



COUNTY OF YOLO

Health and Human Services Agency

PUBLIC HEALTH BRANCH REPORT

November 2024

Program	May 2024	June 2024	July 2024	August 2024	September 2024	October 2024
Medi-Cal/PHC Enrollees	53,277	52,800	52,174	51,735	51,567	51,426
WIC Participants	3,688	3,651	3,678	3,663	3,621	3,608
CMSP Cases	0	1	1	1	2	2

Mental Health Services Act

The Yolo County **Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Draft Annual Update FY 2024-2025** has been posted to the MHSA page of the Yolo County website, at www.yolocounty.org/mhsa. This draft is available for public comment through Friday November 29, 2024.

- Please submit your online or written comments using the **MHSA 30-Day Public Comment Form** found at: www.yolocounty.org/mhsa
- A Public Hearing regarding the Draft Annual Update will be held by the Yolo County Local Mental Health Board on Wednesday December 4, 2024, at 6:00 PM. Information will be published in advance of the meeting and listed on the Local Mental Health Board event listing found [here](#).

We would request that partners and community stakeholders promote the review of the draft plan and participation by posting and sharing with others.

Thank you for your interest in Yolo County's Mental Health Services Act Community Planning Process!

Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)

- Beginning October 1, 2024, WIC received a small increase in Caseload funding and a cost-of-living adjustment for this federal fiscal year. We are close to filling 2 of our staff vacancies and participation is holding steady entering into the Holiday season.
- Construction is complete for our new WIC space in the Gonzales building, and we are in the midst of deploying furniture, signage and computers. We hope to have the space complete

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and ready for business by the end of the year and stay tuned for an invitation to walk through the new space.

- The WIC clinic site in Esparto has moved from the public library to the new RISE building at 17340 Yolo Ave, Esparto. We are scheduled to begin in person services at the new site November 8, 2024, and plan to have in person services there twice a month starting in January 2025. In preparation for the move, we worked with RISE to communicate to the Esparto community about the location change for WIC. Notices were also placed at the Esparto library. In addition to in-person services, WIC will continue to offer flexibility of phone appointments for clients who might have hardship with in person visits. We are hoping that being co-located with other services in the community may bring in more clients to WIC.
- Clients can reach us regarding services at all our locations by calling 530-666-8445 or texting 1-888-412-4695.
- WIC's Support for Premature Babies During National Prematurity Awareness Month: November is National Prematurity Awareness Month, focused on raising awareness about the challenges babies born before 37 weeks of gestation face. Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) supports premature babies by providing access to nutritious foods, breast milk, infant formula, and healthcare resources essential for their growth and development. WIC also connects families with lactation consultants and healthcare providers to ensure premature infants get proper care and nutrition. This month, March of Dimes and other organizations work together to highlight the importance of supporting preterm babies. World Prematurity Day on November 17th brings global attention to the issue. Through these efforts, WIC helps improve outcomes for premature infants and their families across the United States.
- Breastfeeding Coalition Annual Milk Drive – San Jose Milk Bank Partnership: The Breastfeeding Coalition is excited to announce its partnership with the San Jose Milk Bank for the Annual Milk Drive. This year, the Welcome Baby Program will host the milk drive at 215 W Beamer St, Woodland, CA 95695, on December 16. This initiative supports families in need of human milk and encourages the community to contribute by donating milk. Human milk donations primarily benefit premature infants, medically fragile babies, and those whose mothers are unable to produce sufficient milk. These vulnerable infants greatly benefit from donor milk's nutritional and immune-boosting properties, helping them thrive and grow.
- Families interested in donating human milk can rest assured that the process is simple and safe. You can begin by filling out the screening form available through the San Jose Milk Bank website <https://camilkbank.org/donate-milk/> or by calling 1-877-375-6645 and selecting option 3 for assistance.
- If you are interested in participating or have questions, please contact Lizeth Betancourt at lizeth.betancourt@yolocounty.org.
- The Annual Milk Drive is a success because of the collective effort of our community. Together, we can provide essential support to infants in need. Your participation matters.

