



February 1, 2022

Assembly Health Policy Committee

*Please note: all report outs are related to December program activities unless otherwise noted.
This is due to the timing of this meeting.*

Director's Office

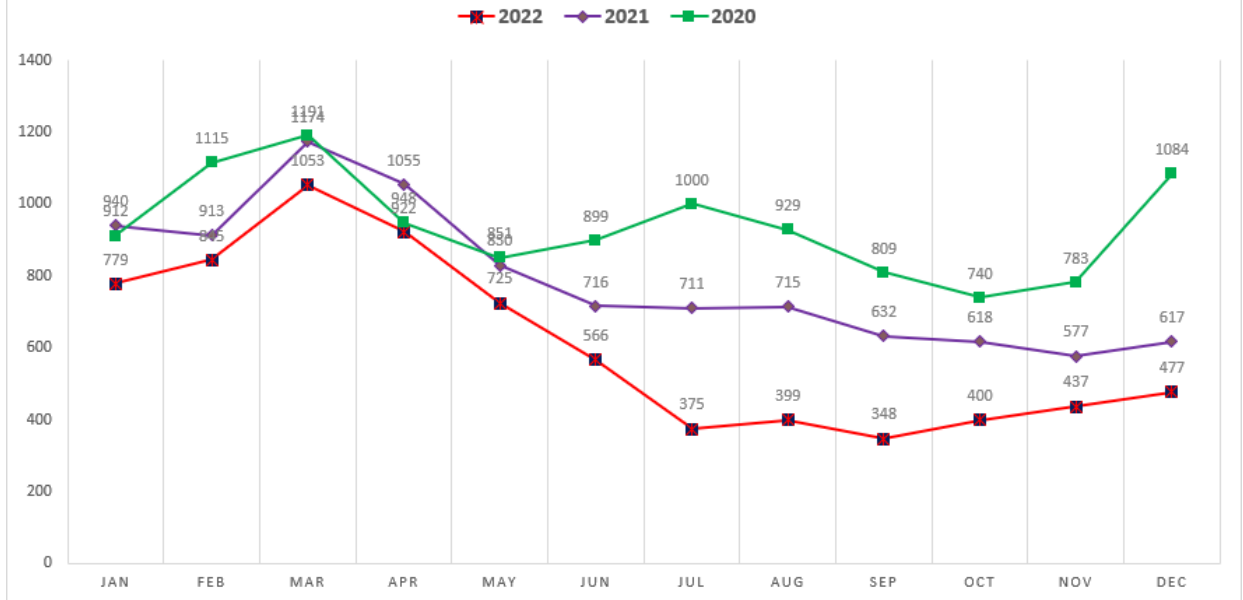
- The primary focus continues to be the development and placement of advertising. The Environmental Health Plug@20 campaign and Alcohol Tax ACEs Prevention Grant advertising campaigns are underway. Development of advertising campaigns promoting teen dating violence awareness, sexual assault awareness, tuberculosis prevention, WIC enrollment, and syphilis testing are underway.
- The Get Moving Anchorage campaign continued with the "Winter Sprinter" challenge for December, which encouraged participants to submit photos of outdoor adventures. December saw 7 participants. Challenges can be submitted online through our form library: <https://forms.anchoragepublichealth.com/get-moving/>. The January challenge will focus on financial wellbeing.
- Additional Anchorage Opioid Taskforce took place in early December. The project is now paused pending receipt of the opioid settlement funding needed to fund the taskforce.

