



# COUNTY OF YOLO

Health and Human Services Agency

## PUBLIC HEALTH BRANCH REPORT

March 2024

Program	August 2023	September 2023	October 2023	November 2023	December 2023	January 2024	February 2024
Medi-Cal/PHC Enrollees	63,280	61,604	60,681	59,640	N/A	N/A	N/A
WIC Participants	3,550	3,562	3,588	3,572	3,558	3,562	
CMSP Cases	2	2	2	1	0	0	0

### Mental Health Services Act

- **March MHSA Suicide Prevention and Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) Trainings**

There are a few upcoming training opportunities (with multiple dates) to learn about suicide prevention and mental health first aid. These trainings are open to all interested individuals, Yolo County staff, provider staff, community volunteers, and council members. To register for these free trainings, please e-mail your contact information to [MHSA-MHTrainings@yolocounty.org](mailto:MHSA-MHTrainings@yolocounty.org). Classes are calendared monthly and posted publicly on the Yolo County Calendar of Events [website](#).

- **Suicide Prevention in the Workplace**

This training is 2 hours in length and includes videos, group discussions/exercises and roleplays to create a better understanding of your role in suicide prevention.

- **March 21<sup>st</sup> 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.**

- **QPR (Question, Persuade, Refer)**

QPR is a 2-hour suicide prevention training. The mission is to reduce suicidal behaviors and save lives by providing innovative, practical, and proven suicide prevention training. The signs of crisis are all around us. We believe that quality education empowers all people, regardless of their background, to make a positive difference in the life of someone they know.

- **March 12<sup>th</sup> or 26<sup>th</sup> 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.**

- **Mental Health First Aid**

Youth Mental Health First Aid is designed to teach parents, family members, caregivers, teachers, school staff, peers, neighbors, health and human services workers, and other caring citizens how to help an adolescent (age 12-18) who is experiencing a mental health or addictions challenge or is in crisis. Please Note: This

training has a 2-hour, self-paced pre-work that needs to be completed before the training.

- **March 14<sup>th</sup> 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

- **Adult MHFA**

Is a course that teaches you how to identify, understand and respond to sign of mental illness and substance use disorders. The training gives you the skills you need to reach out and provide initial help and support to someone who may be developing a mental health or substance use problem or experiencing a crisis. Please Note: This training has a 2-hour, self-paced pre-work that needs to be completed before the training.

- **March 7<sup>th</sup> or 28<sup>th</sup> 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

## **Maternal, Child, and Adolescent Health Program (MCAH)**

- Comprehensive Perinatal Services Program (CPSP)
  - Yolo County has 5 CPSP providers offering services to Yolo County families
    - CommuniCare+OLE, Davis Community Clinic
    - CommuniCare+OLE, Hansen Family Health Center
    - CommuniCare+OLE, Salud Clinic
    - Capital OB/GYN
    - Woodland Healthcare/Dignity Health
  - PSC continues to provide technical assistance and perinatal resources to CPSP Providers during the program's transitional year. A Yolo CPSP Providers meeting was held January 11, 2024.
    - Please contact Tyra Fulcher ([tyra.fulcher@yolocounty.org](mailto:tyra.fulcher@yolocounty.org)) if CPSP questions.
- Fetal & Infant Mortality Review (FIMR):
  - Please contact Tyra Fulcher ([tyra.fulcher@yolocounty.org](mailto:tyra.fulcher@yolocounty.org)) for FIMR reported cases.
  - <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CFH/DMCAH/FIMR/Pages/default.aspx>
- Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS):
  - Please contact Tyra Fulcher ([tyra.fulcher@yolocounty.org](mailto:tyra.fulcher@yolocounty.org)) for SIDS reported cases.

