

**Comal County Public Health
September 2016**

This is a brief summary of some of the activities that are happening in our department.

Education

- 2-Epidemiology and Vaccine Preventable Disease Webinars for all staff
- DSHS High Consequences Infectious Disease Standard Operating Guidelines Workgroup participation (1)
- Staff Safety Meeting on lifting and vaccine transport
- FEMA training for Emergency Manager-2 courses completed

ImmTrac

- Vaccine management and transfers with Health Services Region 8 and providers
- Research to define parameters of cooler conditioning for influenza clinics
- Provider visit for vaccine education and problem solving
- Goodwin-Frazier Elementary School Resource Fair (Information/education on immunizations, ImmTrac & emergency preparedness for 150 families)

Communicable Disease Reporting & Investigations—62 case investigations (34 confirmed/probable notifiable conditions) Monitor: 2 Perinatal Hepatitis B cases. TB- All cases followed by Health Services Region 8.

Flu Surveillance: A-9, B-2, ND-0, Influenza-like Illness-1

STD — Chlamydia- 20 cases; Gonorrhea-5 cases; HIV-0 cases; Syphilis-0 cases

General Information

- Public Health served at our main facility – 180 clients (131 received immunizations & 49 other services)
- Pharmacist conducted monthly visit
- Monthly consultation with Dr. Overman, Health Authority
- TMHP Medicaid re-enrollment submitted for review
- Safety Survey completed and submitted to Texas Association of Counties
- New Supervisor of Nursing Services started
- Community Connections radio program on Influenza
- Hand washing demonstrations at 1 elementary and 4 child care facilities (210)
- Reminder/recalls sent (87)
- Coordination and planning for the 2016-17 Influenza campaign

Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP)

- Monthly training with staff on Incident Command Post
- Presented to New Braunfels High School class on emergency preparedness (40 students)
- Department of State Health Services(DSHS) Preparedness Workgroup-quality assurance tool development
- Completed Capabilities Planning Guide document for DSHS
- Equipment inventory conducted
- Met with private partner for Points of Dispensing plans development
- Attended Lowes Safety Saturday (200 packets distributed)
- Volunteer Coordinator: Updated 2 volunteer lists, spoke to 25 people about volunteering, FEMA ICS training completed, training on Strategic National Stockpile operations

Employee Vaccinations- 11 shots & 0 titers at a cost of \$1105.

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