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## TIOGA COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

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TO: Members of the Board of Health

FROM: D. McCann

DATE: May 8, 2025

RE: Board of Health Meeting - Thursday, May 15, 2025,  
7:30 a.m., **Conference Room B**, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor of Health and Human Services  
Building at 1062 St. Rt. 38, Owego, NY 13827.

### AGENDA

#### Introduction of Guests

- Denis McCann, Director of Administrative Services
- Susan Medina, Deputy Director of Public Health
- Daniel Scherrer, Director of Environmental Health
- Melanie Miller, Director of Patient Services
- Nicole Whitmore, Director of Dental Health Services

#### Presentation- Program Updates

#### Old Business

- Meeting Minutes (April)
- Enforcements

#### New Business

- TCPH Audit Summary, Quarter 1 2025 (Medina)

#### Director's Report

- Agency Updates – April

#### Additional Items

- None

#### Next Meeting Information

- Next Meeting: June 19, 2025



# TIOGA COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

## MEETING MINUTES April 17, 2025

### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT (Attended In Person):**

T. Nyth, DVM, President  
W. Simmons, Vice President  
T. Leary, FNP  
W. Standinger III, Legislator  
R. Kapur-Pado, DO  
J. Raftis, DO, FACEP

### **ABSENT:**

T. Hills, DVM

### **OTHER(S) PRESENT:**

H. Vroman, Public Health Director  
D. McCann, Director of Administrative Services  
P. DeWind, Tioga County Attorney  
A. Reigelman, Secretary

**CALL TO ORDER:** at 7:32 a.m. by Dr. Nyth. All members expressed their well wishes for Dr. Hills.

**PRESENTATION:** Mr. McCann provided a fiscal update for Tioga County Public Health; distributed handout. He explained that the County has officially closed out the 2024 fiscal year. Discussed expenditures, outlining expenditure amounts from 2019 to 2024, and explained the department's spending areas (57% to programs, 36% to employee salary, 7 % Infrastructure). Ms. Vroman noted that no positions within Tioga County Public Health are fully grant funded (like in other counties). Seeing some impact of inflation in areas such as advertising costs and Staples supplies. Mr. McCann also broke down funding sources and program fees. He noted that Article 6 State Aid reimbursement was the highest received ever in 2024; TCPH is using money appropriately and we are being reimbursed for it. Also noted and explained a few of TCPH's grants from 2024.

A few items of note:

- Environmental Health fees were the highest since 2012 (fees paid for services rendered).
- Dental services fee revenue was the highest since receiving the new mobile unit in 2019.
- Finished a multi-year overhaul of TCPH's vehicle fleet and now have fully updated fleet of 13 vehicles (some assigned to field staff, others on reserve as float vehicles).
  - Board members discussed particulars of county vehicles, depreciation value, etc. Ms. Vroman noted that TCPH is very fortunate, as some counties do not have vehicles for their staff and do not fund mileage for using personal vehicles.
- TVs have been upgraded in all Health & Human Services Building conference rooms because of Public Health.
- All Public Health staff have received updated laptops and cell phones, which is partly due to Public Health Infrastructure Grant (PHIG).
- With all savings and additional revenues, TCPH has returned \$575K to Tioga County (general fund)-helping to keep taxpayer money down.
- 2025 is going in the same direction so far, happy to report TCPH is in a good place.
  - Legislator Standinger complimented Mr. McCann, stating that he is glad he does what he does and he does his job well.

Mr. McCann also distributed a flyer to Board members and explained that it was created as a result of the Strategic Plan to show TCPH's taxpayer value. This is the first flyer created that will go out to the community, plan to have other versions with more explanation to be available electronically online; will also be sharing/presenting to various community groups.