Administration Division

Anchorage Safety Center/Patrol (ASC/P): *Respond to and provide safe shelter for individuals who are incapacitated by substance misuse 365 days per year/24 hours per day*

- Intakes: 437
- Responded to calls: 983
- Transported: 320
- Unduplicated clients: 284

SEASONAL USE - INTAKES PER MONTH



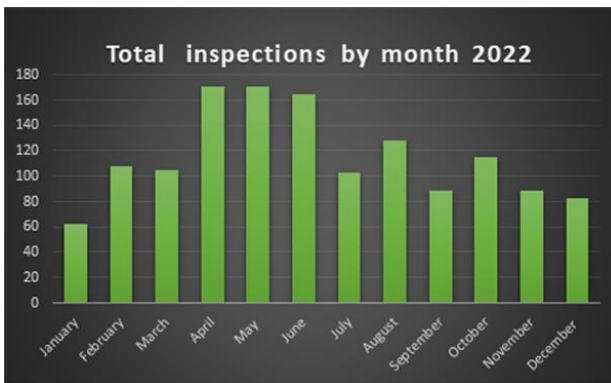
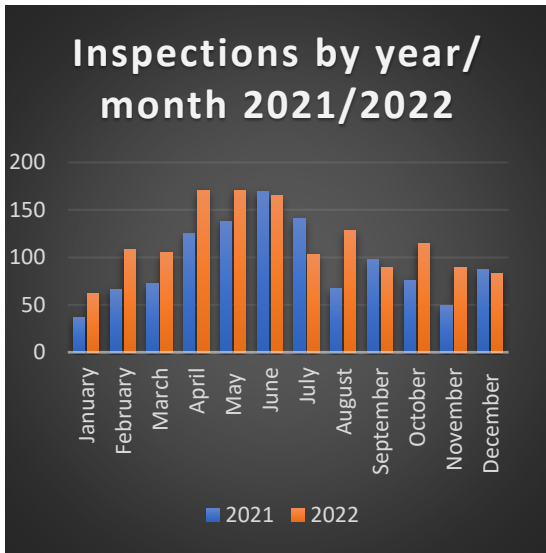
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
2022	779	845	1053	922	725	566	375	399	348	400	437	477
2021	940	913	1174	1055	830	716	711	715	632	618	577	617
2020	912	1115	1191	948	851	899	1000	929	809	740	783	1084

Public Health Division

Environmental Health Services (EH):

- The EH Program addressed 73 Complaints in December.
- Performed 83 inspections.
- Made 545 Customer Service contacts.
- Renewed 46 Liquor and Marijuana retail licenses.
- Responded to four food borne illness reports.
- Completed six and worked two plan reviews.
- Issued 49 permits.
- Administered seven Food Worker Cards.

The chart below is an indicator that in-person events and inspections are starting to get back to normal numbers after COVID closures in 2020 and to some extent in 2021.



Women, Infants & Children Program (WIC):

