



MINUTES OF BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

December 4, 2019

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by Chair Peer at 6:00 p.m.

Board of Health Members Present: Chair Peer, Supervisor Gramke, Supervisor Rynes (left at 7:00), Supervisor Homan, Dr. Meyers, Dr. Somaraju, and Dr. Winter.

Board of Health Members Absent: Mr. Gresens

Staff Members Present: Marie-Noel Sandoval – Health Officer; Michelle Bailey – Assistant Director; Rick Wietersen – Environmental Health Director; Nick Zupan – Epidemiologist; Alicia McLellan – Public Health Nurse; and Jessica Turner – Administrative Services Supervisor.

Others Present: None at this time.

Adopt Agenda

Supervisor Rynes made a motion to adopt the agenda. Supervisor Gramke seconded the motion. MOTION APPROVED.

Approval of Minutes – 10/2/19 & 10/16/19

Supervisor Gramke made a motion to approve the minutes of the 10/2/19 & 10/16/19 Board of Health meetings. Dr. Winter seconded the motion. MOTION APPROVED.

Dr. Winter asked for clarification on the communication tracking software that is needed for the Public Health Department. Ms. Sandoval explained the need for a Customer Management Software and the struggle to find a small version.

Citizen Participation

None at this time.

New Business

Administrative Division

Review of Payments

The Board reviewed the Health Department's October and November payments in the amounts of \$11,826.28 and \$15,474.75 respectively.

Transfer of Funds over \$5,000

None at this time.

Discuss Next Meeting Date and Time

Dr. Winter suggested moving the next meeting to January 8th at 6pm.

Supervisor Rynes made a motion to move the January meeting to January 8th at 6pm. Supervisor Homan seconded the motion. MOTION APPROVED.

Health Department Report

In the News

Ms. Sandoval told the Board that the Public Health Department recently completed its 140 Review. She explained that the 140 Rule was revised, so the review process has changed. The new process is conversational with the possible questions provided in advance. Ms. Sandoval said that staff members were able to prepare and she thought it went well.

According to Ms. Sandoval, Supervisor Homan was on the front page of the newspaper in an article about environmental sustainability and energy efficient lighting ideas.

Ms. Sandoval told the Board members that there has been a Hepatitis A outbreak that has been traced back to fresh blackberries from Fresh Tyme Markets in Indiana, Nebraska, and Wisconsin. As of December 3, 16 people in 6 states have been affected. Four cases are from WI, with three of those hospitalized. Ms. Sandoval added that Hepatitis A is a virus, it could last a long time, and symptoms may not show up right away.

Ms. Sandoval reported that there has also been an outbreak of Shiga toxin producing E. coli caused by Romain lettuce from Salinas County, CA. She said they have not identified a common grower or supplier. This outbreak has affected 67 people in 19 states. Twenty-one of these cases were in Wisconsin. Some of these cases have developed hemolytic uremic syndrome. Dr. Somaraju explained this syndrome in more detail.

Ms. Sandoval said that as of November 20, all 50 states have had cases of severe lung disease due to vaping. There have been a total of 2,290 cases with 47 confirmed deaths in 25 states. As of November 27, 97 cases have been confirmed and probable and 10 cases are under investigation in Wisconsin. Thirty-one of the counties in Wisconsin have been affected including Rock County.

Ms. Sandoval reported that there has been a measles outbreak in Samoa. There have been 60 deaths. They are attempting to raise their immunization rates from 55% to 90%. They have a population of 200,000 and are planning to vaccinate door to door. They have also closed schools, sent out mobile units, and marketed awareness. They have been battling public mistrust because of two infant deaths that occurred when a nurse improperly mixed the vaccine with a muscle relaxant.

Surveillance

Ms. Bailey told the Board that the flu has been seen in southern states. She said Influenza B has been seen in Wisconsin in low levels. She said rhinovirus is currently prevalent.

Supervisor Rynes asked about RSV. Dr. Somaraju said that the rates have been higher due to more testing being done. Chair Peer asked if people with young children should stay away from activities with many people. Dr. Somaraju said that is reasonable especially in closed air spaces.

Ms. Bailey said that one of the Public Health Nurses was interviewed about pertussis. She talked about preventative measures. There have only been a few cases in Rock County.

Community Events/Outreach

According to Ms. Sandoval, events and outreach have been quiet due to the holiday months. She said the Rock County Public Health Department continues to provide outreach through the signboard and Facebook page.

Budget

Ms. Sandoval reported that the Finance Committee approved combining two part time positions into one full time position. Recruitment will start next week.