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- Dr. Raftis inquired if other departments provide this information-Legislator Standinger noted that Public Health is definitely an exception. Ms. Vroman stated that this task was a specific goal to TCPH's Strategic Plan.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- Meeting Minutes (March 2025): Motion to approve prior minutes made by Dr. Kapur-Pado; seconded by Legislator Standinger, all were in favor, none opposed, motion approved.
- Legislator Standinger provided update on the county's issue with housing stray dogs. He stated that the Town of Owego has worked out an arrangement with Broome County Humane Society to house stray dogs for Tioga County townships. Offer has been extended to all towns, each contracting separately.
- Enforcements: Brief discussion of establishments noted as having repeat violations within a 12 month period. Ms. Vroman explained the types of violations seen and stated that Mr. Scherrer has been having staff complete inspections at times of the day where establishments are busier. Believe we are doing this properly now. The focus is on education and trying not to be punitive. Not having an issue with establishments being argumentative. Also discussed frequency of inspections.

### **NEW BUSINESS:** No new business items

### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** Ms. Vroman distributed and shared her Director's Report for April.

#### **Public Health Information:**

- Federal funding update- TCPH has not been impacted. Proposed cuts made to Public Health across New York State with the Fellowship Program; however, this has been paused. TCPH does not currently have a Fellow and would not be impacted.
- The governor's budget in New York State is on hold. Do not anticipate anything to be impacted locally. Hoping that we see an increase provided to Early Intervention providers (up to 9%). Only have five providers in Tioga County for the Early Intervention Program; hoping this will be passed to help our providers as well as try to gain additional providers.
- Measles outbreak-still only four confirmed cases in New York State, none in Tioga County. New York State put out a travel advisory. TCPH did not put out a travel advisory, and did not want to cause any panic to the community. Have been messaging to ensure children are fully vaccinated to school districts, home school population, daycare providers and have made contact with Amish communities in our area.
  - Mr. Simmons noted that he dropped off flyers to the Berkshire Amish community.
- Avian Flu-virus was detected in four bobcats, with one confirmed death. Live poultry markets in New York City, Westchester and Long Island were temporarily closed for testing. Have not received any new messaging from New York State Department of Health recently- human risk is still low.
- Respiratory illnesses continue to trend down in Tioga County. In last State call, noted that within the next couple of weeks flu will no longer be widespread.
  - Ms. Leary inquired if there has been any news on the flu vaccine for this upcoming flu season-Ms. Vroman stated that she has not heard anything yet but will inform as soon as ACIP shares information.

#### **Staffing Updates:**

- Ms. Holochak has assumed the new role of Public Health Project Coordinator and Ms. Bennett was promoted to the Senior Public Health Educator position.
- Currently have vacancy for Public Health Educator, which has been backfilled and will hopefully post vacancy shortly.
- Public Health Emergency Preparedness Coordinator position has been filled. Mackenzie Squair will be starting June 2nd.



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- Public Health Sanitarian position is still vacant (only received two applications); will be waiting one more week to start interviewing to see if any other applications come in. If not satisfied with candidates, will be looking at creative options-creating a Senior Public Health Sanitarian or another Public Health Technician.
  - Dr. Nytch offered that it may be beneficial to canvas within the military.

### Accomplished Activities:

- Ms. Holochak and Ms. Russell presented on a New York State Association for County Health Officials (NYSACHO) webinar discussing Tioga County ASAP initiatives and successes; including Public Access Narcan (PAN) Boxes and advertising methods. They had webinar attendees reach out after with compliments and inquiries.
  - Ms. Vroman explained what PAN Boxes are and how to access. Board members inquired on reporting methods for utilizing Narcan from PAN Boxes. Ms. Vroman stated that some numbers do get reported (and are shared in the Monthly Agency Report), but not accurate as reporting forms are generally not used; also an issue of confidentiality if only limited numbers are reported. Ms. Vroman stated that she will think on methods of reporting to share success stories and get back to the Board.
- Dental Van had a State audit for its School-Based program. Only had one finding from the audit, which she explained was an issue on reporting methods to the State that many counties have been submitting incorrectly. This has been explained and is now corrected. Auditors gave compliments on advertising and QA/QI program. Will share a copy of official results once available.
- Officially launched Municipay (new application for electronic payments) and our new electronic Temporary Food Permit Application. Have received at least one application via this system. We will be launching other Environmental Health applications in the future.
- Hosted Guthrie's new mobile maternity van and will continue to serve as a location in Owego.