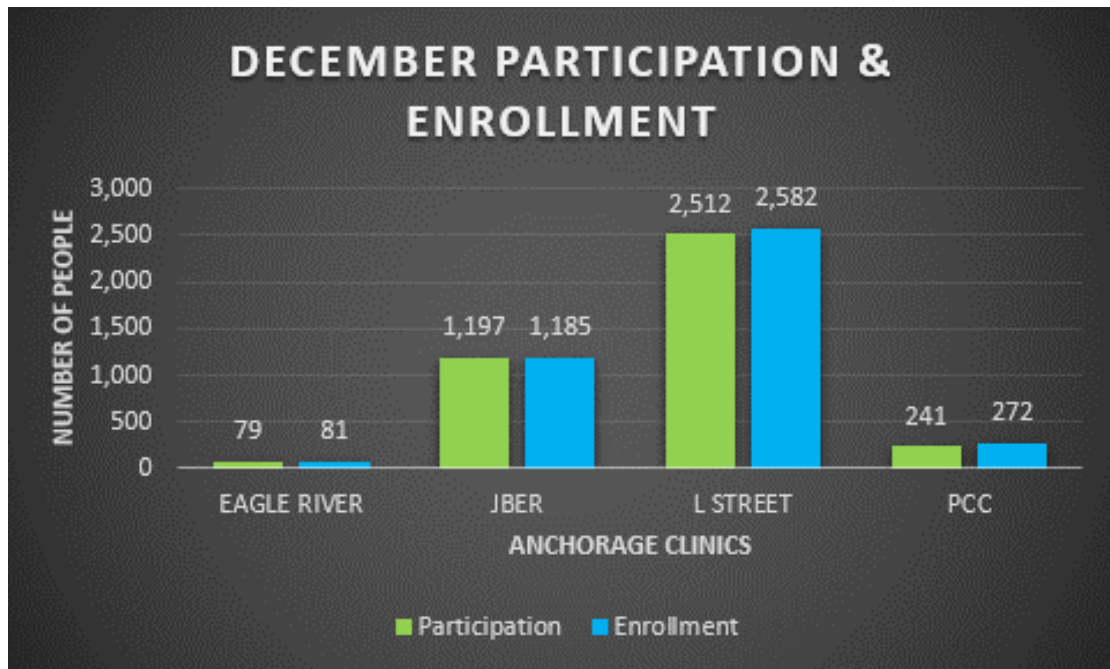
- A Family Service Aide was hired in December, starting in January.
- WIC purchased 30 boxes from Arctic Harvest Deliveries with Alcohol Tax funding which were provided to participants on a first come, first served basis. This event took place on December 6 and 13, 2022 with 15 boxes provided at each event.
- Johnny's Produce will be accepting Fresh Bucks in partnership with the WIC program. In December (21, 27, 28), WIC provided Fresh Bucks to eligible participants at the Johnny's location. A total of 246 Fresh Bucks Vouchers, valued at \$10 each, were issued to 83 participants. During this campaign, six child recertifications, four mid-certifications and one pregnant certification appointment were scheduled.
- The Anchorage Neighborhood Health Center liaison visited WIC on December 14 to meet the team, review our partnership process and answer questions. The new protocol is expected to roll out in January.
- The formula shortage continues to affect WIC participants. The USDA declared they will not extend waivers to purchase formula outside of Abbott's contract after February 2023. This will affect the participation and enrollment rate since WIC will only be permitted to provide prescriptions for Abbott products, which are not meeting WIC stocking criteria at grocery stores. The supply cannot keep up with the demand, which is cumbersome for participants, often leading them to disenroll from the program.
- There are two vacant Registered Dietitian positions.
- Four vendor visits were completed in December. Several issues were identified, such as: WIC stickers not placed in the correct location, the wrong food being identified as WIC, not enough WIC products on the shelves; one store did not have any WIC stickers, the managers and staff were not adequately knowledgeable of the program and managers were not receiving nor sending out notifications to their staff about WIC from the State, as required. These issues directly impact MOA's participation and enrollment numbers.

WIC Breastfeeding Peer Counselor Program (BPCP)

- Two Breastfeeding Peer Counselors (BFPC) are on staff, providing breastfeeding support to 106 women currently enrolled.
- WIC is recruiting for more BFPC through Facebook and Instagram stories with a job announcement attached. Two people showed interest; however, they didn't meet criteria for the position.
- 240 total contacts were made in December to the 106 enrollees.
- 28 Facebook posts and 15 Instagram posts for the month of December.
- Facebook page reached 2,343 people in the month of December with four new followers which is a substantial increase from last month's count of 811 people.
- Instagram reached 207 people in the month of December.

WIC Goal: Increase enrollment and participation to roughly 9,557 participants by 2025.

Anchorage Health Department WIC Clinic Data Outcomes:



SNAP-Ed Program

SNAP-Ed Mission: *SNAP-Ed teaches people how to make their SNAP dollars stretch, how to shop for and cook healthy meals, and how to stay physically active. SNAP-Ed initiatives include nutrition education classes, social marketing campaigns, and efforts to improve policies, systems, and the environment of communities.*

- A SNAP-Educator is slated to start on January 23, 2023.