Maternal, Child, and Adolescent Health Program (MCAH)

- **Comprehensive Perinatal Services Program (CPSP):**
 - Yolo County has 5 CPSP providers offering services to Yolo County families.
 - Yolo County Provider sites offering CPSP services:
 - CommuniCare+OLE, Davis Community Clinic

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- CommuniCare+OLE, Hansen Family Health Center
 - CommuniCare+OLE, Salud Clinic
 - Capital OB/GYN
 - Woodland Healthcare/Dignity Health
- PSC continues to provide Perinatal Resources to local Providers.
- Please contact Tyra Fulcher (Tyra.Fulcher@yolocounty.gov) for CPSP or Perinatal Services related questions.
- **Fetal & Infant Mortality Review (FIMR):**
 - Please contact Tyra Fulcher (Tyra.Fulcher@yolocounty.gov) for FIMR reported cases.
 - <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CFH/DMCAH/FIMR/Pages/default.aspx>
- **Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS):**
 - October is recognized as SIDS Awareness Month. Community Partners were provided with information and educational tools regarding Safe to Sleep practices for infants 12 months of age and younger.
 - Safe Sleep for Babies Resources
 - [Safe Sleep for Babies](#)
 - [Back to Sleep, Tummy to Play](#)
 - [Safe to Sleep](#)
 - SIDS Coordinator attended the 43rd Annual SIDS/SUID conference, The Arc of Healing, October 15 & 16th.
 - Please contact Tyra Fulcher (Tyra.Fulcher@yolocounty.gov) 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):**
 - On October 3rd the NHV and APP Case Managers visited these provider/agency/community sites: Woodland Memorial Hospital/Dignity, Sutter Davis Hospital – Birthing Center; UC Davis Family Practice Clinic; UC Davis Pediatrics Clinic; Dignity Family Medicine Clinic; Dignity Health Clinic and Northern Valley Indian Health (NVIH), Cesar Chavez School; Cache Creek School; Yolo Library; Beamer Homeless Shelter; Socami Hispanic Store; El Torito Meat Market; Case Del Sol – Mobile Home Residency; Fourth & Hope; La Pasadita Hispanic Store; Cash Easy; Michel Labor Services and Woodland Joint Unified School District.
 - NHV and APP staff attended the 43rd Annual SIDS Conference on October 16th.
 - 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

Health Equity and Healthy Communities

- The Hannah and Herbert Bauer Community Garden got a facelift in October when 15 AmeriCorp volunteers came for a full day to weed and mulch the garden. This has become an annual tradition for AmeriCorps and the garden, starting back in 2014. The Public Health Garden staff are grateful for the AmeriCorps volunteer efforts to keep the garden looking great.

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- On 10/18/24 the Farmworker Coordinator hosted a presentation to farmworkers who participated in the 2024 Yolo County HHSA Farmworker Assessment to share the findings and show appreciation for the farm workers. 55 farm workers and their children attended, and the Service Center Ag Coordinator also attended to update the audience on the farmworker resource available through that branch. Special thanks to the Oral Health and CalFresh Healthy Living team staff who provided spa water supplies to make delicious fruit and her infused waters, and who provided child care to the young children during the event.
- The Oral Health Program's school screening initiative was at its peak in October, with screenings for all K, 3rd and 5th grades at Cesar Chavez, Korematsu, Montgomery, Pioneer, and Birch Elementary in October. In addition to getting an oral health screening, students also receive a note home to parents to indicate any decay issues and follow up contact to students' homes is made for students who demonstrate having severe decay and need urgent dental care. Each participant also receives an oral health kit with a toothbrush, floss, and toothpaste.
- The CalFresh Healthy Living Nutrition Education program has been fostering new relationships in low-income schools across the county to provide nutrition education and garden-based nutrition education to students. This month the team taught nutrition lessons to 12 classrooms of varying grades at Elkhorn and Westfield Elementary schools in West Sacramento, reaching about 300 students.
- The Healthy Yolo team, which leads implementation of the Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) is working with the Yolo County Office of Education (YCOE) to identify areas of common needs based on each team's respective Needs Assessments and intervention strategy planning so that the work of the two efforts can synergize and be complimentary and not work in parallel. Meetings to identify the next steps in partnering and what areas of need to collectively embark on working together toward addressing are ongoing.