- <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CFH/DMCAH/SIDS/Pages/default.aspx>
- Nurse Home Visiting (NHV) and Adolescent Parenting Program (APP):
  - The NHV and APP staff attended the Partnership Health Plan presentation “Shuttering of Maternity Care Centers in Northern California” on February 12<sup>th</sup> and completed and “Motivational Interview” Training on February 14<sup>th</sup>.
  - NHV and APP continues to provide case management services to women, infant, children, and the adolescent population through referrals from partner agencies.
  - For referral and program eligibility questions, please contact: [gaby.perez@yolocounty.org](mailto:gaby.perez@yolocounty.org)

## Health Equity and Healthy Communities

- CalFresh Healthy Living continues their work to revitalize school gardens at three sites in Woodland in partnership with Yolo Farm to Fork. In February there was a successful afterschool garden club event at Whitehead Elementary school in Woodland.
- The CalFresh Healthy Living Program conducted a food demonstration at UC Davis on 2/28, in partnership with the Aggie Compass Basic Needs Center and Fruit & Veggie Up!, provided kale salad recipe samples and promoted nutrition class in March
- The Healthy Yolo Team developed infographic-focused CHIP overview sheets for the public to get an overview of CHIP and posted them to the Healthy Yolo website 2/16/2
- The Farmworker Assessment project is nearing the end, with 295/300 Surveys completed, 9/10 Focus Groups completed. The survey portion of this project will complete in early March.
- HCI staff attended several trainings, including the CACHI Samar attended CACHI backbone conference 2/7 in Sacramento, and the All of US Trauma-informed Leadership training hosted virtually by CDPH
- Oral Health program staff trained cohort of Sac State nursing students on 2/1 to deliver oral health education in Woodland elementary schools in spring 2024;
- The Oral Health Program provided 175 oral health kits and 150 fluoride varnishes to CommuniCare+OLE for their VDH programming at Esparto and Riverbank elementary schools and attended Almond Festival pre-event Family Fun Day in Esparto on 2/24 and distributed oral health supplies to about 100 participants.
- The Healthy Yolo team met with leaders from several agencies including CommuniCare, YCOE, HEC, CYF Branch, First5, YCCA and presented to Health Council on 2/8 to share and get feedback on the focus area of addressing Social Determinants of Health for families with young children to support optimal Kindergarten readiness as a milestone indicator of health and wellbeing.

## Career Ladder Grant/Recent Trainings

Beginning in August 2023 PHB did an All Staff in person activity. Staff broke into small groups to develop and propose awards for the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual PHB Awards. All together about 15 awards were proposed on that day. Over the Fall of 2023 those awards were further refined with the Branch Leadership Team ultimately ending up with 6 awards. Nominations for these 6 awards were accepted from October – November 2023 from all staff for all awards. Voting ran from December 2023 to January 2024. Staff at all levels were able to vote on 4 awards, BLT selected 1, and the Branch Director and Health Officer selected one. The 1<sup>st</sup> Annual PHB Awards Ceremony was held on February 14<sup>th</sup>. At the awards ceremony staff who worked for any public

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health program throughout the pandemic received a certificate of recognition and special COVID pin, along with SPIRIT Award winners and nominees were celebrated. Below are the awards along with their criteria. Data from our 1<sup>st</sup> awards cycle: 21 unique nominators, 40 unique individuals were nominated from 19 different programs, 78/91 PHB staff voted. Staff were allowed to nominate themselves and their teams.

1. Individual Performance Award
  - Awarded to those who excel at their individual assignments and have moved the needle towards achieving our branch's goals.
  - They seek out answers, overcome barriers and challenges, and solicit feedback.
  - Recognition for undertaking a specific task of great difficult and/or important.
  - Voted on by all staff
  
2. Behind the Scenes Award
  - Without this person, things would not get accomplished
  - They keep us on track, and keep things moving forward
  - This person may or may not be public facing and their work is integral to our programs.
  - A strong nomination should include a specific project or example(s) demonstrating clear ways this nominee is helping to get things done beyond the normal level of helpfulness.
  - Voted on by all staff
  
3. Peanut Butter & Jelly Teamwork Award
  - Must be a minimum of 2 people
  - Nominees may have demonstrated the utilization of teamwork to complete a common goal or project as a short-term team, AND/OR
    - i. This team works together regularly, and highlights through effective teamwork and collaboration we are better together.
  - Voted on by all staff
  
4. Adriana Sanchez Award
  - Demonstrates kindness and a positive influence towards staff, clients and the community.
  - Includes others in the workplace and fosters a welcoming and supportive environment for staff and clients, while inspiring others to do the same.
  - Consistently provides a high level of customer service
  - Voted on by all staff
  