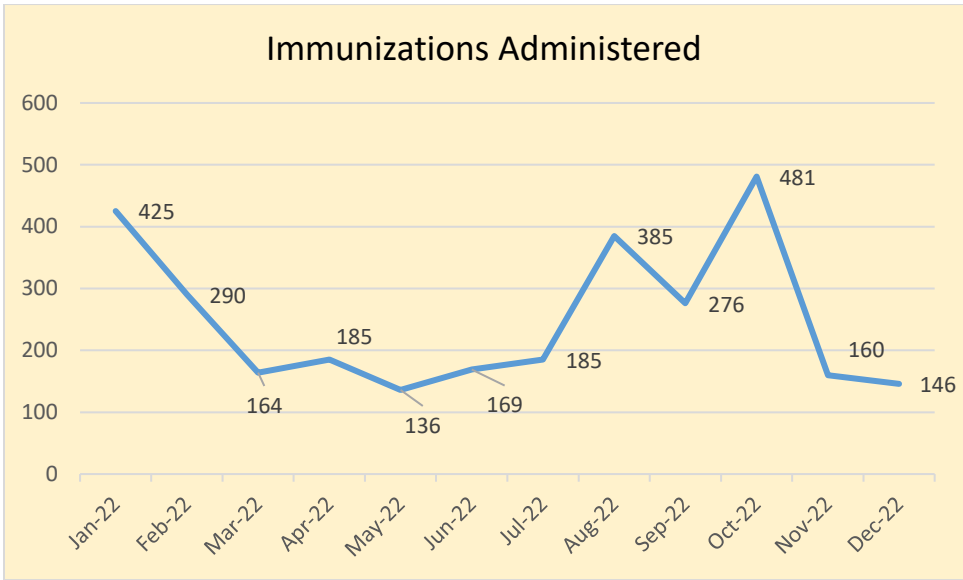
Community Health Nursing (CHN):

- We continue to provide Immunizations Records and COVID Card Replacements upon request and with a 2-3 business day turnaround.
- Tracked 2 cases (siblings) of varicella (chicken pox) and investigation of enteric disease in partnership with the state.

Disease Prevention and Control (DPC)

