

Implementation Update

June 2014



HEALTHY CHICAGO

CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Message From The Commissioner

Chicagoans are living longer than ever before! Last week, CDPH released a report showing that the average Chicago resident can expect to live 77.8 years. Between 1990 and 2010, our life expectancy grew by more than seven years, nearly twice as fast as the national average. As life expectancy is one of the key indicators that measures overall health and well-being of a community, this is further proof that we are moving the needle in the right direction.

The increase in life expectancy is good news across the board – as every neighborhood in Chicago, male and female Chicagoans and every major ethnic group saw significant improvements. We are closing the gap, narrowing disparities between all groups. Differences in life expectancy between African American and white Chicagoans decreased by 10%, while differences between the two groups due to perinatal conditions decreased by a staggering 50%.

Our increase in life expectancy is due in part to reduced mortality from heart disease, cancer, HIV and other infectious diseases. This is likely due to medical advances in testing and treatment, increased access to care across our City and improved environmental factors. Even with this great news, there is still more work to be done. That is why Mayor Emanuel and the City of Chicago are working on a number of initiatives with our partners to further reduce health disparities and ensure every Chicago resident lives a full and healthy life. From combatting food deserts and providing more access to mammograms to guaranteeing recess for every student and increasing bike lanes across the City, we are making real progress.

So let's keep working and, in the meantime, celebrate our longer lives.

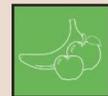
Sincerely,

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HEALTHY CHICAGO PRIORITIES



Tobacco Use



Obesity
Prevention



HIV
Prevention



Adolescent
Health



Cancer
Disparities



Heart Disease
& Stroke



Access to
Care



Healthy
Mothers &
Babies



Communicable
Disease Control
& Prevention



Healthy
Homes



Violence
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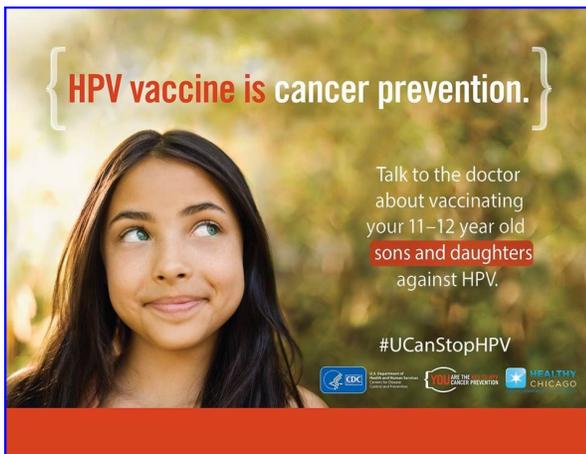
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- The Chicago Department of Public Health launched a public education campaign to increase coverage levels of the human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine among adolescents throughout the City. The campaign features print, broadcast, digital, billboard and transit ads that encourage parents to talk to a healthcare provider about having their children vaccinated with all three doses of the HPV vaccine at ages 11 or 12. CDPH has also coordinated in-person and web-based provider education for more than 200 healthcare providers, helping ensure adolescents who received the first dose follow up with their medical provider for subsequent appointments. HPV is known to cause several forms of cancer, including cervical cancer. The HPV campaign is made possible through an \$800,000 grant from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). [Adolescent Health](#)

Getting the Word Out

- On August 14, Health and Medicine Policy Research Group will be hosting *Education and Health Equity: Everybody In, Nobody Out*, a forum to examine the relationship between education and health. Education and health professionals, advocates and policy-makers are invited to attend. The event takes place from 9am to 3pm. For more information, email Health and Medicine at info@hmprg.org. [Multiple Priority Areas](#)
- The Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) and Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) are issuing a joint Call for Projects for RTA's Community Planning program and CMAP's Local Technical Assistance Program. Applicants can apply for both programs using one application. Applications are due on June 26 at noon. [Multiple Priority Areas](#)
- The Chicago Park District's Summer Day Camp program takes place between June 23 and August 1. Children can experience a variety of activities including field trips, visits to the pool or beach, arts and crafts, nature activities, sports, team games and more. To learn more, go to <http://tinyurl.com/k9zwr44>. [Obesity Prevention](#)
- The Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities is holding AccessChicago, an event for people with disabilities, on July 17. Residents can test products, learn about disability-related social services and legal rights, take part in adaptive sports and recreational demonstrations, and obtain free health screenings. The event takes place from 10am-5pm at Navy Pier in Hall A. [Multiple Priority Areas](#)



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Healthy Chicago Policy Highlights