Infectious Disease Control

Immunizations:

- Influenza vaccine season was in full swing in October, with 229 doses of flu vaccine administered in October! Public Health staff, with extra vaccination support from CSUS Sacramento Nursing students, held flu vaccine clinics at:
 - Esparto, October 3: 25 doses administered
 - Winters, October 7: 65 doses administered
 - West Sacramento, October 17: 58 doses administered
 - Woodland, October 24: 60 flu doses administered, 12 COVID doses administered
- Clinics in November will be held at the following locations and dates. Details on location and hours can be found on the Yolo County website:
 - Knights Landing: November 1
 - Davis: November 7
 - Woodland: November 14
 - West Sacramento: November 21
 - Davis: December 5

Wellness Vending Machines Distributed Products

	Masks (2 masks per)	COVID-19 Test Kits (1 test per)	Emergency Contraceptives (1 dose per)	STI Prevention Kits Inner (2 condoms/lube per)	STI Prevention Kits Outer (4 condoms/lube per)	STI Prevention Kits Outer XL (4 condoms/lube per)	Repellent (4 wipes per)	Naloxone (2 doses per)	Fentanyl Test Strips (5 per)	Menstrual Kits/Tampons (5 per)	Menstrual Kits: Maxi Pads (5 per)	Oral Health Kit (1 water bottle, Toothbrush, Toothpaste)	Socks (1 Pair Socks)
Winters	57	300	38	25	33	35	49	27	20	11	15	30	30
West Sacramento	160	413	50	40	50	50	104	34	104	13	15	30	30
Esparto	60	293	5*	5*	5*	5*	80	23	16	10	12	30	30
Davis	130	410	50	18	44	42	104	34	75	13	15	30	30
Woodland	<i>Offline - Warranty Repairs Completed - Operational as of 11/01/2024</i>												
Total Dispensed October	407	1416	143	88	134	132	337	118	215	47	57	120	120

Quantities reflected by total packages of each offering. Zero (0) denotes that no additional resources were added and quantities remained full.

- Machines are restocked weekly.
- Residents are reminded to take only the supplies urgently needed and consider the priority users for this program are the uninsured/underinsured, people experiencing homelessness, people who use drugs or may witness an overdose, and people with limited agency and access to health supplies.
- All resources are available for purchase through local retailers and many items are available FREE through medical insurance/providers. And for a limited time at COVIDtests.gov (effective 09/26/24)
- Reminder: When vending Naloxone residents should complete and report that training has been completed and report any reversals. QR codes for training and reversal reporting are included on the packaging and on a flyer on the side of each machine.
- *Esparto STI Prevention supplies and Emergency Contraception are distributed inside the library via no contact pick up.
- Community Distributions:
 - HHS TB Control Program: (100) KN-90 Masks; (10) COVID-19 Test kits
 - HHS Nurse Home Visiting Program: (15) COVID-19 Test kits; (44) Repellent Wipes.
 - HHS Winters Service Centers: (50) COVID-19 Test Kits
 - HHS Oral Health: (10) COVID -19 Test Kits

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- Fourth and Hope: (34) Outer/Male XL condoms; (22) Outer/Male Condoms; (100) Water based lubricant; (13) Emergency Contraception; (20) Maxi Pads; (20) Tampons.
- Maintenance Update: The Woodland Vending Machine is operational and has been moved to its temporary location in the HHSA Woodland (Gonzales bldg.) Lobby, as of 11/01/2024. We are working to find a permanent home outside of the Hansen Clinic.
- Each week the machines are stocked as follows **Starred items currently available at Esparto library circulation desk:*
 - (86) COVID-19 Test kits
 - (36) Masks
 - (10) Emergency Contraceptives*
 - (10) each Inner, Outer, Outer XL STI Prevention Kits*
 - (24) Insect Repellant
 - (10) Naloxone
 - (10) Menstrual Kits – Tampons
 - (10) Menstrual Kits - Maxi Pads
 - (24) Fentanyl Test Strips
 - Oral Health Kits - *Available through 10/11/2024*
 - (10) pairs of Socks
- Community Questions? Suggest new products, report suspicious activity, or seek more information about products/program by completing the [Vending Machine Inquiry Survey](#).

