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Points of Interest...

- The Emergency Preparedness, Planning and Response Division participated in a routine onsite finance documentation audit, conducted on February 6 by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS). The audit went very well and consisted of a review of records, procedures, disposition of purchased assets and allocations of grant funds.
- The St. Clair County Health Department (SCCHD) launched a regional immunization media campaign in partnership with other Southeastern MI health departments as part of our grant-funded initiative, *Partnering for Immunizations*. A series of boosted Facebook posts will be on our page www.facebook.com/scchdmi. Ads will include HPV (Human Papilloma Vaccine); general vaccine information; Shingles; and Hepatitis A vaccine awareness and will run over several months. Our grant's hashtag is **#Partnering4Imms** so watch for future posts with this hashtag and share them with your networks.
- Ashley Castello, Environmental Health Sanitarian successfully achieved the *Registered Environmental Health Specialist/Registered Sanitarian* (REHS) credential. The REHS is considered the premiere National Environmental Health Association professional credential. The credential demonstrates competency in a range of environmental health issues, the ability to respond to routine or emergency environmental situations, and to provide education to the community on environmental health concerns.
- Two members of the St. Clair County Health Department (SCCHD) Public Information Officer (PIO) team attended a FEMA course: *Social Media for Natural Disaster Response and Recovery and Social Media Tools and Techniques*. The Emergency Preparedness, Planning and Response Division collected and documented the training certificates for the annual work plan deliverables submission to the MDHHS Bureau of EMS, Trauma and Preparedness.
- The 2016 St. Clair County Community-Wide Health Needs Assessment report has recently been released. This report is a compilation from information collected from our Behavioral Risk Factor Survey and several secondary data tools. On *March 23, at 5:00pm at the Don Dodge Auditorium*, community stakeholders are invited to attend a meeting to discuss the results and consider next steps for a Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP). Dinner will be served. An invitation will be sent soon.