Ms. Sandoval said she is beginning to look into account transfers for the end of the year with the Public Health Department's new Account Clerk, Kelly Phillips.

Personnel

Ms. Sandoval said that Kelly Phillips joined the Rock County Public Health team on November 18th. She said they also extended an offer for Public Health Supervisor. The offer was declined. Ms. Sandoval said that there are currently two Public Health Supervisor positions and two Public Health Nurse positions open. These positions will close on December 15th and reopen on January 1st to refresh the listings.

Chair Peer asked about immunizations. He asked Ms. Sandoval if the Public Health Department takes advantage of various outbreaks as they come up to get information out to the media. Ms. Sandoval replied that it does.

Ms. Bailey talked about The Doctors Office. This is a clinic that accepts out of pocket pay only. They do not file to insurance. They have approximately 160 patients so far. They try to keep fees low, provide house calls in some circumstances, and the average charge for services is \$85. Dr. Somaraju added that Walmart and Schnucks pharmacies have antibiotics free or low cost (\$4). Chair Peer talked about communication to let people know what services are available.

Immunization Presentation

Ms. McLellan and Mr. Zupan introduced themselves to the Board and gave a PowerPoint presentation on childhood immunization and waiver rates in Rock County (see attached).

The Board discussed immunization rates in Rock County.

Dr. Winter asked about plans for dealing with legal marijuana in Illinois. Ms. Sandoval said law enforcement is concerned, but the Public Health Department has no plans to do anything different.

Communications and Announcements

None at this time.

Adjournment

Dr. Meyers made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor Gramke seconded the motion. MOTION APPROVED. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jessica Turner, Recorder

Not Official Until Approved by the Board of Health

Childhood Immunizations in Rock County

December 4, 2019



County Health Rankings

Childhood Immunizations:

Percentage of children aged 19 to 35 months who received the recommended doses of DTaP, Polio, MMR, Hib, hepatitis B, varicella, and Pneumococcal conjugate.

Range in Wisconsin (Min-Max): 43-82%

Overall in Wisconsin: 73%

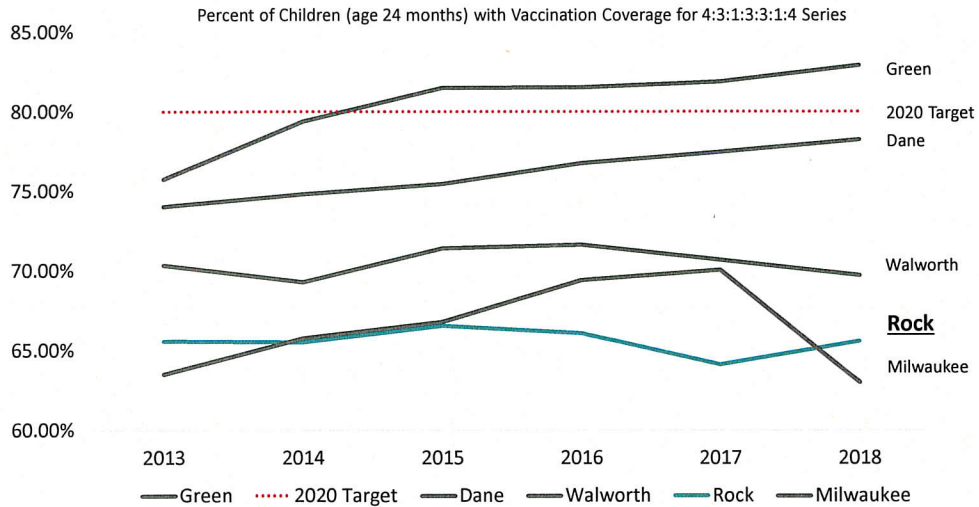
Rock County: 64.0% (2017) 66% (October 2019, 73% late, but up to date)

Protecting children early in life through vaccination is important because it helps prevent many debilitating and life threatening diseases both in the child and the population.