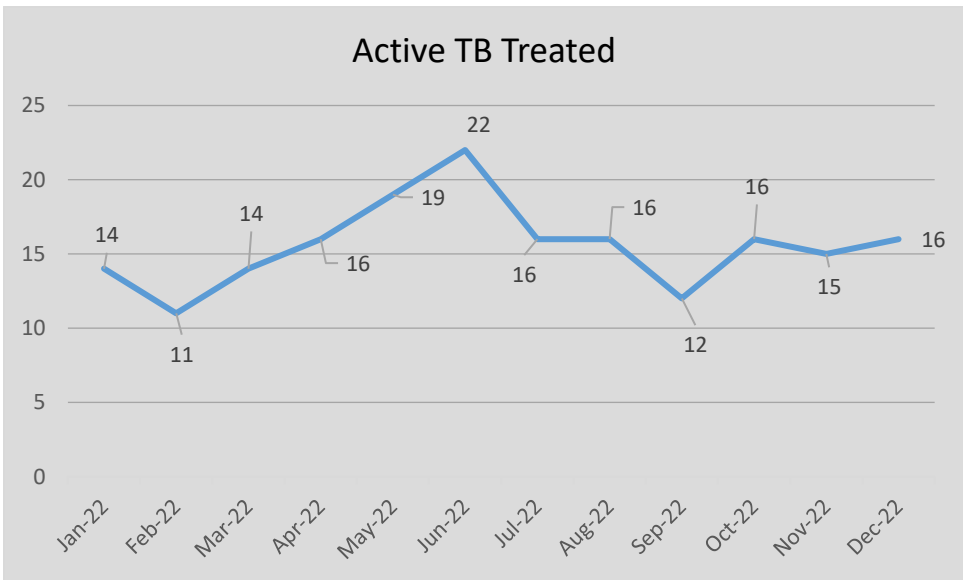
Immunizations

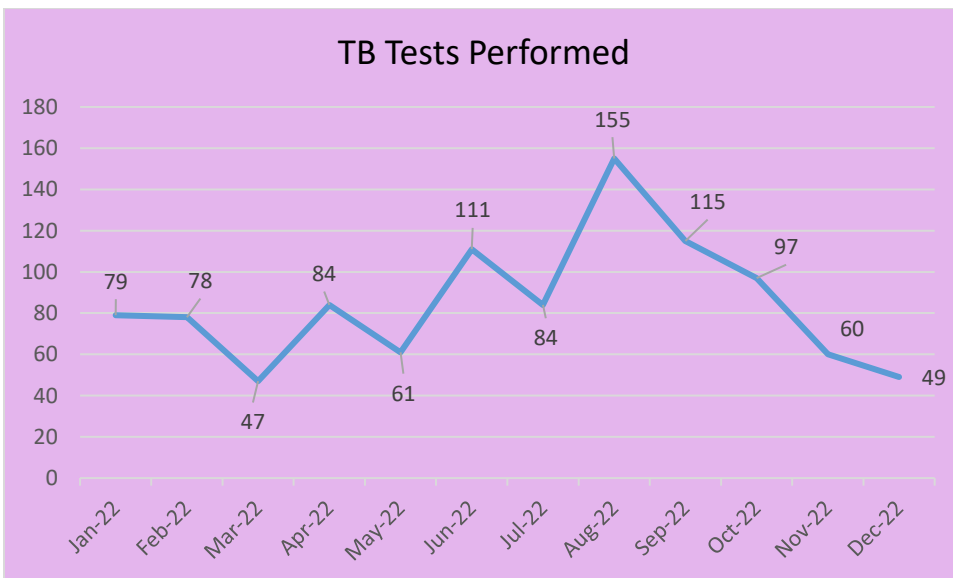
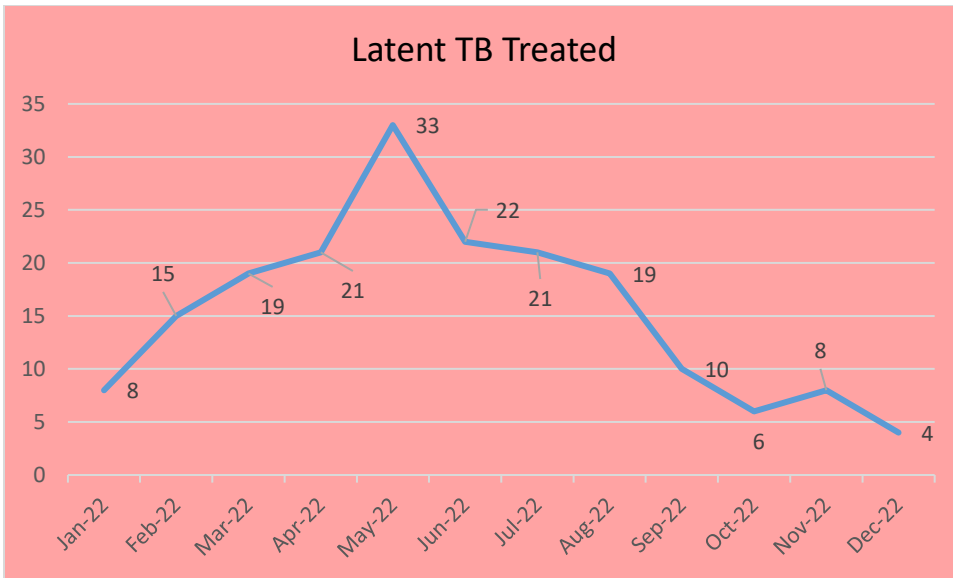
- AHD Clinic (scheduled appointments and walk-ins, to include vaccines given during TB or sexual health services): 146 Routine vaccines were provided:
 - 18 Pfizer bivalent
 - 13 Moderna bivalent
 - 9 high-dose flu (65yo or older)
 - 43 regular-dose flu (64yo and younger)
 - 1 PPD (purified protein derivative)
 - 5 Mpox (monkeypox)
 - 57 assorted other