Community Support & Collaboration:

- Healthy Schools Collaborative (HSC) was held on 10/02/2024. 28 partners attended and heard school/childcare updates from Public Health Infectious Disease and an overview of Youth Substance Use including a feature from Mary Yung, representing the CommuniCare+OLE Youth Substance Use program. The November meeting will be on 11/06/2024 in person with a focus topic of Immunizations.

Sexually Transmitted Infection Prevention:

- Take Me Home pilot update: (12) residents requested test kits this month, and (1) new results report received. The county pilot allocation of STI kits has been depleted, going forward only HIV testing will be available through the Federal version of the Take Me Home program. Residents may request HIV tests at: www.takemehome.org
- HIV PrEP AP Enrollment is coming soon to Yolo Public Health. Yolo County enrollment activities are due to launch in the next 6-8 weeks.
- Fourth and Hope hosted Margarita Ortiz, the HHSA Primary Prevention STI Specialist, to present an STI overview for over 30 persons residents and staff. Participants were actively engaged and were provided safe sex resources after the presentation.
- Yolo County and Sacramento County partnered with the California Prevention Training Center (CAPTC) to host a STI Clinical Update on Syphilis at the Sierra Health Foundation. Clinicians were able to earn CMEs. Participants received an overview of current syphilis diagnosis, screening, and treatment guidelines; epidemiological updates on the state of syphilis in Yolo & Sacramento; and a panel discussion around wrap-around services for pregnant people with or at risk for syphilis.

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- In October, Communicable Disease Investigators received reports of the following sexually transmitted infections:
 - 90 chlamydia
 - 31 gonorrhea
 - 19 syphilis
- **Tuberculosis:** Yolo County received less than 11 reports of suspect or confirmed Tuberculosis (TB) in October. The TB Public Health Nurse, in cooperation with the Health Officer and Sacramento County, continue to manage active cases reported in previous months.
- **Outbreaks:** Communicable Disease Investigators monitored new and ongoing outbreaks of COVID-19 and gastrointestinal illness in long-term care facilities and/or schools.
- **Avian Influenza:** The team continues to stay abreast of guidance and situational updates from the CDC and CDPH. There have been no reports of H5N1 in dairy cattle or commercial poultry in Yolo, however in October H5N1 virus was detected in Sacramento County wastewater. To date, there have been 20 human cases of H5N1 in California, nearly all of whom have dairy cattle exposure.
- **Other reportable communicable diseases:** Excluding cases of COVID-19 and STIs, Yolo County received eLRs or CMRs for the following diseases in October. Staff review case reports and determine if cases are new (ruling out previously reported cases, out of jurisdiction, and unconfirmed), and determine if reports meet case definitions. When case definition is met, investigators verify treatment, and interview cases and their contacts as appropriate. In addition to new reports, CD staff carry a case load of previously reported cases that require ongoing investigation to ensure appropriate treatment. *Please note that numbers represent reports, not confirmed cases. Reports of priority conditions are investigated to know if cases are new or previously reported, and to determine if cases meet criteria for confirmation as a case:*
 - Less than 11 chikungunya virus
 - Less than 11 coccidioidomycosis
 - Less than 11 dengue virus
 - 27 Enteric diseases (campylobacteriosis, giardiasis, STEC, shigellosis)
 - 15 chronic hepatitis B
 - 43 chronic hepatitis C
 - Less than 11 Lyme disease
 - Less than 11 Q Fever
 - Less than 11 West Nile virus

