Central Michigan
District Health Department
Promoting Healthy Families, Healthy Communities

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PRESS RELEASE FOR LOCAL MEDIA

To: Local News Media

From: Central Michigan District Health Department

RE: Central Michigan District Health Department's Modification of Services

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Central Michigan District Health Department has made a decision to temporarily close all branch offices to the public in order to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, **effective Monday, March 23, 2020**. This decision applies to all of our branch office locations in Standish, Harrison, Gladwin, Mt. Pleasant, Marion, Reed City and Prudenville.

Listed below is information regarding our programs:

Personal Health Services:

- Home visiting services for Children's Special Health Care Services, Healthy Families, and Healthy Futures, are not available at this time. Staff may contact clients through telephone appointments.
- Maternal Infant Home Visiting services will still be completed through telephone.
- Communicable Disease services will still be provided.
- Routine immunizations and TB testing are not being offered at this time.
- Urgent immunizations by appointment only (injuries, animal bites, exposure to a disease).
- Lead testing and other lab related services (dental, hemoglobin, etc.) and home visits are not being offered at this time.
- WIC Program services:
    - New clients and priority certifications will be by appointment only.
    - Current WIC clients will have benefits temporarily renewed by staff.
    - Peer Counseling services will still be available through phone appointments and the warmline.

Health Promotion Services:

- Family Planning Services (birth control and STD treatment) are being offered by appointment only.
- Routine HIV and STD testing is not being offered at this time. Emergency testing is available by appointment only.
- HIV Case Management and Partner Notification Services will be completed through telephone appointments.
- Hearing and Vision Screening services are not being offered at this time.

Environmental Health Services

Environmental Health services are limited. Most services that take place indoors are suspended temporarily. Staff are still scheduling and conducting site visits for water well and sewage disposal permits. Time of Transfer reports from certified inspectors are still being reviewed, follow-ups conducted, and authorizations issued as needed. If you need Environmental Health services please call your local office, use email, and mail.

For questions, or to make appointments for services that are still being offered, please call your local health department branch office.

Arenac: 989-846-6541	Gladwin: 989-426-9431	Osceola: 231-832-5532
Clare: 989-539-6731	Isabella: 989-773-5921	Roscommon: 989-366-9166

Information about Coronavirus (COVID-19) can be found on our website at www.cmdhd.org/novel-coronavirus.

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