

Communicable Disease Prevention and Control 2018 YEAR IN REVIEW



Enhance Public Health & Safety

- ✓ Partnered with local hospitals, clinics, and medical service organizations to provide nearly 3,500 free influenza vaccinations across Monterey County
- ✓ Responded to over 30 outbreaks and 7,100 reports of communicable diseases among Monterey County residents
- ✓ Distributed free safer sex supplies and overdose reversal medication



Empower the Community

- ✓ Informed medical providers, community organizations, and the public about local morbidity, natality, and morbidity patterns
- ✓ Conducted emergency preparedness drills and exercises to increase community resiliency and response
 - ✓ Provided hard-to-obtain antibiotics to local medical providers so patients with syphilis could be treated in their medical home.

*Prevent.
Detect.
Respond.*



Improve Operational Effectiveness

- ✓ Applied for and received over \$1.6 million in grant funding to address critical public health needs
- ✓ Initiated a quality improvement project to increase viral suppression rates among HIV positive youth
- ✓ Conducted staff development trainings



Ensure Access

- ✓ Screened and linked over 50 new immigrants at risk for tuberculosis to medical services
- ✓ Coached clients on how to navigate medical and social service systems
- ✓ Registered over 100 home births
- ✓ Conducted a health status and needs survey among members of the LGBTQI community

What's next in 2019?

In the new year, we will continue to prioritize communicable disease prevention and control activities. We will seek ways to better prepare and respond to public health emergencies and disasters, as well as strengthen community partnerships to achieve our common goals. Driven by the best available evidence and knowledge, we will take actions to improve the health and wellbeing of our communities.

