



Tioga County Public Health Department

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HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE – TUESDAY DECEMBER 7, 2021

PUBLIC HEALTH

PERSONNEL:

- None

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS:

- Agency Report for November 2021
- Agency Financials November 2021

RESOLUTION:

- Authorize Exception to Employee Handbook Section IV. Personnel Rules- Subsection J: Non-Union Vacation
- Amend Budget & Appropriate Funds
- Reappoint Member to the Tioga County Board of Health (Standinger)
- Reappoint Member to the Tioga County Board of Health (Kapur-Pado)
- Authorize Creation of Full Time Local Coordinator Position
- Authorize Creation Temporary Full Time Office Specialist I Position
- Amend Budget & Appropriate Funds

PROCLAMATION:

- Fire Prevention Month (New, Adam Ace to receive)

REFERRED TO:

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE
PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. -21

AUTHORIZE EXCEPTION TO EMPLOYEE
HANDBOOK SECTION IV. PERSONNEL RULES –
SUBSECTION J: NON-UNION VACATION

WHEREAS: Public Health has experienced significant and ongoing staffing coverage issues working throughout the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS: The Employee Handbook Section IV. Personnel Rules - Subsection J. Non-Union Vacation Policy dictates the rules regarding vacation accruals and carry-over for Non-Union staff; and

WHEREAS: The Policy allows for carry-over of 20 days of vacation from one anniversary to the next; and

WHEREAS: Due to the responsibilities related to the ongoing response, a TCPH non-union employee has been unable to utilize their vacation time and is in jeopardy of losing earned vacation days; and

WHEREAS: Public Health requests that during this unique and exceptional pandemic circumstance this employee be granted exception and to cash-in the vacation days in jeopardy of being lost; and

WHEREAS: Funds for this "cash-in" are available in the 2021 Public Health budget and are fully reimbursable without any County cost; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the County Legislature hereby authorizes an exception to Employee Handbook Section IV. Personnel Rules – Subsection J. Non-Union Vacation Policy due to the current and ongoing pandemic, for Lisa McCafferty to cash-in 88 hours Vacation that are in excess of the allowable 20-day carryover on her anniversary date (December 14th) at an amount not to exceed \$4,500.

REFERRED TO: HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE
FINANCE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. -21 AMEND BUDGET & APPROPRIATE FUNDS
PUBLIC HEALTH

WHEREAS: Tioga County Public Health has been awarded additional funding from New York State Department of Health; and

WHEREAS: The funding is designated for the Healthy Neighborhoods Program; and

WHEREAS: Amending of Budget and Appropriation of Funds requires Legislative approval; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That funding be appropriated as follows:

From: A4090 434640 Environmental Health: State Aid \$ 50,000

To: A4090 540595 Environmental Health: Services \$ 50,000

And be it further

RESOLVED: That available funds on 12/31/21 of the original \$50,000 will be carried forward into the New Year.

REFERRED TO: HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. -21 REAPPOINT MEMBER TO THE
TIOGA COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

WHEREAS: Section 344 of the Public Health Law requires that members of the Board of Health shall serve six (6) year staggered terms; and

WHEREAS: The appointed term for William Standinger III on the Board of Health expires 12/31/21; and

WHEREAS: Legislative representatives on the Board of Health serve only the length of their elected term; and

WHEREAS: William Standinger III has agreed to serve for another term; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That William Standinger III be re-appointed to the Board of Health for a term of 1/1/22-12/31/24.

REFERRED TO:

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. -21

REAPPOINT MEMBER TO THE
TIOGA COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

WHEREAS: Section 344 of the Public Health Law requires that members of the Board of Health shall serve six (6) year staggered terms; and

WHEREAS: The appointed term for Rani Kapur-Pado, DO, on the Board of Health expires 12/31/21; and

WHEREAS: The Board of Health recommends re-appointment and Dr. Kapur-Pado has agreed to serve for another term; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That Rani Kapur-Pado, DO, be re-appointed to the Board of Health for a term of 1/1/22-12/31/27.

REFERRED TO: HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE
PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. -21 AUTHORIZE CREATION OF FULL-TIME
LOCAL COORDINATOR POSITION
PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS: Legislative approval is required to create positions within Tioga County; and

WHEREAS: Funding requirements from New York State have resulted in the immediate need for the Tioga County Public Health Department to create a full-time position to oversee contractual Public Health Fellows providing COVID related services to the citizens of Tioga County; and

WHEREAS: The Public Health Department has provided the Personnel Department with a job description approved by New York State to fulfill said duties; and

WHEREAS: Funding for the position is through the Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) Public Fellows grant that is to be appropriated under Resolution L54 in December 2021; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Legislature approves the creation of a full-time Local Coordinator position at an annual salary of \$50,000 (Non-union) effective January 1, 2022; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the authorized full time head count shall increase from 30 to 31.