Data Source: County Health Rankings, Wisconsin Immunization Registry

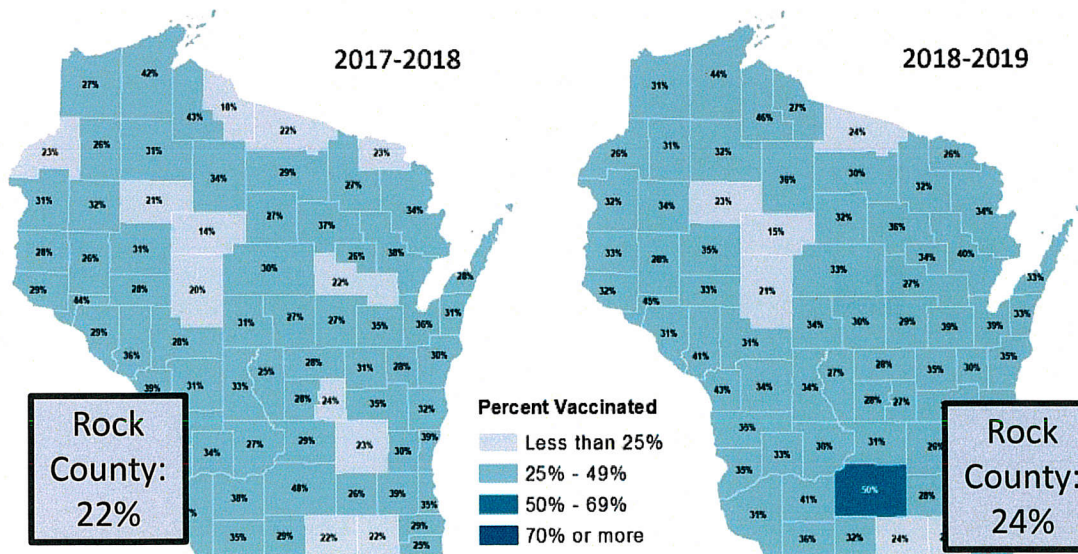
Two-Year Old Immunizations



Source: Wisconsin Division of Public Health, Wisconsin Immunization Registry

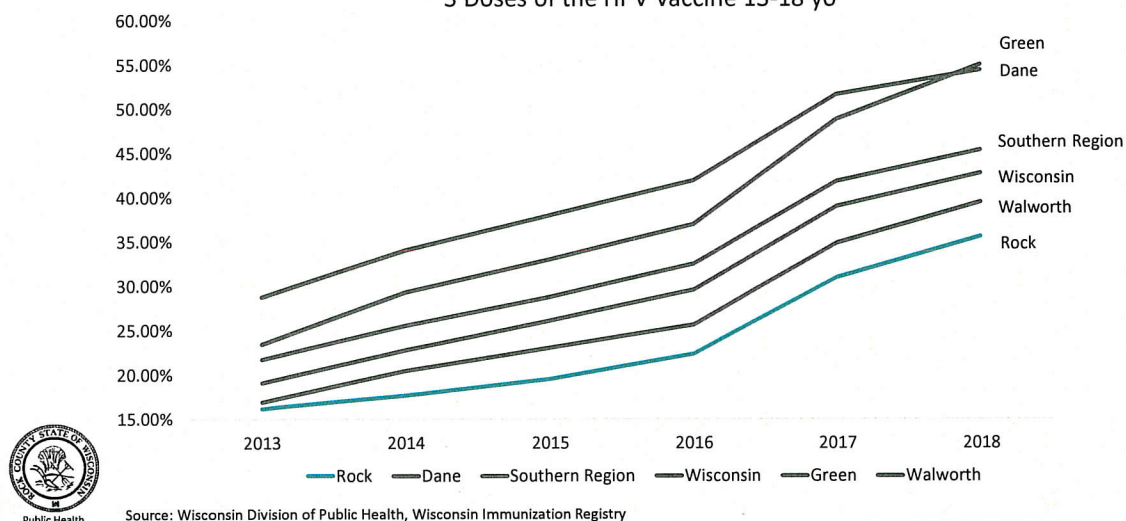
Influenza vaccination rates by age and county for 5- to 17-year-olds, Wisconsin

Percentage of Wisconsin residents who received one or more doses of influenza vaccine during July 1 – June 30, by age group and county of residence



