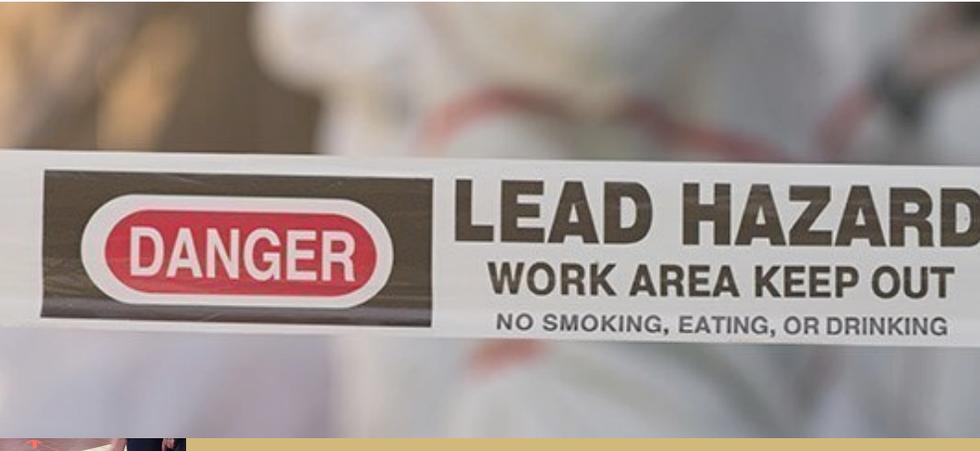




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RABIES CONTROL PROGRAM

3,093 ANIMALS VACCINATED IN 2019!

Did you know the Public Health Department is responsible for preventing the spread of rabies? We partner with local townships to host clinics, as well as host clinics of our own to help keep pets up-to-date on their rabies vaccine. All clinics are free.

We are also responsible for monitoring domestic animal bites. All bites are required to be reported to our department to determine if there is a human risk to rabies. We monitor animals for 10 days to ensure the animal is not sick. If the animal is healthy after the 10 day confinement, we know there was no risk of rabies to the person bitten.

In 2019, there were **329 total bite reports**. 84 bites were from cats, 238 from dogs, and 3 from other domestic animals. 71 of these bites were from unvaccinated animals. Bite reports can be made by calling our department at 315-386-2325, or by faxing us the **Bite Report Form** that can be found on our website.

Rabies is a preventable disease, but if pets are left unvaccinated, it can be fatal. Rabies spreads to humans or pets when they are scratched or bitten by a rabid animal. If a person is scratched or bitten by a rabid animal, they should call our department immediately to determine if medical treatment is needed.

Check out our Facebook for the 2020 Rabies Clinic schedule @SLCPublicHealth



FIRST HOME UNDER LEAD PAINT HAZARD RENOVATION & REPAIR GRANT COMPLETED!

The first of 52 homes in St. Lawrence County to receive funding for renovations and repairs to remove lead hazards has been completed! Some of the work involved window replacement, exterior work, and new paint.

The Public Health Department provided the household with a cleaning kit to help maintain the renovation work and prevent future exposure to lead hazards.

The County received a 3-4 year \$1 million dollar grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to remove and address lead hazards in 52 qualifying homes built before 1978 with children and/or pregnant women. Recipients must also meet income guidelines to qualify for the funding.

Home owners or landlords should call **the North Country Housing Council at 315-386-8576** to see if they qualify for renovations and repairs.

Eligibility requirements include:

- Home built before 1978;
- Have a child under the age of 6 and/or a pregnant woman; **or**
- Be a place a child regularly spends his/her time (childcare provider, grandparent)
- Low income

2019 PARTNERS 4 SUBSTANCE USE PREVENTION COALITION- YEAR IN-REVIEW

The Partners 4 Substance Use Prevention Coalition (P4SUP) celebrated their 1 year anniversary on December 13th. The celebration was held at Seaway Valley Prevention Council, which included a tour of their facilities and an overview of their programming. P4SUP has made a significant impact on the St. Lawrence County community over the last year. Below is a snapshot of major projects, activities, and education that has been provided and/or developed.

EDUCATION PROVIDED:

St. Lawrence County Jail Program Overview
Bridges out of Poverty
Stigma
Vaping & E-Cigarettes
Marijuana
Drug Identification
St. Lawrence County Opioid Assessment
Mental Health Services in SLC
Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT)

RESOURCES & EDUCATION MATERIALS DEVELOPED:

Mental Health & Substance Use Resource Guide
ODMAP reminder visor clips
Post-overdose kits for law-enforcement and EMS
Medication card for community
Good Samaritan Law handout
Coalition logo, stickers, and stationary cards
Online opioid data & resource dashboard

ACTIVITIES COMPLETED:

Narcan training at local libraries
26 providers MAT trained
Shredding the Stigma event with Tony Hoffman
MAT survey distributed to providers
ODMAP initiation
Chasing the Dragon events: Massena & Clarkson
3 community forums & 12 key informant interviews conducted



P4SUP meets the 2nd Friday of every month in Canton at 10am
Meetings are open to all.

For more information contact Brigette Conklin at 315-229-3404 or BConklin@stlawco.org

FLU VACCINE REMINDER

One of Public Health's main goals is to ensure the County is protected from deadly diseases. That is why our department offers a variety of vaccines, including the influenza vaccine.

To date, our department has provided **198 vaccines** to St. Lawrence County residents for the 2019-2020 flu season.

It is not too late to get your flu shot! The CDC recommends vaccination for everyone 6 months and older as long as flu viruses are circulating.

FIGHT FLU

Public Health Immunization Clinic:
Every Wednesday
by appointment only
Call 315-386-2325

HEPATITIS A VIRUS OUTBREAK UPDATE

From January - November of 2019 New York State has had a **235% increase** in Hepatitis A cases as compared to the same time period in 2016-2018.

Cases of Hepatitis A were identified in St. Lawrence County in 2019. At-risk populations include injection and non-injection drug users, men who have sex with men, unstable housing or homelessness, or people who are incarcerated or recently released.

Our department offers Hepatitis A vaccinations for all individuals regardless of insurance status. **Call 315-386-2325 for an appointment.**