REFERRED TO: HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. -21 AUTHORIZE CREATION
TEMPORARY FULL TIME OFFICE SPECIALIST I
POSITION
PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS: Legislative approval is required to create positions within Tioga County; and

WHEREAS: Requirements related to COVID Pandemic from New York State have resulted in immediate need for the Tioga County Public Health Department to create a full-time temporary administrative support position to assist with COVID related services; and

WHEREAS: The Public Health Department has provided the Personnel Department with a request to create a full time Office Specialist I position to be filled on a temporary, two year duration; and

WHEREAS: The funding for this position is through the Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) grant which was appropriated by Tioga County Legislative Resolution #20-160; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Legislature approves the creation of a temporary, full time Office Specialist I position an hourly rate of \$13.20 effective January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2023

REFERRED TO:

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE
FINANCE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. -21

AMEND BUDGET & APPROPRIATE FUNDS
PUBLIC HEALTH

WHEREAS: Tioga County Public Health has been awarded additional funding from the CDC passed through NYSDOH; and

WHEREAS: The funding is specifically designated for Public Health efforts toward COVID-19 as Public Health Fellows as part of the Epidemiology & Laboratory Capacity (ELC) in Tioga County; and

WHEREAS: The budget accounts will utilize Munis project codes for county-wide reporting of COVID-19 expenses and revenues; and

WHEREAS: Funds may require future transfers to more appropriate budget lines based upon modifications and approvals from NYS & CDC; and

WHEREAS: Amending of Budget and Appropriation of Funds requires Legislative approval; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That Legislature authorizes the Budget Officer to make necessary account transfers as required for these funds, per future modifications approvals from NYS; and be it further

RESOLVED: That funding be appropriated as follows:

From: A4011 434011-ELC2 Public Health: State Aid/ELC2 \$719,282

To: A4011 540487-ELC2 Public Health: Program Exp/ELC2 \$719,282

And be it further

RESOLVED: That available funds on 12/31/21 of the original \$719,282 will be carried forward into the New Year.

**COUNTY OF TIOGA
EXECUTIVE PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS: Cooking and heating are the leading causes of home fires and fire injuries, and the winter months are the peak time for fire-related deaths; and

WHEREAS: Fires are a leading cause of death for children ages one to fourteen, and one death from a preventable fire is one too many; and

WHEREAS: Tioga County has 20 active fire departments that protect and serve our community; and

WHEREAS: It crucial to promote fire prevention methods such as staying alert when cooking, keeping flammable objects away from stoves and heating sources, checking and replacing old or frayed cords, and keeping matches and lighters out of reach of children; and

WHEREAS: Ensuring smoke alarms are properly installed and working are also of the utmost importance; and

WHEREAS: Tioga County Public Health encourages citizens to develop and practice fire escape plans to protect their loved ones in the event of a house fire; therefore

The TIOGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE, County of Tioga, does hereby proclaim the month of December 2021 as:

FIRE PREVENTION MONTH IN TIOGA COUNTY

and urges all residents to utilize Tioga County Public Health's Healthy Neighborhoods program for home safety checks and fire prevention education.

Dated: December 14, 2021

MARTHA SAUERBREY, CHAIR
TIOGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE



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INTERNAL MEMO

TO: **William H. Standinger, III; Chair, HHS Committee**
FROM: Lisa C. McCafferty, R.S., MPH; Public Health Director
CC: Marte Sauerbrey; Chair, Tioga County Legislature
DATE: December 7, 2021
RE: **Agency Report- November 2021**

Attached is our agency report for presentation at the HHS Committee meeting.



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NOTEWORTHY ITEMS, UPDATES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- In honor of Veteran's Day, Albert Knapp and Mark Griep were recognized by the County for serving in the military.
- Todd K. is training on Communicable Disease.
- We tabled at the Veteran's Fair.
- Early Intervention referrals have increased. We are continuing to see provider shortage.
- Provided car seats to Serafini Transportation for Tioga County children.
- The dental van has moved to Tioga Central School District and we continue to see an increased need for our services. Dr. Sarnicola and Janice H. have added several days to their schedule to accommodate our patient demand. Kim T. is placing a lot of sealants and fluoride, making up for lost time due to Covid.
- Maggie M. and Laura B. virtually attended the NYSACHO Immunization Conference.
- Denis M. attended Article 6 State Aid training and Laura S. attended the County's MUNIS training.
- Ongoing support/partnership in: Team Tioga, Safe Harbor Committee, Allies in Substance Abuse Prevention (ASAP), Tioga County Immunization Coalition, Anti-Hunger Task Force, Tioga County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC), Child Fatality Review, Care Compass Network PAC Executive Council, Tioga County Council of Governments, Board of Health, Rural Economic Partnership (REAP), and External Community Advisory Board MPH Program at Binghamton University.