### In Progress Tasks:

- Management Team has been participating in webinar series on "Empowered Leadership." Feel it has been a great tool for supervisors.
- Security Project for Dental Van Update-moving forward with Tru View who will be installing cameras, swipe doors and panic buttons by the end of this week. This is part of phase one, phase two will be scheduling meetings with school districts to discuss safety plans.
- Community Health Assessment is underway (distributed drafted survey to the Board). Ms. Vroman asked for the Board to review and provide any feedback via email. The survey will be distributed to the community electronically and in hardcopy. Anyone who is a Tioga County resident and over the age of 18 may complete. Goal is to have at least 1000 people complete.

### Other Information:

- As a heads up, an ATUPA violation will be coming through next month for Richford Cash and Carry for sale of flavored nicotine vape to an underage person and operating without a permit. As advised by New York State, issued stipulation and delivered in person requesting that they remove all tobacco products from shop. Have recently heard that they closed completely; do not know if they will pay fine. Will keep the Board posted.
- ASAP and Suicide Prevention Coalitions will not be merging at this time.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Five Board of Health Members were in attendance (all members listed above with the exception of Ms. Leary who had to depart early). Ms. Vroman, Mr. DeWind and Ms. Riegelman remained in attendance. Motion made by Mr. Simmons, seconded by Dr. Kapur-Pado, to move to Executive Session to discuss negotiables at 9:06 a.m. Motion carried. Motion made by Mr. Simmons, seconded by Legislator Standing, to adjourn Executive Session at 9:11 a.m. Motioned carried.

### **ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:**

- Ms. Vroman noted that the Village of Owego has begun digging a private well near the Tioga Castings site (about 150 feet away from site). The Department of Environmental Conservation



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(DEC) is aware. Mr. Scherrer reached out to the Department of Environmental Conservation to make them aware and are currently waiting to hear back. As soon as we hear anything, we will keep you informed.

- At next month's meeting we will be having the Management Team provide program updates.
- Dr. Raftis inquired about the homeless community in the Village of Owego (has been seeing comments on social media) and who is handling enforcement if trespassing is found on the Tioga Castings Site. Ms. Vroman stated that enforcement is not a Public Health function, but the Owego Police Department has been enforcing. She also noted that Mr. Scherrer has been trying to do regular checks at the Tioga Castings property to see if anyone is trespassing, and has not seen anything recently. Legislator Standinger stated that he has heard that some people are sneaking onto the property at night.

Adjournment of meeting called at 9:18 a.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Abigail Reigelman.

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Thomas Nych, DVM, President

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Abigail Reigelman; Secretary

Minutes approved May 15, 2025



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April 2025 Enforcements

<u>Business</u>	<u>Type of Violation</u>	<u>Fine Paid/Date</u>	<u>Repeat Violation(s) within 12 Month Period</u>
Harjinder Singh Subway (Apalachin) 6793 Rte 434 Apalachin, NY	Food	\$225.00 4/20/2025	No
Amy Armstrong Richford Shop 13298 NYS Rte 38; Ste 2 Richford, NY	Tobacco	\$350.00 4/25/2025	No



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Heather Vroman, MPH, MEd., Public Health Director



