



Serving the Towns of Alford, Great Barrington, Lee, Lenox,
 Monterey, Mount Washington, New Marlborough, Otis,
 Sandisfield, Sheffield, Stockbridge and Tyringham

“The mission of the Southern Berkshire Public Health Collaborative is to leverage partnerships in order to provide quality public health services that directly improve the health and well-being of the entire community.”

SBPHC FY24 QUARTER 3 REPORT January 2024 – March 2024

This quarterly report highlights the following initiatives of the Southern Berkshire Public Health Collaborative:

- **MAVEN Events:** Number of events by town for Quarter 1, Quarter 2 and Quarter 3.
- **Blood pressure/wellness sessions:** Participation by site and number of individuals served.
- **Car Seat program:** Car seat services provided to member towns.
- **Agent/Inspectional Services:** Report on activities for agent/ inspectional services provided.
- **Community Collaboration and Engagement Activities:** Trainings and community meetings.
- **New Community Health Worker/ Equity Access Coordinator:** Pamela Stealth.

MAVEN EVENTS

MAVEN (Massachusetts Virtual Epidemiological Network) is monitored daily for emerging trends. Diseases requiring immediate follow-up and those related to high-risk disease or congregate setting spread are contacted by the public health nurse per Massachusetts General Law.

TOWN	DISEASE	Q1 TOTAL	Q2 TOTAL	Q3 TOTAL	FY24 TO DATE
ALFORD	INFLUENZA	0	1	0	1
	LYME DISEASE	4	0	0	4
	SARS-COV-2	1	2	1	4
	PERTUSSIS	1	0	0	1
	TOTAL ALFORD EVENTS	6	3	1	10
GREAT BARRINGTON	BABESIOSIS	1	1	0	2
	CALICVIRUS/NOROVIRUS	4	2	4	10
	CAMPYLOBACTERIOSIS	1	0	1	2
	CYCLOSPORIASIS	2	0	0	2
	GIARDIASIS	0	0	1	1
	HEPATITIS A	1	0	1	2
	HEPATITIS B	1	0	1	2
	HEPATITIS C	1	2	4	7
	HUMAN GLANULOYTIC ANAPLASMOSIS	3	2	0	5
	INFLUENZA	1	12	31	44
	LYME DISEASE	38	12	7	57
	SALMONELLOSIS	2	0	1	3
	SARS-COV-2	46	72	47	165
	SHIGELLOSIS	1	0	1	2
SPOTTED FEVER RICKETTSIOSES	1	0	0	1	

TOWN	DISEASE	Q1 TOTAL	Q2 TOTAL	Q3 TOTAL	FY24 TO DATE
GREAT BARRINGTON (continued)	TUBERCULOSIS- LTBI (Latent)	3	14	12	29
	VIBRIO SP.	1	0	1	2
	YERSINIOSIS	0	0	2	2
	TOTAL GREAT BARRINGTON EVENTS	107	117	114	338
LEE	ARBOVIRUS	1	0	0	1
	CALICIVIRUS/NOROVIRUS	3	0	2	5
	CAMPYLOBACTERIOSIS	0	0	2	2
	CYCLOSPORIASIS	2	0	0	2
	GIARDIASIS	0	0	1	1
	GROUP A STREPTOCOCCUS	0	0	1	1
	HEPATITIS B	2	0	0	2
	HEPATITIS C	3	0	0	3
	HUMAN GRANULOCYTIC ANAPLASMOSIS	1	0	0	1
	INFLUENZA	0	4	39	43
	LYME DISEASE	16	6	2	24
	SALMONELLOSIS	1	0	0	1
	SARS-COV-2	24	44	26	94
	SHIGA TOXIN PRODUCING ORG.	0	1	0	1
	STREPTOCOCCUS PNEUMONIAE	0	1	0	1
	TUBERCULOSIS- LTBI (Latent)	1	4	1	6
	YERSINIOSIS	1	0	0	1
TOTAL LEE EVENTS	55	60	74	189	
LENOX	CALICIVIRUS/NOROVIRUS	3	1	4	8
	CAMPYLOBACTERIOSIS	1	0	1	2
	CRYPTOSPORIDIOSIS	1	0	0	1
	GIARDIASIS	0	0	1	1
	GROUP B STREPTOCOCCUS	1	0	0	1
	HEPATITIS B	0	1	0	1
	HEPATITIS C	1	1	1	3
	HUMAN GRANULOCYTIC ANAPLASMOSIS	1	5	0	6
	INFLUENZA	1	2	29	32
	LYME DISEASE	21	3	0	24
	PERTUSSIS (AND OTHER BORDETELLA SP.)	0	1	0	1
	SARS-COV-2	44	71	50	165
	SHIGA TOXIN PRODUCING ORG.	0	1	0	1
	STREPTOCOCCUS PNEUMONIAE	0	0	1	1
	TUBERCULOSIS- LTBI (Latent)	1	2	0	3
	VIRAL MENINGITIS (ASEPTIC)	0	1	0	1
	YERSINIOSIS	2	0	0	2
TOTAL LENOX EVENTS	77	89	87	253	

