of the lungs) especially in children under 1 year of age.

Transmission: RSV is spread when:

- An infected person coughs or sneezes
- You get virus droplets from a cough or sneeze in your eyes, nose or mouth
- You touch a surface that has the virus on it (i.e. doorknobs, light switches) and then touch your face before washing your hands.

What are the symptoms?
 Symptoms usually show 4 to 6 days after infection.

- Runny Nose
- Decrease in appetite
- Coughing
- Sneezing
- Fever
- Wheezing

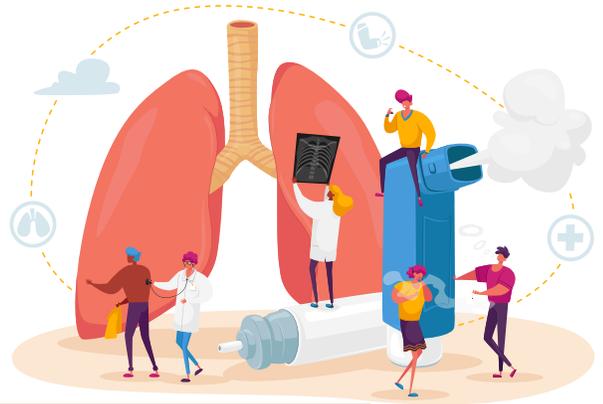
Prevention:

- Cover your coughs and sneezes
- Wash your hands for at least 20 seconds
- Avoid close contact with those who are sick
- Clean frequently touched surfaces

Supportive Care:
 There is no specific treatment for RSV. Take steps to relieve symptoms:

- Manage pain and fever, with over-the-counter fever reducers such as acetaminophen or ibuprofen. (Never give aspirin to children!)
- Drink plenty fluids this is important to prevent dehydration.
- Children under 2 years may need frequent nasal suctioning to prevent difficulty with breathing. (Bulb syringe or nasal aspirator are great for this.)
- Talk with your healthcare provider before giving your child non-prescription cold medicines. Some cold medicines contain ingredients not safe for children.

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE PREVENTION AND CONTROL



Specific communicable diseases are required to be reported to the Hales Corners Health Department (HCHD) via the Wisconsin Electronic Disease Surveillance System (WEDSS).

After a disease is reported, Public Health Nurses implement control measures which include client assessment, epidemiological investigation, case finding, health education, counselling, referral, and enforcement of Wisconsin State Statutes related to communicable disease.

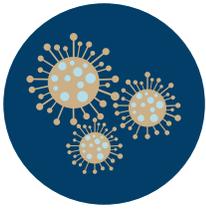
The communicable disease investigation process requires an understanding of the epidemiologic principles of disease and illness; receiving disease-related lab and healthcare provider reports; identifying disease cases and the potential exposure of others; monitoring signs, symptoms and treatment; collecting and analyzing data; containing disease through measures such as isolation and quarantine; working with other agencies including the State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; and educating and protecting the public.

The HCHD investigated all suspect, probable, and confirmed cases of communicable diseases, including food-borne, water-borne, and vector-borne diseases, outbreaks, and sexually transmitted infections.

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE DATA



2022 Disease Investigations	# of Cases
Carbapenem-Resistant Enterobacterobacteriaceae	1
Carbon Monoxide Poisoning	1
Chlamydia Trachomatis Infection	15
Coronavirus (Covid-19)	970
Cryptosporidiosis	2
Gonorrhea	2
Hepatitis B	1
Hepatitis C	2
Invasive Streptococcal Disease (Groups A & B)	3
Lyme Disease	2
Mycobacterial Disease (Non-Tuberculosis)	4
Salmonellosis	2
Syphilis	3
Total Case Investigations this Period	1008



Coronavirus (Covid-19)

Hales Corners Health Department continued to contact trace in 2022 for those under 18 years of age and those above 65 years, or those hospitalized due to Covid-19. We worked closely with our local schools, childcare centers and assisted living facilities.

Hales Corners Health Department continues to communicate closely with our local Long-term care facilities to ensure our at-risk older adult population is safe while we continue to work through the Covid-19. We kept our local schools and childcare centers up to date with new guidelines and recommendations as recommended by CDC and DHS.

Hales Corners worked with the Greenfield Health Department to ensure our Hales Corners residents had access to the Covid-19 vaccine.

42 Covid-19 Vaccine Referrals to Greenfield Health Department



2 Covid-19 Vaccinations for homebound residents.



**5 Mass Covid
Vaccination
Clinics**



**12,480 Masks
Distributed**



**3,230 At Home
Covid-19 Tests
Distributed**



**214
Covid-19
Vaccines
Administered**



**300 Covid/Flu
Kits Provided**

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH



Licensing and Inspection

The Health Department inspects and licenses certain establishments within the Village. Each licensed establishment receives one annual routine inspection and additional inspections based on findings and complaints. HCHD uses Health Space which is a web-based program which provides the Health Department the ability to record inspections on-site, monitor and track complaints, generate licenses and renewals, and create reports for program analysis. The general public is able to view Hales Corners restaurant inspection reports online. Establishment type and number of inspections in the 2022 licensing year are as follows:

55 Food establishments were licensed and inspected.

4 schools who received subsidized lunch funding received a total of 10 inspections.

5 public swimming pools received a total of 5 inspections.

20 massage establishments received 20 inspections.

5 Body Art and body piercing establishments received 5 inspections.



Animal Bites and Rabies Control

Animal bites are reported to the Police Department when there is a break in the skin. Follow-up for rabies exposure and control was conducted by the Health Department in 2022.

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Animal Bites in 2022



Human Health Hazard Control

Human Health Hazards are substances, activities or conditions that are known to have the potential to cause acute or chronic illness, injury, or death if exposure to the substance, activity or condition is not stopped.