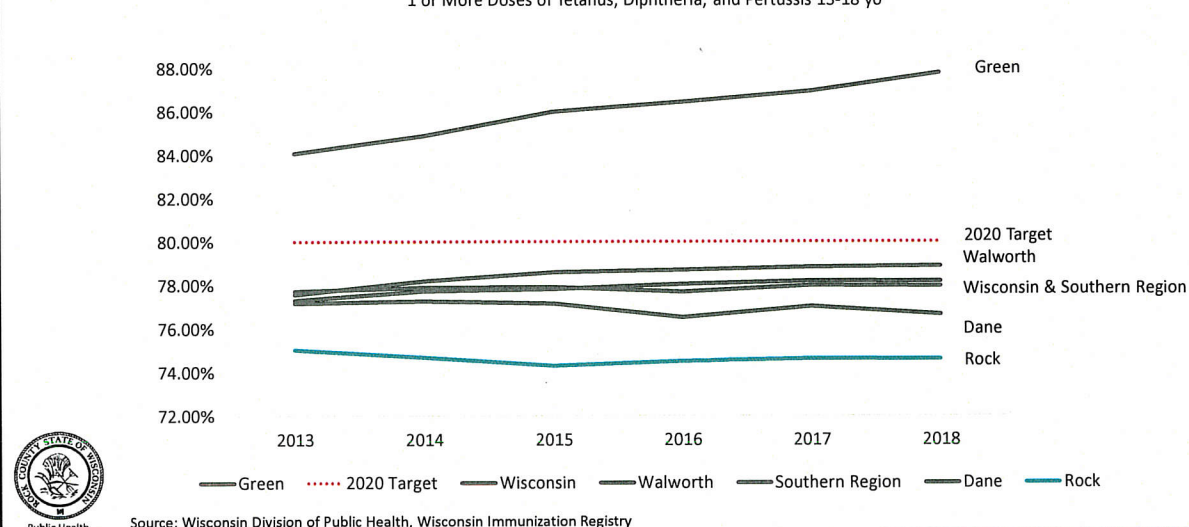
Adolescent Vaccinations

3 Doses of the HPV Vaccine 13-18 yo



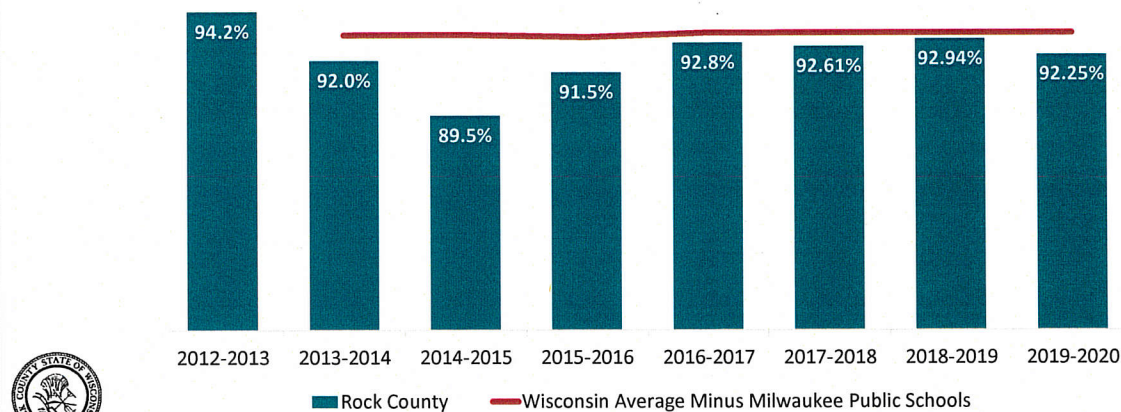
Adolescent Vaccinations

1 or More Doses of Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Pertussis 13-18 yo



Rock Co. School Immunization Rates

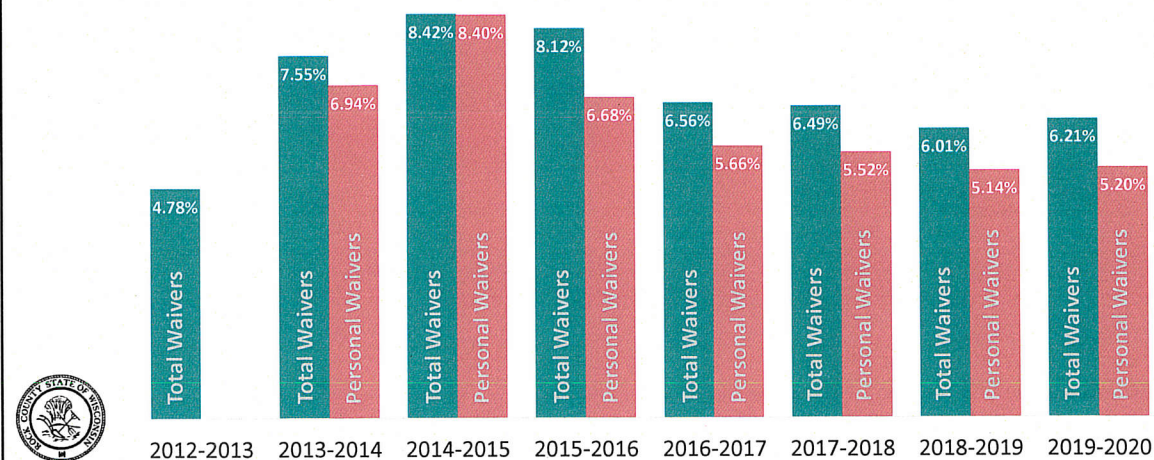
(% Students Meeting Minimum Requirements)