## **AGENCY REPORT**

**March 27-April 23, 2025**

### Highlights

- We recognized National Public Health Week (April 7-11), celebrating the work of our Public Health team! We did a social media campaign showcasing the importance of public health work in the community conducting interviews with WBNG and Fox 40. Public Health Administration hosted activities for staff throughout the week.
- Congratulations to Denis McCann for being nominated Tioga County Public Health Team Member of the First Quarter!
- We are excited to announce that the online resource CredibleMind is complete and ready for public use. This website contains tools and resources to support well-being and manage emotional distress. A promotional campaign will occur during May for Mental Health Awareness Month.
- The 2024 Communicable Disease Report has been finalized and we have begun distributing to our local provider offices.
- Presented Tioga Opportunities Family Health Clinic with a certificate for their meticulous health record documentation.
- Completed a presentation on Animal Bites and Potential Rabies Exposures directed toward law enforcement, first responders and 911 dispatch to train them on the process for handling any potential rabies exposures in Tioga County. The PowerPoint presentation has a voiceover and is viewable as a video to make it easier for those in the targeted professions to go through the brief training. At the end of the video there is an attestation to be completed to help our department track its effectiveness.
- NYSDOH conducted the School Based Dental Health Clinic triennial review at the Candor Elementary School. We received compliments for our dental program promotion and advertising, our proactiveness in our Quality Improvement security project and in taking steps to go paperless with our online Enrollment Form. Only one minor corrective action was noted in findings.
- Staff participated in Chalk the Walk for Child Abuse Prevention Month, which was organized by A New Hope Center. Public Health staff wrote messages of positivity and encouragement on the sidewalks at the Health & Human Services Building.
- Strategic Plan objective for creating Employee Engagement Survey with implementation of written plan for Employee Engagement is complete!

### Health Education

- The Health Education Team has been busy creating materials and learning more about the CredibleMind platform. Postcards, Facebook posts and other advertising materials have been created to help promote.
- Submitted grant request to the Mildred Faulkner Tuman Foundation to purchase car seats for the Child passenger Safety distribution program.
- Working with GIS Department to create a "Hot Spot" map to provide a visual depiction of which areas in the county have the most children with elevated blood lead levels.
- For the ASAP Coalition, our Coalition Evaluator came to meet with coalition members. During her time here, she held a training on evaluation and spent time meeting with paid coalition staff going through grant logic models and focus group questions. She also held a virtual training on how to facilitate a focus group/listening sessions.
- ASAP Coalition Coordinators and Deputy Director has a virtual meeting with Coalition Coordinator for Long Beach Aware Coalition to discuss alcohol compliance checks and to learn more about preparing for upcoming compliance checks in Tioga County.

- Working on wrapping up MRC STRONG deliverables. The only things left to submit are the MRC Unit Operations Playbook and the MRC Volunteer Handbook.

### **Environmental Health**

- For the Quality Improvement (QI) Project for Rabies Prevention and Control, the QI team met with program staff to discuss and brainstorm a work procedure/guide for new staff learning how to complete animal exposure investigations.
- Director and Secretary for Environmental Health presented to the Apalachin Fire Department on steps to take following an animal bite or potential rabies exposure.
- Collected water samples throughout the county as required for non-routine fluoride testing. The test detects naturally occurring fluoride.
- Through the Floyd Hooker Grant for lead remediation, we had our first visit where we were able to give out remediation products including our new paint vouchers among other supplies.