Continuing with COVID-19

- Active Cases are at an all-time high, with average daily case count at approximately 45.
- We're assisting local nursing home with Covid; have provided educational materials.
- Promoting Covid booster shots for Moderna, Pfizer and Janssen (Johnson & Johnson), which are now eligible for anyone 18 and older. Also disseminating educational material about Pfizer Covid vaccine which is now eligible for children 5-11 years old.
- [Workbook:NYS-COVID-Tracker](#) and/or [Coronavirus COVID-19\(2019-nCoV_\(arcgis.com\)\)](#) to see updated data points (national and state) about COVID cases, comorbidities, demographics.

- As of November 30, 2021:

New York State	National
Total Known Cases: 2,810, 593	Total Known Cases: 49,301,070
Total Known Deaths: 58,032	Total Known Deaths: 801,326
Total Known Recoveries: 2,343,218	Total Known Recoveries: 39,032,255

- Go to [Workbook: NYS-COVID19-Tracker](#) to see New York State COVID-19-related fatalities by County. This includes the total fatalities that have at least one underlying comorbidity; snapshot from data taken on November 28, 2021 is shown in attachments.

- Current Numbers To Date:
 - **621** Days Since Public Health EOC activated (3/14/2020)
 - **6,135** Confirmed Cases
 - **16,197** Quarantine/ Isolation Orders Issued
 - **4,218** Household Trips/Deliveries
 - **183** Complaints
 - **3,819** Facebook Likes
 - **900** Facebook Posts
 - **43** Media Interviews
 - **88** Press Releases

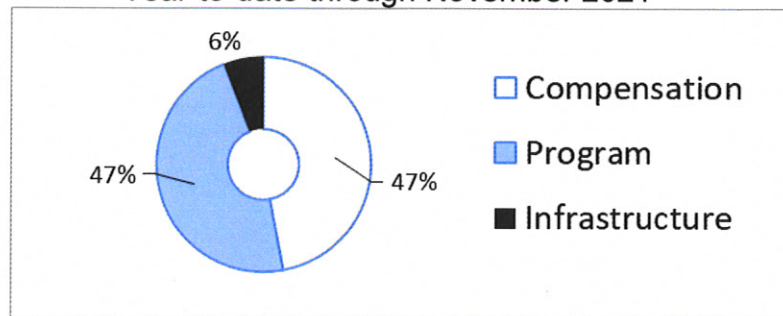
Attachments:

1. Financial Snapshot November 2021.
2. Data Report November 2021.
3. Photograph: Snapshot of Data from Workbook:NYS-COVID19-Tracker, November 28, 2021.
4. Article: "Wait is Health department's Employee of the 3rd Quarter," Tioga County Courier, November 17, 2021.
5. Advertisement: "We Are Hiring...Public Health Nurse," Press & Sun Bulletin, October 28, 2021.
6. Article: "County Reports 168 New Cases," Candor Chronicle," November 3, 2021
7. Article: "Tioga County COVID-19 update for October 27-November 2, 2021," Owego Pennysaver, November 7, 2021.
8. Article: "Tioga County COVID-19 Update for November 10-November 16, 2021," Owego Pennysaver, November 21, 2021.
9. Advertisement: "Pfizer [...] for Children 5-11 Years Old!," Owego Pennysaver, November 14, 2021.
10. Advertisement: " COVID-19 Booster Shots," Tioga County Courier, October 27, 2021.
11. Flyer: "Healthy Weight," November 2021.
12. Flyer: "Protect them from Lead!," November 2021.
13. Flyer: "Roll up your sleeves Tioga County!," November 2021.
14. Flyer: "What The Health!?", November 2021.
15. Billboards: Bats-Rabies Flu Shot, November 2021.

Financial Snapshot November 2021

	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	2019 Actual	2020 Actual	2021 Budget	Actual thru November* ^{1,4}	Percentage of 2021 Budget
Revenues							
Fees	742,121	1,100,359	1,112,262	739,661	1,119,950	428,323	38 %
State/Federal	2,040,481	2,680,110	2,704,275	2,047,032	2,297,657	1,610,233	70 %
Local	2,360,036	2,147,623	2,103,208	1,924,103	3,022,708	1,885,298	62 %
TOTAL	5,142,638	5,928,092	5,919,745	4,710,796	6,440,315	3,923,854	61 %
Expenses							
Compensation	1,721,424	1,734,508	1,728,302	1,889,627	2,214,152	1,840,131	83 %
Program Expense	3,206,083	3,671,760	3,661,604	2,518,252	3,878,672	1,855,130	48 %
Core Infrastructure	215,131	521,824	529,838	302,917	347,491	228,593	66 %
TOTAL	5,142,638	5,928,092	5,919,745	4,710,796	6,440,315	3,923,854	61 %
FTE: 2021 Approved Headcount of 35 FTE: 31 FT & 4 PT	22.6	23.8	26.3	23.7	29.2	-----	-----

