

Bexley Services (Q3 2023)

HSP Services July 2023 – September 2023

# **Behavioral Health & Addiction Services**

- In July and August of 2023, FCPH utilized funds from the Overdose Data to Action (OD2A) grant to fund several efforts serving people who work, live, and commute in Bexley. Since OD2A grant cycles end in August of each year, data is not yet available for September 2023.
  - The Safe Point syringe exchange program, operated by Equitas Health, served 8 residents of zip code 43209. These 8 residents interacted with Safe Point 15 times, returning 720 syringes and receiving 1,260 syringes in return, based on a maximum limit of 280 syringes per client per month. In these 15 interactions, clients accepted overdose prevention education materials 15 times. These clients received 63 fentanyl test strips, 16 naloxone kits, 14 sharps containers, 13 sets of safe injection materials, 10 safe smoking kits, 7 safe snorting kits, and 3 sets of safe sex materials.
  - The Columbus Division of Fire's Rapid Response Emergency Addiction Crisis Team (RREACT) makes use of the skills and resources available to first responders to make contact with individuals that experience an overdose, are treated by EMS, and subsequently refuse transport to the hospital for treatment. RREACT staff made 1 outreach attempt to 1 Bexley resident that had experienced an overdose.
  - Franklin County CARES is a surveillance platform that offers access to local data on overdose, addiction, and community health indicators. Visit the <u>Bexley Community</u> <u>Profile</u> for more information.
- FCPH and its partners distributed at least 26 naloxone kits to residents of zip code 43209 and distributed an additional 49 kits while in zip code 43209. Three of the kits distributed to residents were distributed by mail along with 9 fentanyl test strips. Some of these recipients reported having either experienced or witnessed an overdose in the past. One resident of zip code 43209 was trained at a live community naloxone training. More naloxone and fentanyl test strips may have been distributed to residents, but we do not require recipients to report their zip code of residence.
- HSP's tobacco team provided 10 different community trainings to residents and partners throughout the Franklin County community. None of the trainings were conducted in zip code 43209. Trainings can be requested at any time.
- The Tobacco Prevention & Cessation team continues to collaborate with the City of Bexley with tobacco policy, as the city has passed both TRL and flavor ban policies. Once the licensing is ongoing, FCPH will be able to report the number of retailers sent applications, the number of retailer applications received, retailers licensed, and compliance checks completed.

# Care Coordination

• HSP Community Health Workers received 2 referrals in Q3 from residents of zip code 43209. These referrals are still in process, but the top two requested services were food and financial assistance.

## **Health Promotion**

- FCPH is continuing efforts on the Healthy Brain Initiative grant from NACCHO and the National Alzheimer's Association as it runs through December 2023.
- In August and September, the Clinton Township Produce Market provided 1 and 2 households of zip code 43209, respectively, with fresh produce. These individuals may have accessed the produce market multiple times.

#### **Emergency Preparedness**

- The Emergency Preparedness team holds and participates in many county-level planning efforts that impact the residents of Bexley. Additional data will be available for Q4.
- The EP team did not conduct any Stop the Bleed trainings in zip code 43209. Stop the Bleed trainings can be requested <u>here</u>.

### Epidemiology & Data

- HSP Epidemiologists completed 52 total data requests, 1 of which was focused on the city of Bexley and 22 of which were focused on Franklin County or FCPH service area, meaning Bexley area data was included.
- FCPH's internal Data, Assessment, and Surveillance Committee launched FCPH's new data website called the <u>FCPH Data Hub</u>. This hub contains key metrics, maps, and reports, and anyone from the community is able to submit a data request.
- The Franklin County Suicide Prevention Coalition Data and Research Action Team, led by HSP Epidemiology Supervisor Abby Boeckman, released the <u>2023 Franklin County Suicide Report</u>.

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