### **Patient Services (EI, Dental, Clinic)**

- Senior Early Intervention Service Coordinator did outreach at the Apalachin Library during their story time. There was a huge turnout, which was a perfect opportunity to showcase EI services,
- Both Service Coordinators attended the Early Intervention & Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs Summit in Albany.
- EI continues to see an increase in children needing services. Meanwhile, the provider shortage becomes worse, with Tioga now losing two therapists.
- Cradlepoint has been completed on the dental van and is now fully connected to the County network.
- Had two demos for new cloud-based dental software that will allow dental staff to access information from the mobile unit and from other locations within Tioga County.
- Director of Dental Health Services met with representatives from Dentaquest, emedny, UHC/Healthplex and Delt Dental/CDPHP to discuss upcoming billing changes to take effect May 1<sup>st</sup>. We are prepared for these changes!
- For Quality Improvement Dental Van Security Project, moving forward with Trueview Security to install door locks, cameras, panic buttons and intercom system on the dental van.
- Public Health Nurse attended the Tuberculosis Intensive Course put on by Rutgers Medical School in New Jersey, a four-day conference which provided valuable information on TB cases.
- Public Health Nurse attended the Psychological First Aid Train the Trainer training, which will prepare her to train individuals who will train others in Psychological First Aid for our Medical Reserve Corp (MRC). Program.
- Communicable disease continues to monitor measles trends for New York State and is staying trained and prepared for any cases, should they occur.

### **Administrative Services**

- Held our annual spring clean up day April 4<sup>th</sup>. Lots of tasks were accomplished. Also as a result of the day we were able to unload several pages of our fixed assets!
- Preschool Provider contracts have been mailed out!
- We received the new Ford Maverick to add to our vehicle fleet!
- Annual review of Tioga County Public Health Administrative Policies was completed.
- All Staff meeting held. Discussed travel expectations and return requirements.
- At April's Board of Health meeting, Director of Administrative Services attended to provide fiscal update.



### Ongoing Support/Partnerships

- Advocacy, Support & Prevention (ASAP) Coalition
- Child Fatality Review Team
- Family Enrichment Network (Head Start)
- Lourdes PACT Advisory Board
- Mothers and Babies Perinatal Network
- New York State Association of County Health Officials (NYSACHO)
- New York State Association for Rural Health (NYSARH)
- New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC)
- Racker Center
- Rural Health Network
- Safe Harbor Committee
- S2AY Pivotal Partners Finger Lakes
- Team Tioga
- Tioga County Board of Health
- Tioga County Commissioner's Advisory Council
- Tioga County Council of Governments
- Tioga County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)
- Tioga County Mental Health Sub-Committee
- Tioga County Non-Profit Network
- Tioga County Threat Assessment Management Team
- Tioga Opportunities

### Attachments:

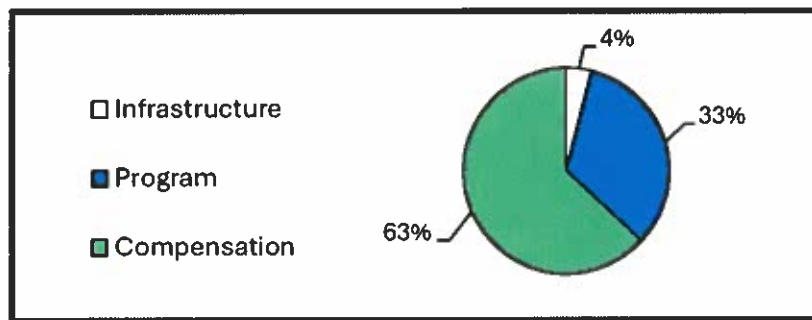
1. Financial Snapshot, YTD thru April 2025.
2. Photographs: Certificate Presented to Tioga Opportunities Family Health Clinic, D. McCann Employee of the First Quarter 2025, TCPH Staff Chalk the Walk Inspirational Messages.
3. Advertisements: "Tioga County Public Health," "April is Alcohol Awareness Month," Owego Pennysaver, April 6, 2025.
4. Guest Editorial: "Meth Use and its effect," Owego Pennysaver, April 6, 2025.
5. Flyer: "What the Health!?", April 2025.
6. Bulletin Boards: "Be a Parent, Not a Bartender," "The Earth's Health Is Our Health," Health & Human Services Building, Owego, April 2025.
7. Bulletin Board: "Don't Get Sick from a Tick!," 56 Main Street, Owego, April 2025
8. Billboard: "Be a Parent Not Bartender," Various Locations, April 2025.
9. Data Spreadsheet March 27- April 23, 2025.