Allocation of Expenses Year-to-date through November 2021*^{1,4}



- *Notes:
1. The "Financial Snapshot" & "Allocation of Expenses" represent figures as of this report date (11.29.2021), and are not the FINAL November 2021 figures.
 2. During 2020, the Legislature required a 10% cut in expenses from all County departments. This was removed from the Expense side of the ledger, but not the offsetting revenue portion, thus inflating the reported "Local Share" of Public Health by nearly \$375K.
 3. Governor Cuomo placed a "20% withhold" on some revenues. NYS has said that the 'withholds' could be temporary, and that if NYS receives additional Federal assistance they may pay us the withheld amounts. Update: We have begun to receive these withheld payments.
 4. COVID Specific funds have been removed from these tables, as they skew the numbers due to their large amounts. Currently over 1.7 million has been appropriated of Covid funding within Public Health.

2021 Data Report

PUBLIC HEALTH ACTIVITIES	Y-E 2019	Y-E 2020	Nov-21	Y-T-D
Community Health				
Healthy Neighborhoods Program Visits	327	94	13	112
Communicable Disease	464	618	0	0
- Respiratory (Legionellosis, Strep)	31	143	1	4
- Influenza	606	571	3	3
- Tick caused	57	19	7	98
- Hepatitis	34	20	8	47
- Gastrointestinal Disease	16	16	5	35
- PPD Test Administered	38	5	0	0
Child Passenger Safety Seats Inspected	84	6	0	20
- Child Seats FAILED Inspection	72	5	0	10
PH Interns	5	1	0	1
Immunizations total child and adult	120	35	0	0
People Trained w/ Narcan	18	9	0	2
Narcan Distributed	105	41	0	124
Dental				
New Clients	637	124	48	122
Dental Screenings	1850	631	131	705
- Clients with no tooth decay	499	237	23	310
- Clients WITH tooth decay	601	116	61	275
- Clients with EXTENSIVE tooth decay	722	251	47	104
Extractions	161	91	21	168
Children Services				
Children w/Special Health Care Needs NEW Referrals	25	11	0	7
- Current Children being served	n/a	104	9	83
Environmental Health				
Animal bite investigations	197	119	8	140
Rabies Clinics	9	2	1	6
- Number of Animals	1016	391	179	1098
Food Establishment Inspections	235	81	30	159
- Establishments with Violation	35	10	2	24
Temporary Food Inspections	68	2	0	8
- Clean Indoor Air Act Violations (Smoking)	1	0	0	0
Mobile Home Park Inspections	30	3	6	30
Children's Camps	9	5	0	4
Agriculture Fairgrounds	2	0	0	2
Nuisance Complaints	25	58	1	16
Enforcement Actions	48	11	2	29
Weights & Measures				
Inspection Sites	82	69	8	100
- Devices Inspected	432	277	141	374
Petroleum Quality Samples Taken	0	0	0	0
COVID-19				
* Days Public Health EOC activated from year start		285	N/A	336
Total COVID Cases for period			1082	4603
Individuals Tracked		5849	2195	11563
Calls Taken		15257	298	7549
Quarantine/Isolation Orders Issued		4323	2299	11874
Household Trips/deliveries		2518	92	1700
COVID-19 Related Complaints		144	1	39
Vaccination Clinics			0	36

* EOC originally activated starting 3/14/20

11/24/2021

Top 10 Comorbidities by Age Group (42,667 out of 46,484 (91.8%) total fatalities have at least one comorbidity)

	Hypertension	Diabetes	Hyperlipidemia	Dementia	Coronary Artery Disease	Renal Disease	Copd	Cancer	Atrial Fibrillation	Congestive Heart Failure
Grand Total	24,958	15,792	10,042	6,133	6,102	5,333	5,013	4,402	4,334	3,193
0 to 9	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0
10 to 19	1	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
20 to 29	19	31	5	0	0	8	0	11	0	3
30 to 39	136	137	31	0	5	48	4	19	3	11
40 to 49	485	430	130	3	39	144	37	56	18	29
50 to 59	1,847	1,533	676	50	278	434	261	248	99	139
60 to 69	4,703	3,506	1,901	270	1,012	1,041	845	786	434	430
70 to 79	7,126	4,925	3,046	1,120	1,863	1,546	1,578	1,347	1,106	835
80 to 89	7,056	3,866	2,908	2,485	2,061	1,507	1,534	1,363	1,659	1,080
90 and Over	3,583	1,360	1,344	2,204	844	605	753	568	1,015	665
Unknown	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1