TOWN	DISEASE	Q1 TOTAL	Q2 TOTAL	Q3 TOTAL	FY24 TO DATE
MONTEREY	CYCLOSPORIASIS	1	0	0	1
	GIARDIASIS	0	1	0	1
	HUMAN GRANULOCYtic ANAPLASMOSIS	1	1	0	2
	INFLUENZA	0	0	3	3
	LYME DISEASE	4	4	1	9
	SALMONELLOSIS	1	0	0	1
	SARS-COV-2	6	4	3	13
	TOTAL MONTEREY EVENTS	13	10	7	30
MOUNT WASHINGTON	LYME DISEASE	1	0	0	1
	SARS-COV-2	1	0	1	2
	TOTAL MOUNT WASHINGTON EVENTS	2	0	1	3
NEW MARLBOROUGH	BABESIOSIS	1	0	0	1
	CALICIVIRUS/NOROVIRUS	1	0	0	1
	HEPATITIS C	0	0	1	1
	HUMAN GRANULOCYtic ANAPLASMOSIS	0	2	0	2
	INFLUENZA	0	1	3	4
	LYME DISEASE	13	3	0	16
	SARS-COV-2	8	4	3	15
	SHIGELLOSIS	1	0	0	1
TOTAL NEW MARLBOROUGH EVENTS	24	10	7	41	
OTIS	HEPATITIS B	0	1	0	1
	INFLUENZA	0	1	6	7
	LYME DISEASE	2	1	0	3
	SARS-COV-2	6	10	6	22
	TUBERCULOSIS (LATENT- LTBI)	0	0	1	1
	YERSINIOSIS	0	1	0	1
	TOTAL OTIS EVENTS	8	14	13	35
SANDISFIELD	HEPATITIS C	0	0	1	1
	HUMAN GRANULOCYtic ANAPLASMOSIS	0	1	0	1
	INFLUENZA	4	2	0	6
	LYME DISEASE	1	0	1	2
	SARS-COV-2	4	6	2	12
	TOTAL SANDISFIELD EVENTS	9	9	4	22
SHEFFIELD	BABESIOSIS	2	0	0	2
	CALICIVIRUS/NOROVIRUS	2	1	2	5
	CAMPYLOBACTERIOSIS	0	2	2	4
	CYCLOSPORIASIS	1	0	0	1
	HEPATITIS C	1	1	0	2
	HUMAN GRANULOCYtic ANAPLASMOSIS	4	0	0	4
	INFLUENZA	0	3	17	20

TOWN	DISEASE	Q1 TOTAL	Q2 TOTAL	Q3 TOTAL	FY24 TO DATE
SHEFFIELD (Continued)	LYME DISEASE	23	7	9	39
	PERTUSSIS (AND OTHER BORDETELLA SP.)	0	1	0	1
	SALMONELLOSIS	1	1	0	2
	SARS-COV-2	11	15	6	32
	TUBERCULOSIS- LTBI (Latent)	0	1	0	1
	VIBRIO SP.	1	0	0	1
	TOTAL SHEFFIELD EVENTS	46	32	36	114
STOCKBRIDGE	BABESIOSIS	1	0	1	2
	CALICIVIRUS/NOROVIRUS	1	0	1	2
	CAMPYLOBACTERIOSIS	0	1	1	2
	EHRLICIOSIS	0	0	1	1
	HEPATITIS C	0	1	1	2
	HUMAN GRANULOCYTIC ANAPLASMOSIS	2	0	1	3
	NFLUENZA	0	3	5	8
	LYME DISEASE	11	4	4	19
	SARS-COV-2	5	12	6	23
	TUBERCULOSIS- LTBI (Latent)	0	0	2	2
	TOTAL STOCKBRIDGE EVENTS	20	21	23	64
TYRINGHAM	HUMAN GRANULOCYTIC ANAPLASMOSIS	2	0	0	2
	LYME DISEASE	3	1	0	4
	SARS-COV-2	3	1	0	4
	TOTAL TYRINGHAM EVENTS	8	2	0	10
ALL SBPHC TOWNS	FY 24 TOTAL EVENTS TO DATE	375	381	367	1109

BLOOD PRESSURE / WELLNESS CLINICS

The SBPHC PHN provides blood pressure/wellness sessions around the region each month that include taking blood pressures of participants as well as education on wellness related topics

LOCATION	JAN 24	FEB 24	MAR 24	TOTAL
Lee Senior Center	5	5	4	14
Lenox Community Center	4	4	3	11
Sandisfield Council on Aging	X	7	11	18
Sheffield Senior Center	X	7	9	16
Monterey Community Center	X	3	2	5
Claire Teague Senior Center	X	*	*	0
TOTAL FY24 Q3	9	26	29	64

X= Cancelled

*= No one registered

CAR SEAT PROGRAM

Car seat installation and inspections are available by appointment. Free car seats are available through the Collaborative through the grant program of the Massachusetts Office of Grants and Research. To schedule a free car seat check or to receive a free car seat contact Jill Sweet at jill@tritownhealth.org or (413) 717-7209.