Hales Corners Health Department follows up on reports of potential human health hazards to protect public health, safety and general welfare and to maintain and protect the environment. Health hazards which result from an unreasonable activity or use of property that interferes with the health and safety of others are the targets of our activity.

Specifically, the following conditions may constitute a human health hazard:

- Garbage and refuse
- Unfit buildings.
- Dilapidated buildings
- Insanitary public restrooms
- Animal carcasses
- Air pollution
- Noxious odors
- Unbarricaded openings
- Nuisances
- Surface water pollution
- Groundwater pollution
- Wastewater and sewage
- Accumulation of refuse

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**Human Health Hazard
Emergencies responded to**



Citizen Nuisance Complaints

HCHD inspectors respond to citizen complaints concerning general health nuisance conditions affecting the public

- Lead
- Bed bugs and other pests
- Substandard Living Conditions (such as no running water)
- Mold
- Accumulation of animal waste

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Restaurant Complaints

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Mold Complaints

CHRONIC DISEASE AND INJURY PREVENTION



Car Seat Safety

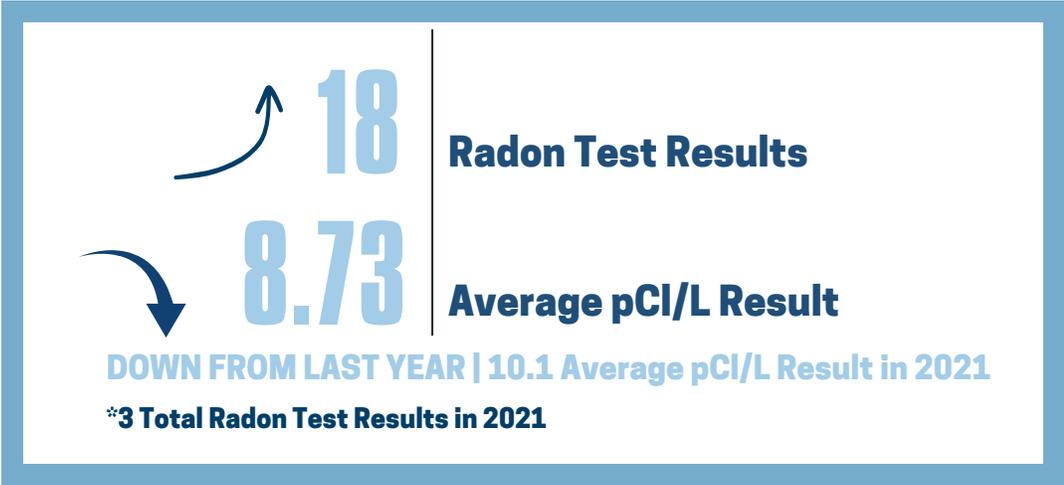
HCHD restarted its Certified Child Passenger Safety Technician (CPST) program. As of July 2022, HCHD is certified through Childrens Wisconsin's Safe Kids Wisconsin as a car seat installation site.

5 Car Seat Checks Since July 2022



Radon Safety

Radon is a naturally-occurring radioactive gas that can cause lung cancer. Radon gas is inert, colorless and odorless. Radon is naturally in the atmosphere in trace amounts. Radon gas becomes trapped indoors after it enters buildings through cracks and other holes in the foundation. Radon levels indoors should be 2 pCi/L and 4 pCi/L.





Narcan Direct Program and Fentanyl Strip Distribution

HCHD started two new services for our community to help combat the opioid crisis. HCHD partnered with the NARCAN direct program to become a certified provider in the distribution of NARCAN an opioid antagonist. HCHD began providing classes and individual appointments for NARCAN training and distribution with instructions.

25 NARCAN 2-PACK NASAL SPRAYS DISTRIBUTED

HCHD also partnered with the Fentanyl Strip Distribution program. HCHD distributes fentanyl testing strips with instructions on use.

30 FENTANYL TEST STRIPS DISTRIBUTED



Sharps Disposal

Sharps container systems provide solutions for the safe and effective containment or disposal of contaminated needles, syringes, and other sharps which are medical waste. Unsafe disposal of sharps, mixed in with regular household garbage and recyclables can result in serious disease through accidental sticks to waste haulers, neighbourhood children and general public. HCHD is in partnership with the Household Sharps Drop-Off Program.

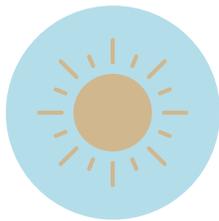
125 SHARPS CONTAINERS COLLECTED FROM HALES CORNERS RESIDENTS



Blood Lead Levels

Lead exposure is one of the most common preventable poisonings of childhood. CDC recommends testing blood for lead exposure. There are often no apparent symptoms when a child is exposed to lead. Because of this, a blood lead test is the easiest way to determine if a child has been exposed to lead.

128 lead reports from healthcare providers were reviewed and we did not have to conduct any follow-ups. There were 0 reported lead level above 5mcg/dL.



Tick Kits/Sunscreen Kits

HCHD distributed both Tick Kits and Sunscreen Kits at our Summer Events: 4th of July, Family Fun Night, and National Night Out. Tick Kits contained a DHS tick safety guide, OFF! Wipe, Alcohol Wipe, Tick Bag, and Band-Aid for safe tick removal. Sunscreen Kits contained Sun Safety Tips, travel sunscreen and SPF Chapstick,



**200 Tick
Kits
Distributed**



**200 Sun
Safety Kits
Distributed**



Social Media



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**New Facebook Followers on
the Hales Corners Health
Department page in 2022**



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