Workbook: NYS-COVID-19-Tracker Snapshot from Website
 Data Taken November 28, 2021

Wait is Health department's Employee of the 3rd Quarter

Congratulations to Katie Wait for being named the 2021 Employee of the 3rd Quarter for Tioga County Public Health. Wait joined Tioga County Public Health in May 2019 as a Public Health Educator and Emergency Preparedness Coordinator. Wait has been an instrumental member of the team throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. One of her recent noteworthy assignments has been scheduling and coordinating COVID-19 vaccination clinics throughout Tioga County. She has also recruited many new members to be



part of the Tioga County Medical Reserve Corps. Without this group of volunteers many of our COVID-19 vaccination clinics would not have been able to take place. She is also a Case Investigator, and more recently has taken on the role of being a COVID-19 School Liaison for Waverly and Spencer School Districts. Outside of Emergency Preparedness work, Wait truly loves to offer health education information. Wait also has a great working relationship with many other agencies in the county and is a positive representative for her department on different committees she participates in, say administrators. Outside of work Wait enjoys spending time with her husband Joe and going for long motorcycle rides.

Tioga County Courier 11/17/21

WE ARE HIRING!

Join the Tioga County Public Health Team as a Public Health Nurse

Primary Duties Include:

Communicable Disease Control • COVID-19 Case Investigations

- Child and Adult Immunizations & Clinics
- Childhood Lead Case Management

35 Hour Work Week
Salary: \$55,917

For more information and to apply, Please go to
<http://www.tiogacountyny.com/departments/Personnel-civil-service/>



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COME HELP US SERVE TIOGA COUNTY!

Press + Sun Bulletin 10/28/21



County Reports 168 New Cases

STAFF REPORTS

The Tioga County Health Department recently announced the county COVID-19 numbers for the week between Oct. 20 and Oct. 26.

There were 168 new cases; of these, 71 were in people who were unvaccinated, and 66 were in people who were vaccinated. Twenty-five of them were in children under the age of 12. Unknown Vaccination Status: 6

There were five hospitalizations and five deaths, and there are currently a total of 217 active cases in Tioga County.

Vaccination status is self-reported

by the positive case or their parent/guardian during the case investigation. Several factors may affect one's protection against COVID-19 including which vaccine they received, how long it has been since they were vaccinated, and what precautions they are taking to protect themselves from COVID-19.

The COVID-19 vaccine offers protection against severe illness and hospitalization. We encourage eligible individuals to get vaccinated.

The COVID-19 Booster shot has been approved! Individuals who received the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine 6 months ago or more and who are part of one of the following groups may now get their booster shot:

- 65 years and older
- Age 18+ who live in long-term care settings
- Age 18+ who have underlying medical conditions
- Age 18+ who work or live in high-risk settings

A booster shot is also recommended for anyone over 18 who received the Johnson & Johnson vaccine 2 months ago or more, regardless if they are in one of the above groups. Eligible individuals may choose which vaccine they receive as a booster dose.

All three of the COVID-19 vaccines continue to be highly effective in reducing risk of severe disease, hospitalization, and death. Vaccination remains the best way to protect yourself and reduce the spread of the virus. To find a location to get your COVID-19 booster shot, please visit <https://www.vaccines.gov/> or contact your primary care provider.

Tioga County Public Health continues to encourage members of our community to stay home if they are sick as there are many different contagious infections circulating around our community including COVID-19, RSV, Strep Throat, and more. They also encourage everyone 6 months and older to get their annual flu shot.

Candor Chronicle
11/3/21

Tioga County COVID-19 update for October 27 – November 2, 2021

Tioga County's Public Health Department recently released the COVID-19 case breakdown in Tioga County, N.Y. from Oct. 27 to Nov. 2 as follows.

Owego Penny Saver 11/7/2021

According to the department there were 184 new cases during this time frame, with 70 unvaccinated and 68 vaccinated; there were 36 children under 12 reported as having tested positive for COVID, and there were 10 individuals with an unknown vaccination status; there were seven hospitalizations. Sadly, there were two deaths reported. There are 226 current active cases.

The data provided is a snapshot of what is reported to the county through different avenues. Vaccination status is self-reported by the positive case or the parent / guardian during the case investigation. Deaths related to COVID-19 are also reported to the department in different ways, Tioga County is not always notified when a death occurs.

The health department also noted that various factors might impact the severity of one's COVID-19 illness including underlying health conditions and vaccination status.