**Financial Snapshot**  
**Year-to-date through March 2025<sup>\*1,2,3</sup>**

	<b>Budget 2025</b>	<b>Actual YTD 2025</b>	<b>Percentage of 2025 Budget</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>			
Fees	1,265,635	123,410	10 %
State/Federal	4,086,973	0	0 %
Local	3,330,877	1,028,631	31 %
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8,683,485</b>	<b>1,152,041</b>	<b>13 %</b>

<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Compensation	2,862,548	718,385	25 %
Program Expense	5,371,338	384,242	7 %
Core Infrastructure	449,599	49,414	11 %
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8,683,485</b>	<b>1,152,041</b>	<b>13 %</b>

**Allocation of Expenses**  
**Year-to-date through March 2025**



**\*Notes:**

1. These figures represent the most recent 'closed out' month by the Treasurer.
2. Most of January & February revenue are adjusted back to prior year as payments during this time are for services performed in the prior year. State Aid reimbursement is reported a couple months after each quarter ends.
3. Additional funds not including in the reported numbers above are JUUL Settlement Funds & ASAP Coalition grants. These are excluded as they are outside of our County approved budgets and would skew the figures to not being accurate reflections of financial status.



H. Vroman, PHD & L. Dorsey, PHN, Presenting Certificate of Appreciation to Tioga Opportunities Family health Clinic Staff, April 2025.

D. McCann, Employee of the First Quarter 2025, April 2025



TCPH Staff's Chalk the Walk Inspirational Messages for Child Abuse Prevention Month, April 2025

# Tioga County Public Health

## Who We Are:

Tioga County Public Health's mission is to protect and promote the health and well-being of our community through advocacy, education, enforcement, prevention and partnerships.

We strive to serve as the public health leader to ensure the needs of our community are met through an integrated and coordinated network of resources that empower people to improve their quality of life.



Heather Vroman, Public Health Director

## What We Do:

### Community Health

- Child Passenger Safety
- Lead Poisoning Prevention
- Opioid Overdose Prevention
- Public Health Preparedness
- Substance Use Prevention
- Welcome Baby Outreach

### Environmental Health Services

- Animal Bite Investigations
- Food Inspections & Permitting
- Rabies Vaccination Clinics
- Septic System Design
- Water Testing
- Well Head Replacement

### Patient Services

- Child Find
- Communicable Disease Investigation
- Early Intervention

## April is Alcohol Awareness Month

### Know the facts!

**32%** of Tioga County youth report having alcohol in their life.

Underage drinking can change the brain structure and function of teens, making it more likely they will have long term consequences of use.

**13.2** is the average age of Tioga County youth's first time trying alcohol. Tioga County youth start drinking earlier than the rest of New York and the U.S.

Tioga County	13.2
New York State	13.9
U.S.	15

Youth who start drinking before 15 are 5X more likely to become dependent on alcohol!

**46%** of Tioga County youth get their alcohol at home with a parent's permission. Parents play a huge role in shaping youth's attitudes towards alcohol. When parents provide alcohol to their youth, there is an increased risk of future misuse.

**Be a parent, not a bartender!** Ensure all your alcohol is put away and out of accessibility to youth. Set clear expectations on your thoughts on alcohol use and be consistent in enforcing rules.

For more information on youth and alcohol use, visit our website at [tiogahealth.org](http://tiogahealth.org)

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## Guest Editorial: Meth Use and its effect

**BY KRISTIN RUSSELL  
ON BEHALF OF TIOGA  
COUNTY ASAP**

Methamphetamine (commonly referred to as "meth") use continues in rural communities, such as Tioga County. Overdose deaths from stimulants (other than cocaine) have tripled between 2015-2019; methamphetamine and other synthetic stimulants are responsible for approx-

imately 30% of overdose-related deaths. In 2024, approximately 2.5 million people reported methamphetamine use in the past 12 months.