Source: Wisconsin Immunization Registry

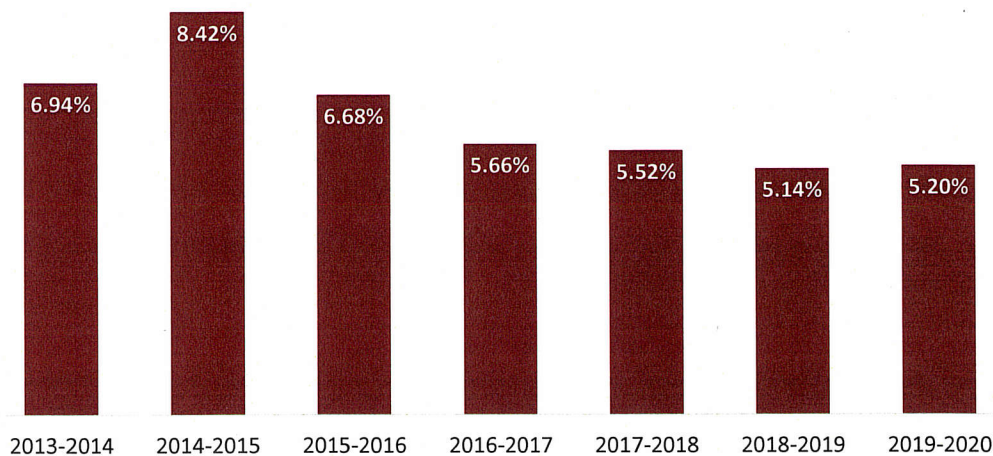
School Waiver Rates – All Districts

Total for All Districts Combined



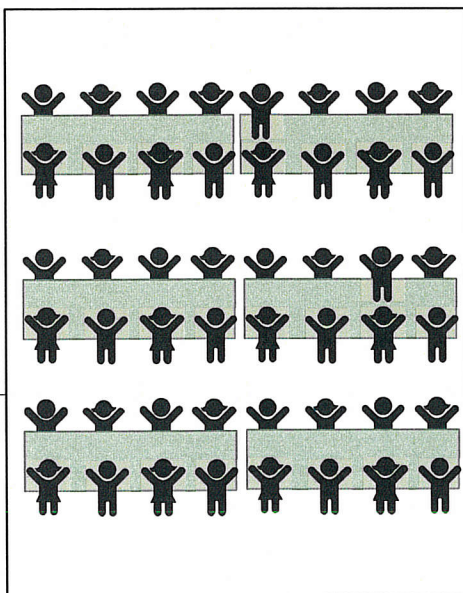
Personal Waiver Rates – All Districts

Total for All Districts Combined



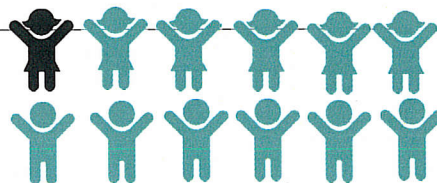

1 child who has
measles

Lunch Room ~ 200 Kids



12 kids who were not
vaccinated because they
had a waiver are now
vulnerable to measles

11 of these kids will likely
contract measles



2018-2019 Goals



child
care



School Immunization Reports Requirements

Grade/Age	Number of Doses					
Pre-K (ages 2 through 4)	4 DTaP/DTP/DT	3 Polio	3 Hepatitis B	1 MMR	1 Varicella	
Kindergarten through Grade 5	4 DTaP/DTP/DT/Td	4 Polio	3 Hepatitis B	2 MMR	2 Varicella	
Grades 6 through 12	4 DTaP/DTP/DT/Td	4 Polio	3 Hepatitis B	2 MMR	2 Varicella	1 Tdap



2018-2019 Projects



UW-Oshkosh
Student/Waiver Rates



Rock County Immunization Coalition



Building Relationships
in the Community



Measles/Vaccine
Education Outreach



Rock County Public Health Department's **TIP TOP Performer**

This certificate is proudly presented to

*In recognition of their outstanding efforts
to ensure all children attending are vaccinated.*

Date

Signature



Goals for Upcoming Year

SET GOALS

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.



BOH Contributions

*Thank
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Thank You

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