A Health Department official wrote, in their weekly brief, "The COVID-19 vaccine offers protection against severe illness, hospitalization, and death. We encourage eligible individuals to get vaccinated."

With viruses like the common cold, flu, respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) and COVID-19 spreading, Tioga County Public Health wants to remind the community to follow these steps to keep yourself and your family healthy - wash your hands often; eat fruits and vegetables; stay hydrated and drink extra water throughout the day; get plenty of rest, sleep, and relaxation time; be physically active; manage your stress; avoid touching your face; disinfect frequently touched objects; avoid contact with sick people and crowded places; wear a mask when in public areas; and get vaccinated against the flu and COVID-19.

The Pfizer COVID-19 vaccination recently received emergency use authoriza-

tion for children age's five to 11. Those looking to get their child vaccinated should contact their child's healthcare provider or their pharmacy to schedule a vaccination appointment.

The health department's brief explained, "Vaccination continues to be the best form of protection against COVID-19. By getting school aged children five years and older vaccinated, we can help prevent students from missing school when exposed to a positive case (unless they start showing symptoms of COVID-19), and reduce the number of children getting ill and spreading the virus."

To find a COVID-19 vaccination location, visit www.vaccines.gov/. To find a COVID-19 testing location, visit <https://get-tested-covid19.org/>. You can also find more information from Tioga County Public Health by visiting ph.tiogacountyny.gov or www.facebook.com/tiogacountypublichealth.

Tioga County COVID-19 Update for November 10 – November 16, 2021

Tioga County's Public Health Department recently released the COVID-19 case breakdown in Tioga County, N.Y. from Nov. 10 to Nov. 16 as follows.

According to the department there were 243 new cases during this time frame, with 116 unvaccinated and 81 vaccinated; there were 37 children under 12 reported as having tested positive for COVID, and there were nine individuals with an unknown

vaccination status; there were 12 hospitalizations. There was one death reported. There are currently 334 active cases.

Data is a snapshot of what is reported to us via different venues. Vaccination status is self-reported by the positive case or their parent / guardian during the case investigation. Deaths related to COVID-19 are reported to the department in different ways. Tioga County is not always

notified when a death occurs. Various factors may impact the severity of one's COVID-19 illness including underlying health conditions and vaccination status. The COVID-19 vaccine offers protection against severe illness and hospitalization. The health department encourages eligible individuals to get vaccinated.

If you or someone in your household has a known exposure to a COVID-19 case, they

recommend getting tested approximately five days after your exposure, regardless of your vaccination status. Getting tested helps identify people infected with the virus that may be asymptomatic and unknowingly spreading the virus. This is especially important for those who are fully vaccinated who may have mild symptoms or no symptoms if they become infected.

The health department wrote, in their weekly brief, "If you are experiencing symptoms and have been test-

ed for COVID-19, you must self-quarantine at home until you receive your test results. Do not go to school or work. Stay home until you receive your test results or until you have been released from your quarantine."

They added, in the brief, "Please continue to wear a mask when in public places, wash your hands often, and social distance when possible. Take care of your overall wellness too by making healthy food choices, exercising, drinking plenty of water, and getting enough sleep

every night."

For reporting positive at-home test results, call (607) 687-8600 (option 1). Vaccine locations can be found at www.vaccines.gov/, you can find testing locations at <https://get-tested-covid19.org/> or visit the New York State Dashboard at <https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/covid-19-testing-tracker>.

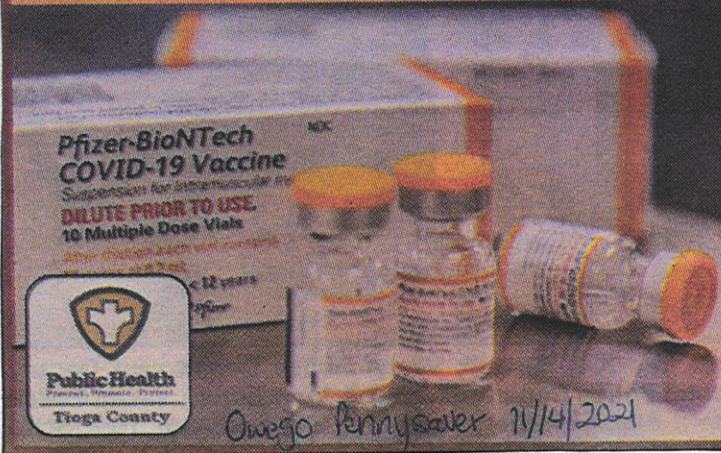
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Owego Penny Saver 11/31/2021

THE PFIZER COVID-19 VACCINATION HAS RECEIVED EMERGENCY USE AUTHORIZATION FOR CHILDREN 5 - 11 YEARS OLD!