Meth is a powerful and highly addictive stimulant drug that affects the central nervous system. Meth can have devastating effects on the body and brain. It works by triggering the release of dopamine, a neurotrans-

mitter that influences feelings of pleasure and reward. This causes an intense euphoria, which contributes to its addictive potential.

Some early signs of methamphetamine use are hyperactivity, dilated pupils, noticeable and sudden weight loss, skin sores, rapid eye movements, reduced appetite, agitation, erratic sleep patterns, and out-

bursts or mood swings.

Long-term methamphetamine use can lead to severe health problems, including heart disease, stroke, dental decay, extreme weight loss, and cognitive impairments. Psychologically, users may experience anxiety, paranoia, hallucinations, and violent behavior. Prolonged use can also lead to irreversible brain damage, affecting memory, decision-making,

and motor skills.

Methamphetamine addiction is notoriously difficult to treat, but recovery is possible with a combination of behavioral therapies, support systems, and, in some cases, medications. Prevention continues to remain the most effective strategy, as the risks associated with meth use are high and often life-threatening.

By staying informed

about the early signs, it is possible to address methamphetamine use before it's too late.

For more information on methamphetamines, visit <https://www.samhsa.gov/substance-use/learn/stimulants>. If you or someone you love needs help for methamphetamine use, please contact Tioga County Mental Hygiene at (607) 687-4000.

Guest Editorial: Owego Pennsaver, April 6, 2025



# What the Health!?

April 2025

## Did you know?

**New Yorkers spend on average \$7,282 on menstruation products in their lifetime!**

**Affording feminine hygiene products can be a barrier for some women to reproductive health.**

**Tioga Opportunities Inc Family Health Clinic offers free menstruation products. Pre-made bags can be picked up at the clinic or delivered to your home. Message the Tioga Opportunities Inc Family Health Clinic through social media or call 607-687- 5333**

## Testicular Cancer

is the Most Common Cancer in Men Ages 15 - 44!



Men should start conducting monthly self-exams at the age of 15 and continue through their 20s and 30s.

**Are you doing your monthly checks? They're simple. Here's how!**

1. Cup one testicle at a time using both hands.
2. Examine by rolling the testicle between the thumb and fingers.
3. Look and feel for any hard lumps or any changes in the size, shape, or consistency of the testicles.

## April is Alcohol Awareness Month What are we seeing in Tioga County?

**46%**

of Tioga County youth get their alcohol at home with a parent's permission.

Parents play a huge role in shaping youth's attitudes towards alcohol. When parents provide alcohol to their youth, there is an increased risk of future misuse!

**13.2**

is the average age of Tioga County youth who try alcohol.

This is higher than the U.S. average age of 15!

**Youth who start drinking before 15 are 5X more likely to become dependent on alcohol!**

April 21st - 28th is  
**National Infant Immunization Week**



**Don't fall behind on vaccines!**

The Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommended vaccination schedule protects against 14 serious diseases by the age of 2.

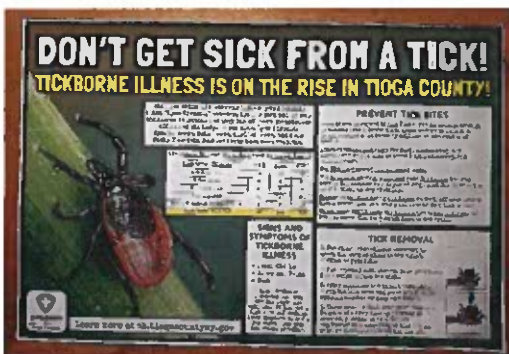
**For the birth - 6 immunization schedule scan the QR code!**







Bulletin Boards: Health & Human Services Building, Owego, NY, April 2025.



Bulletin Board: 56 Main Street, Owego, NY, April 2025.