Tuberculosis Control

- We treated and case managed 16 clients with Active TB.
 - TB tests performed IGRA: 48
 - Tuberculosis Skin Test: 1

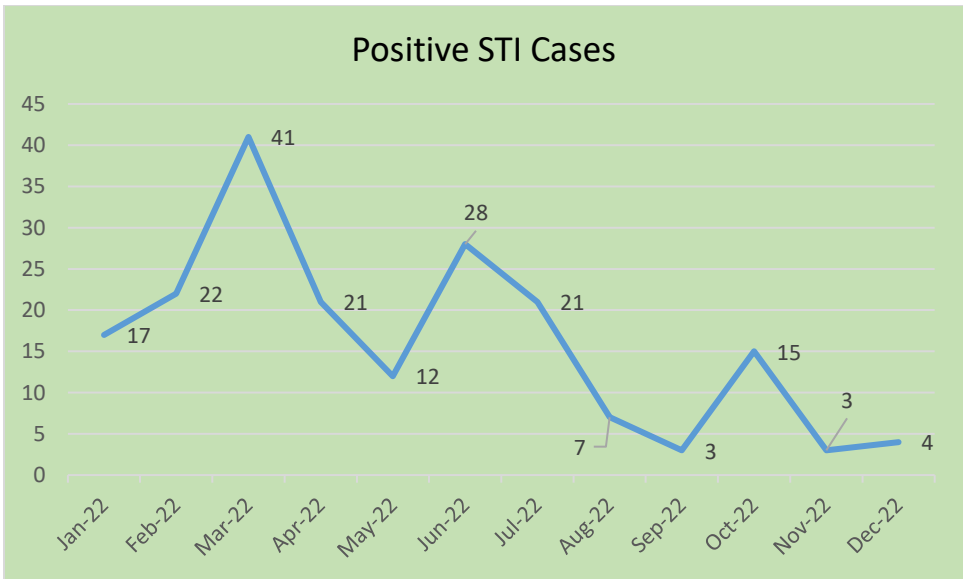
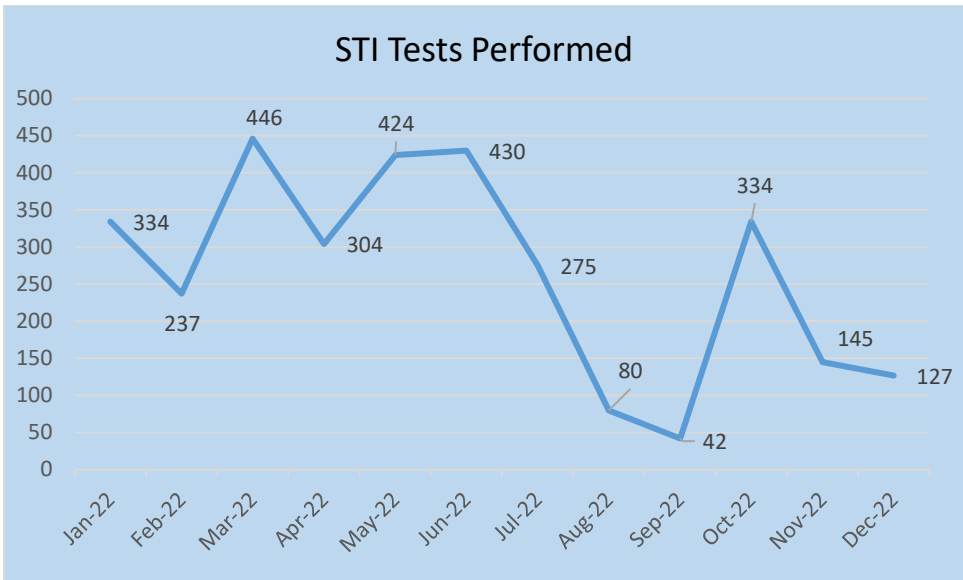