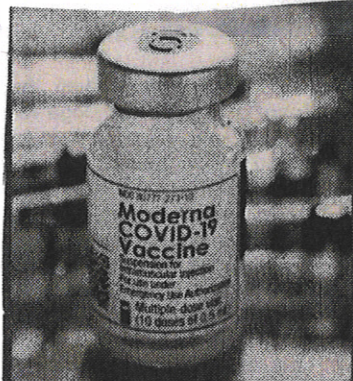
Looking to get Your Child Vaccinated Against COVID-19?

Contact their Primary Care Provider or a Local Pharmacy.

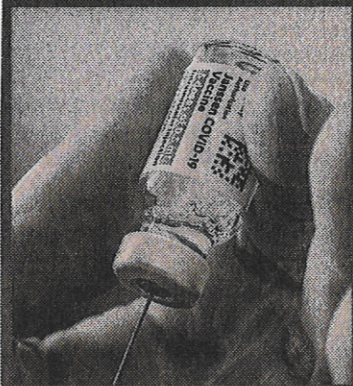


THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL (CDC) SAYS:

- Getting your child vaccinated, along with other preventative measures, can protect children from COVID-19 and reduce their risk of severe disease, hospitalizations, or developing long-term COVID-19 complications.
- Vaccination helps limit disruptions to in-person learning and activities by helping curb community transmission.
- COVID-19 vaccines have undergone, and will continue to undergo, the most intensive safety monitoring in U.S. history.
- Vaccine trials showed that the vaccination was nearly 91% effective in preventing COVID-19 among children aged 5-11 years.
- In clinical trials, vaccine side effects were mild, self-limiting, and similar to those seen in adults and with other vaccines recommended for children. The most common side effect was a sore arm.



COVID-19 BOOSTER SHOTS



Who is Eligible for a COVID-19 Booster Shot?

Those who received Pfizer or Moderna who are in one of the following groups:

- 65 years and older
- Age 18+ who live in long-term care settings
- Age 18+ who have underlying medical conditions
- Age 18+ who work or live in high-risk settings

Vaccine series must have been completed at least 6 months ago

Anyone 18 and older who received Johnson & Johnson

First dose must have been administered at least 2 months ago



To get your COVID-19 Booster Shot please contact your pharmacy or visit <https://www.vaccines.gov/> to find additional COVID-19 Vaccination Locations!

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HELP YOUR CHILD MAINTAIN OR ACHIEVE A

Healthy Weight



CHILDHOOD OBESITY CONTINUES TO RISE IN TIOGA COUNTY. IT POSES A SERIOUS HEALTH RISK FOR CHILDREN NOW AND LATER IN LIFE!



SERVE FRUITS & VEGGIES AT MEAL TIMES

LIMIT SUGARY DRINKS

SERVE MOSTLY WHOLE FOODS

KEEP A CONSISTENT SLEEP SCHEDULE

ENCOURAGE PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

REDUCE STRESS & ANXIETY



SET A GOOD EXAMPLE

LIMIT SCREEN TIME TO LESS THAN 2 HOURS A DAY



CHILDREN WHO ARE OVERWEIGHT SHOULD NOT BE PLACED ON A WEIGHT LOSS DIET UNLESS SUPERVISED BY A HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL!



PROTECT THEM FROM LEAD!

CHILDREN WHO CRAWL ARE MORE LIKELY TO BE EXPOSED TO LEAD



- WIPE & REMOVE SHOES BEFORE ENTERING YOUR HOME
- PLAY IN THE GRASS INSTEAD OF POTENTIALLY LEAD-CONTAMINATED SOIL
- WASH ITEMS YOUR CHILD USES DAILY (PACIFIER, TOYS, ETC)



LEAD POISONING PREVENTION WEEK 2021 OCTOBER 24TH -30TH

Roll up your sleeves Tioga County!

Protect yourself and loved ones from flu and COVID.

Flu

Everyone six months and older should get a flu shot every year!
Check with your doctor or local pharmacy for availability.

An illustration of a yellow vaccine bottle labeled "VACCINE" and a blue syringe with a yellow plunger.

COVID

Vaccines authorized for Emergency Use: Pfizer (12+), Moderna (18+), and J&J (18+)
Visit [vaccines.gov](https://www.vaccines.gov) to find a vaccination location near you!

The logo for the Tioga County Adult Immunization Coalition, featuring a circular emblem with a syringe and the text "TIOGA COUNTY Adult Immunization Coalition".

For more information, visit:
<https://www.cdc.gov/flu/prevent/prevention.htm>
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/>

The logo for Public Health Tioga County, featuring a shield with a cross and the text "Public Health Prevent. Promote. Protect. Tioga County".