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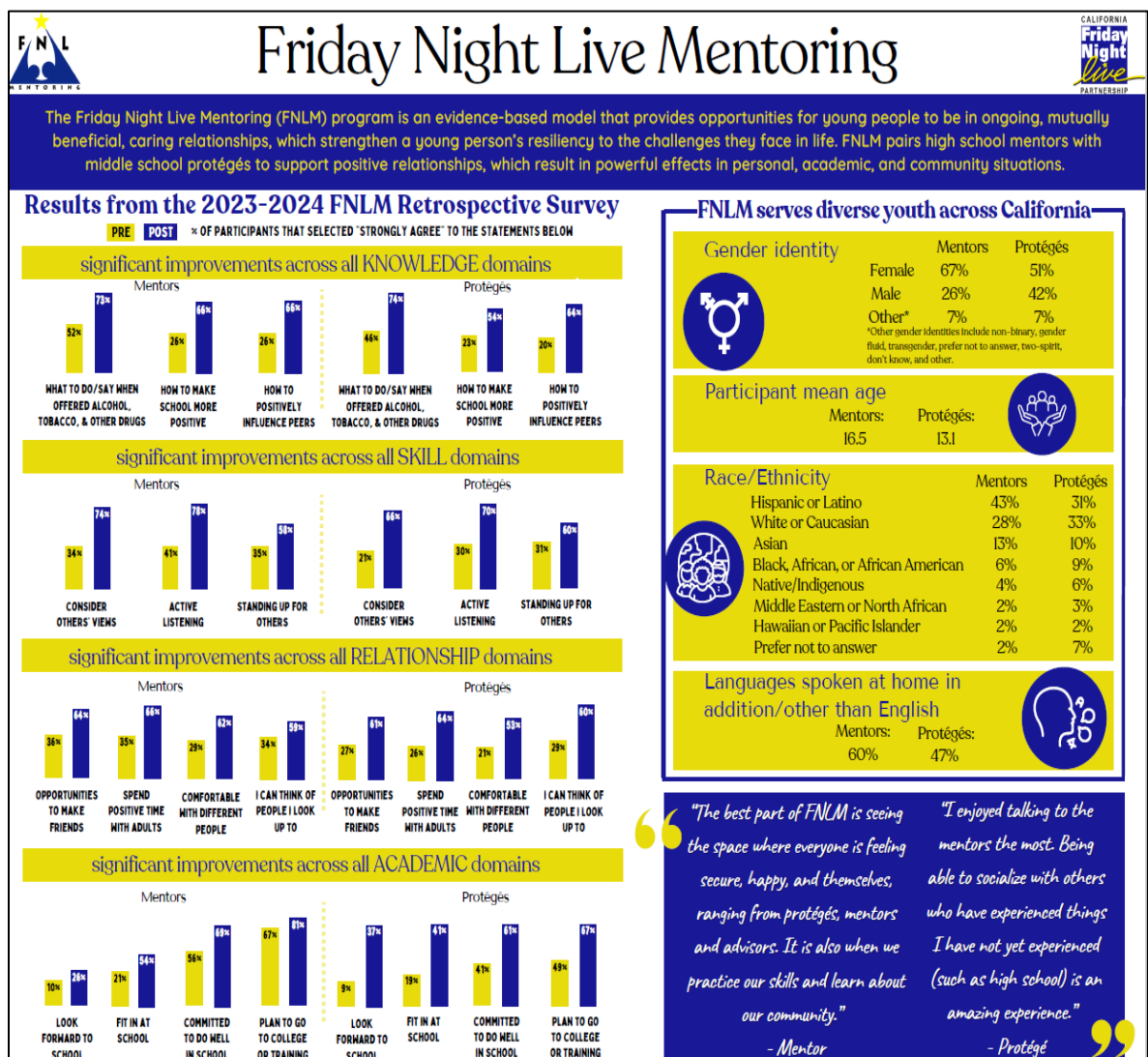
- Tobacco Prevention
 - The Tobacco Prevention Program was invited by the Winters City Council to deliver a presentation on the advantages of implementing a smoke-free outdoors ordinance. This initiative stemmed from a series of public comments made by the Tobacco Coalition workgroup during the city council meeting in September.
 - At the meeting held on October 1st, Steven Jensen articulated the benefits of expanding the current smoke-free park ordinance, identifying potential areas for

inclusion such as sidewalks, walking paths, outdoor dining areas, public events, and parking lots. While the City Council was unable to comment on the presentation at that time, they expressed interest in revisiting the topic with proposed policy language in the future.