5. Rising Star Award
  - First 5 years of public health career at Yolo County Public Health
  - Excelling in their assigned role
  - Demonstrating understanding and a desire to learn about public health
  - Selected by the Branch Leadership Team
  
6. Excellence in Leadership Award
  - Current employee of the Public Health Branch
  - Demonstrated leadership on a public health issues or project
  - Made appositive impact on a public health outcome
  - Selected by Public Health Director and Health Officer

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- Completed 4 Mission/Vision/Values Workshops from Nov – January and will roll out new M/V/V to All Staff at March PHB All Staff.
- Began Objectives and Key Results training in February with Module 1. Module 2 will be in March and the last Module will be in April. If staff attend all 3 of the trainings not only will they be able to start developing OKRs which will inform the future Strategic Plan, but the staff will also become a Certified OKR Resume Builder.
- PHB developed and rolled out a PHB Training Academy which includes:
  - Upcoming training, development and growth opportunities
  - Public Health focused asynchronous trainings
  - General business skill (ex. Presentations and excel)
  - Retirement and estate planning
- Since December staff have had the opportunity to unlock and learn about their Full34 for StrengthsFinder, rather than just their Top 5. In March we are planning on opening up coaching sessions for staff interested in learning about how to leverage their strengths for growth and development!
  - Program Managers had the opportunity to schedule team building sessions through a Strengths lens over the coming months.

## Administration

### Epidemiology and Data Unit

- Data/analytics requests:
  - Provided Valley Fever updates for Assemblymember Aguiar-Curry's office
  - Provided Immunization Team with COVID vaccination data for the Vaccine Equity grant progress report.
  - Provided Immunization Team with eligibility data for the annual VFC and 317/VFA program recertifications.
  - Provided Brian with communicable disease incidence data for the Future of Public Health grant progress report
  - Conducted medical record review of approximately 450 syphilis cases since 2020 to identify risk factors for contracting syphilis for the Syphilis Response Plan
  - Provided Kanat with West Sacramento Educational Attainment data to compare with proportions from Yolo County, California, and the United States.
- Routine reports
  - Submitted the quarterly LTCF outbreak report.
  - Supported Immunization Team with their fall flu/COVID clinics and weekly report on vaccines administered and population served.
  - Supported MCAH advisory board review of areas of improvement to focus on within the Yolo MCAH population
  - Begun Yolo ARPE reports for annual submission to the state
- Support for Infectious Disease Control programs
  - Continuing to support LTCF outbreak teams with outbreak tracking and report generation for COVID and influenza outbreaks.

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- Continuing to support Primary Prevention by creating reporting features (current inventory totals by item and month and distribution totals) within the inventory tracking system we developed for them.
  - Medical records supported CD and LTCF teams by processing 314 faxed reports and submitting 42 medical record requests.
  - Major progress on coordinating with the UC Davis Cocci lab to troubleshoot CalREDIE ELR reporting issues for Valley Fever labs, improve their collection of necessary reporting items, and eliminate incorrect reporting of non-human lab results as human cases.
  - Tracking inadequacy of new Kaiser communicable disease reporting and collaborating to improve reporting reliability and reduce both missing data and unreported diseases.
  - Drafting protocol and standard work for measles contact investigation and monitoring using CalCONNECT for CD team.
- Other ongoing projects
    - Completed geocoding 797 place of death locations for 2022 and 2023 death certificates.
    - Continued maintenance of the integrity of state CAIR and CalREDIE databases with 37 CalREDIE master patient index merges and 73 CAIR account merges.
    - Completed comparison of population databases (ACS, Decennial, Department of Finance, and Vintage ACS) files to determine most reliable data source for future projects requiring data analysis of rates.
    - Assessing gaps in vaccine reporting in CAIR for Yolo County SNFs.
- Other news
    - Kacie and Allison were both nominated for individual Public Health Awards.
    - Julian and Justin both received awards at the first Public Health Awards ceremony.

### Upcoming HHSA Meetings & Events

DATE	TIME	EVENT
April 11	9:00 AM	<a href="#">Health Council</a>
April 17	8:30 AM	<a href="#">MCAH Advisory Board</a>