WHAT THE HEALTH!?

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November is Lung Cancer Awareness Month!

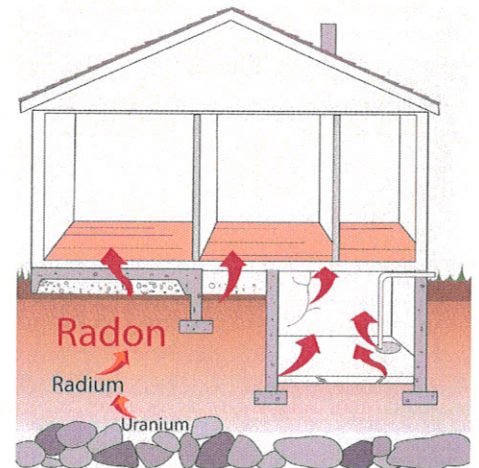
Radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer behind smoking!

What is Radon?

Radon is a colorless, odorless, and invisible gas that is produced by the natural decay of uranium that is found in nearly all soils. It is a health hazard when there are elevated levels of it in your home. Exposure to radon over long periods of time can lead to lung cancer. Radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer in the United States behind smoking, killing around 21,000 Americans each year.

Where does Radon Come From?

Radon comes from the ground, and if your house has cracks in the foundation, this gas can get into your home and put your family at risk!



What can you do?

Have a test done to check for elevated levels of radon in our home. Call Tioga County Public Health at 687-8600 for your free radon test!



Type 2 Diabetes is a Rising Threat in Youth

Prediabetes is a risk factor for developing type 2 diabetes

PREDIABETES

increases the risk of developing type 2 diabetes and heart disease.



November 2021

Who has PREDIABETES?

1 in 5 aged 12-18 years

1 in 4 aged 19-34 years

PREDIABETES is higher in males and people with obesity

What Can You Do?

- Parents should talk to their child's health care provider about testing for type 2 diabetes
- Adults aged 18 and over can take a 1-minute risk test at www.cdc.gov/diabetes/risktest



PARK OUTDOOR

BAT IN YOUR HOME?
CALL US TO SEE IF IT NEEDS TO BE TESTED FOR

RABIES!



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PARK OUTDOOR



**ROLL UP
YOUR SLEEVES!**



Tioga County

GET YOUR FLU SHOT



SUMMARY SHEET OF MUNIS REPORT
PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT
YTD 2021 THRU November
Report Run date: 12.2.2021

Fund	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	ORIGINAL APPROP	TRANFRS/ ADJSMTS	REVISED BUDGET	YTD ACTUAL	ENCUMBRANCE/ REQ	AVAILABLE BUDGET	% USED
A	Total A2960 Handicapped Education	1,337,530	27,989	1,365,519	593,116.82	261,961.54	510,441	62.60
A	Total A4011 Public Health Administr	1,932,274	12,692	1,944,966	1,609,641.12	6,021.07	329,303	83.10
A	Total A4044 Early Intervention	58,496	0	58,496	42,532.61	975.00	14,989	74.40
A	Total A4053 Preventive And Primary	-126,125	0	-126,125	-200,771.25	6,642.58	68,004	153.90
A	Total A4064 Managed Care - Dental S	-115,800	0	-115,800	-46,875.64	240.00	-69,164	40.30
A	Total A4090 Environmental Health	-165,913	20,873	-145,040	-255,599.61	1,297.05	109,263	175.30
A	Total A6610 Sealer Of Weights And M	8,451	0	8,451	10,278.05	0.00	-1,827	121.60
A	Total A General Fund	2,928,913	61,554	2,990,467	1,752,322.10	277,137.24	961,008	67.90
H	Total H Capital Fund	14,240	18,001	32,241	0.00	0.00	32,241	0.00
Revenue Total		-3,254,899	-1,847,556	-5,102,455	-2,249,297.35	0.00	-2,853,157	44.10
Expense Total		6,198,052	1,927,111	8,125,163	4,001,619.45	277,137.24	3,846,406	52.70
Grand Total		2,943,153	79,555	3,022,708	1,752,322.10	277,137.24	993,249	67.10

Comments:

- This report does NOT represent the final figures for YTD through November 2021. It represents what was in MUNIS at the time of this report (12.2.2021)
- A majority of Revenues received in Jan-Mar often are for services/expenses from prior year, and were moved back to 2020. Thus, revenues for current year are delayed.
- Due to NYS Budget issues, we experienced 20% withhold of some NYS funding streams. We have received nearly all of the previously withheld funds; most of which are posted back to 2020 fiscal year, and are not 2021 revenue.