- After the meeting, members of the workgroup and relevant staff met to debrief and outline the following steps. The workgroup intends to arrange educational meetings with each council member to facilitate further discussion.
- Tobacco Enforcement
 - Experienced a transition of staff in October. Several tobacco retailers are in the middle of their revocation period due to violations of tobacco laws.
 - One store has finished its revocation period and has purchased a new TRL.
 - Two stores are currently in their revocation period.
 - One store has appealed against the revocation and is waiting for a hearing.
- Traffic Safety Programs
 - October marked the beginning of the 2024 – 2025 grant cycle for the two Traffic Safety programs – the Bike and Pedestrian Safety and the Car Seat Safety Program. The beginning of the new grant cycle is off to a successful start. Program staff conducted educational presentations and attended a variety of community events which are listed below.
 - Gave a bike safety presentation at Fourth and Hope
 - Participated in Winters Joint Unified School District's National Walk and Roll to School Day
 - Conducted a bike safety and maintenance workshop at Fourth and Hope
 - Tabled at Esparto Elementary's Fall Festival
 - Hosted a helmet inspection and distribution station at the Davis Zombie Bike Parade Festival
 - Conducted an educational event on car seats and booster seats at Maxwell Elementary School and Prairie Elementary School. Program staff measured the height and weight of children and provided recommendations for appropriate car seats based on these measurements.
 - Conducted a Child Safety Seat Education Class: Child Passenger Safety Class for Professionals Transporting Children
 - Attended Winters High School College and Career Fair
 - Program staff submitted the performance report for the 2023-2024 grants and the final evaluation, proudly recognizing the vital impact of their efforts during the last grant cycle.
 - Issued two press releases, one related to National Pedestrian Safety Month and the other about traffic safety on Halloween.



- Substance Use Prevention Programs and Friday Night Live
 - Below is a summary infographic for 2023-2024 Friday Night Live Mentoring (FNLM) programs retrospective survey results. The results show students that participated in FNLM have significant improvements in the areas of academics, knowledge, skill-building and relationship building.



Administration

- Data/analytics requests:
 - Completed Human Development Index (HDI) update for 2020 and 2022 by county, race/ethnicity and census tract, with updated educational attainment data, median income to the UC Davis census tract areas, and county level comparisons within CA comparison data for other CA counties, the state, and the US.
 - Updated the West Capitol Corridor (WCC) quicksheet to include changes requested by Supervisor Villegas, Nolan, and Brian.
 - Presented on local syphilis epidemiology to the STI Clinical Update - Sacramento & Yolo Counties: Congenital Syphilis Symposium on October 28th.
 - Completed edits to Maternal Child and Adolescent Health (MCAH) presentation for the Board of Supervisors that highlighted areas of interest in the MCAH population for the upcoming years.
- Support for Infectious Disease Control programs:
 - Continuing to support LTCF outbreak teams with outbreak tracking, closure review and report generation for COVID and influenza outbreaks.
 - Assisted the Communicable Disease team with coordinating specimen transport to state public health labs.
 - Assisted the Immunization team with running seasonal flu clinics.
 - Assisting the Immunization team with data entry of vaccine records into CAIR and weekly reports.
 - Assisted the Primary Prevention team by identifying all providers diagnosing STIs for Yolo County residents or prescribing pre-exposure prophylaxis within the last year for PPIR outreach efforts.
 - Assisted the Primary Prevention team by developing a new version of the inventory tracker to go live November 1.
 - Medical records supported CD and LTCF teams by processing 177 faxed reports comprising 1,359 pages and submitting 95 initial and 96 follow-up medical record requests.
 - Continuing to track inadequacy of new Kaiser communicable disease reporting and collaborating to improve reporting reliability and reduce both missing data and unreported diseases.
- Other ongoing projects:
 - Continued medical record reviews for Yolo County syphilis cases.
 - Continued maintenance of the integrity of state CAIR and CalREDIE databases with 26 CalREDIE master patient index merges and 10 CAIR account merges.
 - Continued support for and development of a data tracker for the Jail Health program.

Upcoming HHSA Meetings & Events

DATE	TIME	EVENT
11/14/2024	9:00 AM	Health Council
11/20/2024	8:30 AM	MCAH Advisory Board
12/04/2024	6:00 PM	Local Mental Health Board