- Omnibus Medicaid Bill Senate Bill 0741 passed both houses on May 29. Among the bill's many provisions, the bill restores Medicaid benefits for dental care and podiatry services for adults; eliminates prior authorization under the 4-script policy for anti-psychotic drugs; eliminates prior authorization under the 4-script policy for children with complex medical needs who are enrolled in a care coordination entity solely to coordinate care for these children, if the CCE has a comprehensive drug reconciliation program; and provides coverage for one or more vendors procured by Chicago Public Schools (CPS) to manufacture eyeglasses for children in CPS. [Access to Care](#)
- On May 29, House Bill 5412 passed both houses. The bill will establish infrastructure to promote the recognition and integration of Community Health Workers (CHWs) into the workforce, establish the scope of practice and core competencies of CHWs, and create the Illinois Community Health Worker Advisory Board to advise the state on training and certification. [Multiple Priority Areas](#)
- The American Academy of Park and Recreation Administration (AAPRA), in partnership with the National Recreation and Park Association, named Chicago Park District as a finalist for the 2014 National Gold Medal Awards for Excellence in Park and Recreation Management. The Park District's innovative and community-driven programs, including Summer Day Camp, Chicago Plays! and Night Out in the Parks were an important factor in their selection. [Obesity Prevention](#)
- On June 2, the City of Chicago filed suit against five narcotics manufacturers for misrepresenting the benefits of opioids and concealing serious health risks associated with these painkillers. The Illinois state court suit charges that Purdue Pharma L.P., Cephalon, Inc., Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Endo Health Solutions, Inc. and Actavis plc knowingly and aggressively marketed these drugs as rarely addictive while touting benefits that lacked scientific support in order to boost profits. Prescription painkiller abuse, addiction and overdose is a problem in Chicago and across the country.
- Governor Pat Quinn signed Senate Bill 0978 in June, which requires state police to automatically expunge certain juvenile arrest records, making a fresh start possible for many young people. Among other conditions, the arrests can not be for a Class 2 or higher felony offense or a sex offense. While it was previously possible to get records expunged, the process was costly and complex. The law will provide these young people with an equal change to access education, financial aid, housing and employment. [Multiple Priority Areas](#)
- In May, Mayor Emanuel announced a Minimum Wage Working Group of community, labor and business leaders to evaluate options for wage increases for minimum wage and tipped employees. The first of five hearings took place on June 9, and the remaining four hearings will take place throughout June. A final report, including recommended wage increases for minimum wage and tipped employees, is due to Mayor Emanuel in early July. For more information or to provide comments on a public forum, go to www.Cityofchicago.org/MinimumWage. [Multiple Priority Areas](#)



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Healthy Chicago Public Schools

Tobacco Use

- CHIDONT, a media campaign aimed at encouraging tobacco-free communities in Chicago, was launched to support the Healthy CPS initiative in 20 Chicago public schools and surrounding communities.

Obesity Prevention

- Two regional trainings on applying for grants and PE in non-traditional spaces were offered to PE teachers.
- Presented CPS strategies to strengthen physical education and physical activity to Cleveland Public Schools administrators and at the Everthrive Conference.
- To date, OSHW has visited 100 schools providing direct policy support implementation for the new PE policy.
- Shared LearnWELL best practices for healthy snacks in schools with superintendents from 8 districts at the American Association of School Administrators.
- Launched Healthy CPS Public Education Initiative, to educate the public on health and its impact on academics. View details at cps.edu/healthycps.
- Received 94 HealthierUS School (HUSC) Challenge Applications from CPS this spring. When a school is HUSC certified through the USDA, a "Healthy Schools Certified" indicator is shown on the school's progress report.

Access to Care

- The OneSight "Vision Van" provided nearly 200 exams at Beasley Elementary.

- Mayor Emanuel visited the Charles Sumner Math & Science Community on May 3 to observe the School-Based Vision Program.
- Provided a total of 26,944 vision exams for SY14 (20,479 School Based; 4,991 Princeton; and 1,474 OneSight).

HIV Prevention

- Convened the HIV/STI Prevention Initiative Sexual Health Services and Safe and Supportive Environments sub-committees.
- Trained 514 sexual health education instructors for SY14 (295 in person and 219 via webinar).

School Health Infrastructure

- Held quarterly Health Education Advisory Committee meeting to solicit guidance for increased health education in schools.
- Healthy CPS survey Network reports were finalized for dissemination.
- Presented to Principals and Assistant Principals from 36 schools on May 6 and 7 and shared health and wellness policy reports and resources.
- Received \$5000 donation from private donor for the vision exam program.
- Finalized agreement to provide feedback on the RESPECT (HIV Prevention Counseling Curriculum) for young people and awarded \$6000.
- Invited to adapt and pilot the Get Yourself Tested (GYT) campaign for use in an urban school district and awarded \$65,000 for implementation.

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