TOWN	CAR SEATS PROVIDED	INSPECTIONS	TOTAL
Great Barrington	2		2
Lee	1	1	2
TOTAL FY24 Q3	3	1	4

SBPHC AGENT AND INSPECTIONAL SERVICES

Jason Dragonetti and Jayne Smith provide full agent/inspectional services to Sandisfield and Mt. Washington and some inspectional services to Sheffield. Jason and Jayne are available for technical assistance in any of our member towns upon request. Below is a chart tracking the types of activities provided in FY24 Q3 A more detailed town-by-town breakdown is available upon request.

SBPHC Agent/ Inspectional Services Activities (Fy24 Q3)

# Activities	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	FY24 Q3
Agent/ Inspectors	Total #	Total #	Total #	Total
# BOH Meetings	7	4	3	14
# Food Inspections	0	8	7	15
# Food Establishment Reviews	1	0	1	2
# Housing/Nuisance Insp	8	9	6	23
# Online Permitting Meetings	2	2	5	9
# Perc Witness	1	1	1	3
# Permits Issued	7	2	3	12
# Septic Plan Reviews	8	2	2	12
# T5 Witness	0	0	0	0
# Tobacco Outreach	0	0	0	0
# Building/Zoning Signoffs	1	2	2	5
# Short Term Rental Insp	0	1	0	1
Other	0	0	1	1
TOTAL # Activities	35	31	31	97

Breakdown of some Agent/ Inspectional Services Hours (FY24 Q3)

# Hours	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	FY24 Q3
Agent/ Inspectors	Total	Total	Total	Total
Hours Housing Court & Prep	12	12	56	80
Hours spent in BOH Offices	15	20	12	47
Hours Policy Work	5	10	2	17
Hours providing BOH Support	12	14	13	39
Accumulative Activity Hours	44	56	83	183

SBPHC COMMUNITY COLLABORATION & ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

As members of the South County community, SBPHC staff engage with the community through a wide variety of local and state meetings. There are several benefits to these meetings, including lending a South County perspective to conversations, connecting ideas generated by different groups, and increasing our own of the issues impacting public health. Below is a breakdown of the different trainings PHE staff attended between January 2024 and March 2024.

SBPHC Staff Community Meetings and Trainings (FY24 Q3)

		FY24 Q3
Meeting Name	Description	# Meetings
BASIC (Immigrant)	Group provide support to immigrant community	2
BCBOHA Work Grp/Meetings	Strategy meeting for BOH Agents and members	5
Collaborative PH Nursing (Berks)	All PHN in Berkshire County meet to collaborate	3
Community Health Initiative Prog.	Create and develop projects impacting community health	3
DPH Local Public Health Meetings	DPH shares emerging issues and guidance	1
EA Food Access	Support immigrants to have kitchen access	6
MAPHN	Public Health Nurses meet to discuss emerging issues	2
MHOA Leadership Meeting	MHOA Executive Bord and Conference Committee	7
PHE Contract Meeting	Meet with contract supervisor on PHE progress	4
PHE Monthly Meetings	OLRH monthly meeting with all PHE groups	6
PHN/DPH Meeting	Discuss MAVEN and emerging issues	0
Rural Health Network Meeting	Meeting to discuss health resources in South County	5
Resource Guide Meeting	Meetings specifically to implement resource guide	2
SBPHC Meeting	Quarterly meeting with reps from member towns	1
SBREPC: Emergency Planning	Monthly meetings to address emergency preparedness	1
Substance Working Group	Formerly South County Opioid Working Group	4
Team Meetings	Internal PHE staff meetings	2
Trainings	Inspector, TRAIN, MAVEN, Leadership, Emergency, PHN	8
TRIAD	Monthly meeting to address safety for seniors	1
Other	Incidental or non-regular meetings	12
TOTAL	Community Engagement/Training Meetings	75

New Community Health Worker/ Equity Access Coordinator

The Southern Berkshire Public Health Collaborative is happy to introduce Pamela Stealth as the new Community Health Worker/ Equity Access Coordinator. Pam is an LPN with a deep passion for helping others and making a positive impact on the lives of those in need. She brings 12 years' experience as an LPN, with her most recent experience working in pediatrics. Pam is committed to making a difference in Southern Berkshire County and is excited for her new career as a CHW/Equity Access Coordinator. Please join us in welcoming Pam by emailing her at pam@tritownhealth.org or saying hello at one of our many upcoming events!

Questions?

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- Jason Dragonetti, Shared Health Agent (jason@tritownhealth.org)
- Pamela Stealth, Community Health Worker (pam@tritownhealth.org)