February/March 2023 BOH Updates

Clinical

* 15 clients seen between Galion and Mansfield clinic sites (STI test visits)
* 29 current clients active in HIV Prevention (PrEP) between Galion and Mansfield clinic sites
* HIV prevention has been our big focus with many individuals referring partners, friends, etc.  PrEP is not widely prescribed in our local area.
* **April 4, 2023** Start date set for once-weekly test site at Marion Public health.  We have been providing HIV and syphilis testing 3 times per month during February and March during their syringe service program (SSP).  Our new clinic time will align with the Tuesday SSP from 9 am - 3 pm and will accommodate walk-in and scheduled clients.  The staff at MPH has been gracious to serve as a test site and meeting point for many years when clients have needed our care.

Region 2 HIV and Syphilis tracking

***Crawford, Marion, Richland, Ashland, Knox, Erie, Wyandot, Seneca, & Huron Counties***

* Syphilis cases have waned over the last 30-60 days
* We have continued to offer syphilis testing with all rapid HIV test encounters
* We were able to complete outreach testing and education services throughout February and March at the following: Heidelberg University (Seneca), Cornerstone Recovery (Marion), Riverside Recovery (Knox), Kno-Ho-Co-Ashland CAC (Ashland), Praxis (Marion)

Grant Management/Budget

* Spending is on track for 2023.  We were a little delayed with some movement of money, ability to spend, etc.  This is per usual with the way our funds are managed between our department and the city.  We have worked to be flexible and conscientious of this.
* Olivia was able to complete the necessary budget revisions prior to her resignation that accounted for increases in employee health coverage and one position vacancy (no RN DIS).  We should be set for 2023, barring any changes in funding handed down by the CDC to the Ohio Department of Health.

Respectfully Submitted,

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