Billboard: Various Locations, April 2025



# DATA SPREADSHEET

March 27- April 23, 2025

<b>PUBLIC HEALTH ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>Y-E 2023</b>	<b>Y-E 2024</b>	<b>Mar-25</b>	<b>Apr-25</b>	<b>Y-T-D</b>
<b>Community Health</b>					
Communicable Disease	2438	3082	273	120	1526
- General Infectious Diseases (Campylobacterious, Salmonellosis, etc.)	61	330	46	12	289
- Zoonotic Diseases (Anaplasmosis, Lyme, etc.)	375	352	10	13	54
- Vaccine-Preventable Diseases (COVID-19, Influenza, etc.)	1897	2281	213	86	1152
Child Passenger Safety Seats Inspected	47	49	3	4	12
- Child Seats FAILED Inspection	36	40	3	2	9
Immunizations: Total Child and Adult	62	87	0	2	9
Children Lead Tested (6 years and under)	913	812	98	81	304
Newly Identified Children with Elevated Blood Lead Levels	22	10	1	0	1
Current Children with EBLL Caseload	N/A	NA	19	19	N/A
- Welcome Baby Packets Mailed	77	298	33	20	123
People Trained w/ Narcan	145	96	0	0	0
<b>Dental</b>					
New Clients	311	325	38	41	162
Dental Screenings	1141	1227	149	99	478
- Clients with Low Decay Risk	374	461	26	13	128
-Clients with Moderate Decay Risk	419	274	50	32	140
- Clients with High Decay Risk	344	493	72	53	209
Extractions	102	170	29	20	79
<b>Children Services</b>					
Early Intervention Referrals	206	195	18	14	51
- Early Intervention CURRENT Caseload *Monthly total	N/A	N/A	41	46	N/A
- EI children waiting for service(s)	N/A	34	8	9	N/A
<b>Preschool</b>					
- Children in tuition based program	N/A	349	22	24	N/A
- Children receiving transportation services under Serafini contract	N/A	223	13	15	N/A
- Children receiving transportation by parents	N/A	126	9	9	N/A
<b>Child Find</b>					
- Current Children being served	N/A	N/A	21	20	N/A

<b>Environmental Health</b>	<b>Y-E 2023</b>	<b>Y-E 2024</b>	<b>Mar-25</b>	<b>Apr-25</b>	<b>Y-T-D</b>
Animal bite investigations	198	238	23	19	73
- Individuals requiring Rabies Series (N)	2	51	2	0	2
Rabies Clinics	8	9	1	0	2
- Number of Animals Vaccinated	1098	1377	82	0	249
Food Establishment Inspections	247	228	20	17	72
Temporary Food Inspections	66	62	1	1	3
Clean Indoor Air Act Complaints (Smoking)	0	1	0	2	3
Mobile Home Park Inspections	37	35	7	6	16
Swimming Pool Inspections	11	11	0	0	0
Tanning Inspections	1	2	0	0	0
ATUPA Checks (Underage Tobacco Sales)	108	116	38	0	73
- ATUPA Violations	3	2	1	0	1
Wellhead Replacement Projects In Progress	N/A	60	10	8	37
Wellhead Replacement Projects Completed	N/A	30	0	3	5
Children's Camp Inspections	7	13	0	0	0
Agriculture Fairground Inspections	2	3	0	0	0
Nuisance Complaints	7	25	4	5	17
Enforcement Actions	72	45	5	1	22
<b>Weights &amp; Measures</b>					
Inspection Sites	110	201	16	14	52
-Devices Inspected	604	448	20	26	100
Training Hrs./Equipment Maintenance	27	43	6	4	16
<b>Fiscal-Electronic Payments &amp; Applications</b>					
Total Number of Electronic Payments (All Programs)	N/A	N/A	6	11	26
Total Dollar Amount of Electronic Payments Received (All Programs)	N/A	N/A	\$2,033	\$3,418	\$6,997.2
Number of Electronic Applications Received	N/A	N/A	0	2	2