Sexual Health Clinic (SHC)

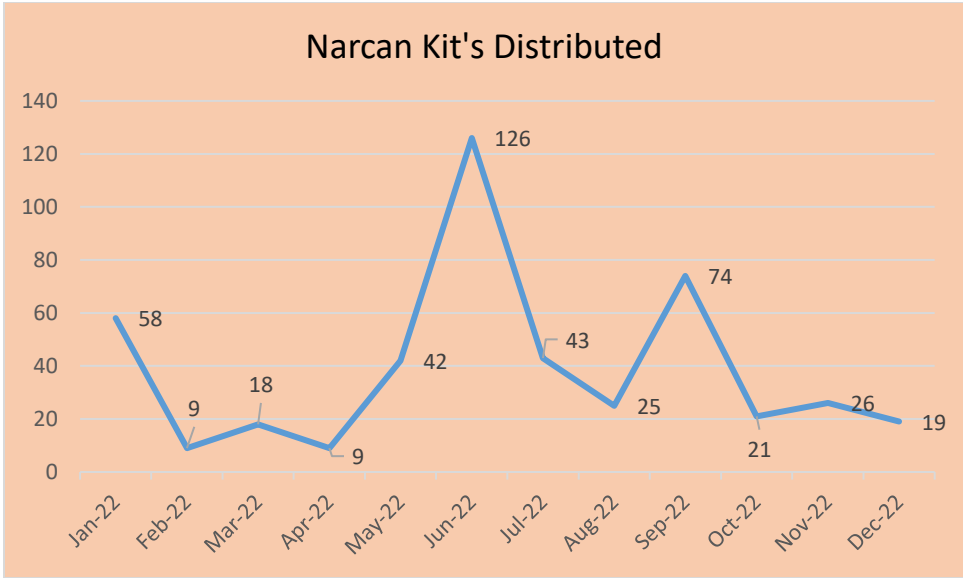
- STI express service is a walk-in screening focused specifically on STI screenings with low barriers and no cost to client that can reduce visit times, decrease time to treatment, and use provider time more efficiently.
- 80 clients seen in the STI self-referral walk-in clinic ages 15 – 65 years old.

• STI	Tested	Pos
Chlamydia Trachomatis (CT)	47	3
Neisseria Gonorrhoeae or Gonorrhea Clamper (GC)	47	1
Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)	11	
Hepatitis C (HCV)	1	
Syphilis	21	



Substance Initiative in PHN Grant

- 19 Naloxone opioid kits given out by AHD in December
 - Six by Sexual Health Clinic.
 - Five kits to HIM/clinic front desk staff.
 - Eight kits given at Mountain View Public Library vaccine outreach on 12/20/22.



HIV Prevention

- 11 rapid HIV tests provided.
- 4,500 condoms distributed (at various locations citywide to include 825 L St.).

TUPP (Teen Unintended Pregnancy Prevention)

- Busy fall semester with 17 presentations to 12 cohorts of youth, totaling 282 youth in 8th grade in three ASD middle schools.
 - Birth control, STI's & Condoms, with positive youth & teacher feedback.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS 2023 MEETING DATES

Note: ADA Commission not presently active

FEBRUARY	1	Wednesday	4:00-5:30	Homeless, Housing & Neighborhood Development Commission
	2	Thursday	4:00-5:30	Anchorage Women's Commission
	22	Wednesday	10:00-Noon	Senior Citizens Advisory Commission
	23	Thursday	5:30-7:00	Animal Control Advisory Board