

# Public Health & Health Planning Council Meeting



## Brief Overview: Core Public Health Work during COVID 19 Pandemic Onondaga County Health Department

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# Preventing Chronic Disease

- Pandemic strengthened our relationship with our community partners in the community: Schools/FBO/CBO
- Schools: Installed walking trails in 3 schools
  - Designed sensory trails and physical activity trails to be installed in 2022
- Engaged food pantries to develop and implement a Healthy Pantry labelling system
- Worked with landlords to implement policies resulting in over 500 new smoke-free apartment units
- Education, outreach resulted in Screening of nearly 400 patients for cancer, resulting in 5 cancer diagnoses.



# Creating Healthy Schools and Communities



## Community Work:

- Worksites:**  
 Town of Van Buren  
 Onondaga County (2)  
 Syracuse Community Connections
- Community Settings:**  
 Canton Woods Senior Center (2)  
 Boys and Girls Club at Shonnard  
 Boys and Girls Club at Central Village  
 Boys and Girls Club  
 Rosamond Gifford Zoo  
 Syracuse Parks and Recreation
- Food Pantries:**  
 Gethsemane  
 PEACE Family Resource Center  
 Lafayette Outreach  
 Baldwinsville Community Pantry  
 Samaritan Center  
 Assumption Church  
 Bee Full (Baker High School)  
 Northeast Community Center  
 Frazier School Food Pantry  
 Onondaga Nation School Food Pantry
- Child Care Centers:**  
 On hold per NYS/allowed breastfeeding rooms  
 Gingerbread House

- School Work:**
- Baldwinsville Central School District
  - Lafayette Central School District
  - Onondaga Nation
  - City of Syracuse

From June 1, 2021 – present:

<u>Policies Adopted:</u> <b>12</b>	<u>Practice Changes:</u> <b>13</b>	<u>Environmental Changes:</u> <b>58</b>
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- Community Highlights**
- Outdoor walking trail
  - CHEF Program/red, yellow, green behavioral economics
  - Policy adoption at food pantries
  - Three new breastfeeding rooms
  - Rosamond Gifford Zoo
  - Healthy donation project
  - Created and installed physical activity trails
  - Produce program at Gethsemane food pantry (Russo Produce)
  - Walking trail and banner room enhancements (Civic Center)

<u>Total # Practice Changes:</u> <b>2</b>	<u>Total # Environmental Changes:</u> <b>3</b>
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- Wellness policy reviewed and updated at SCSD
- Food pantry at Onondaga Nation School
- Indoor walking trail and sensory trail installed
- Practice changes with grain mill
- Farm- to -cafeteria with Baldwinsville School District

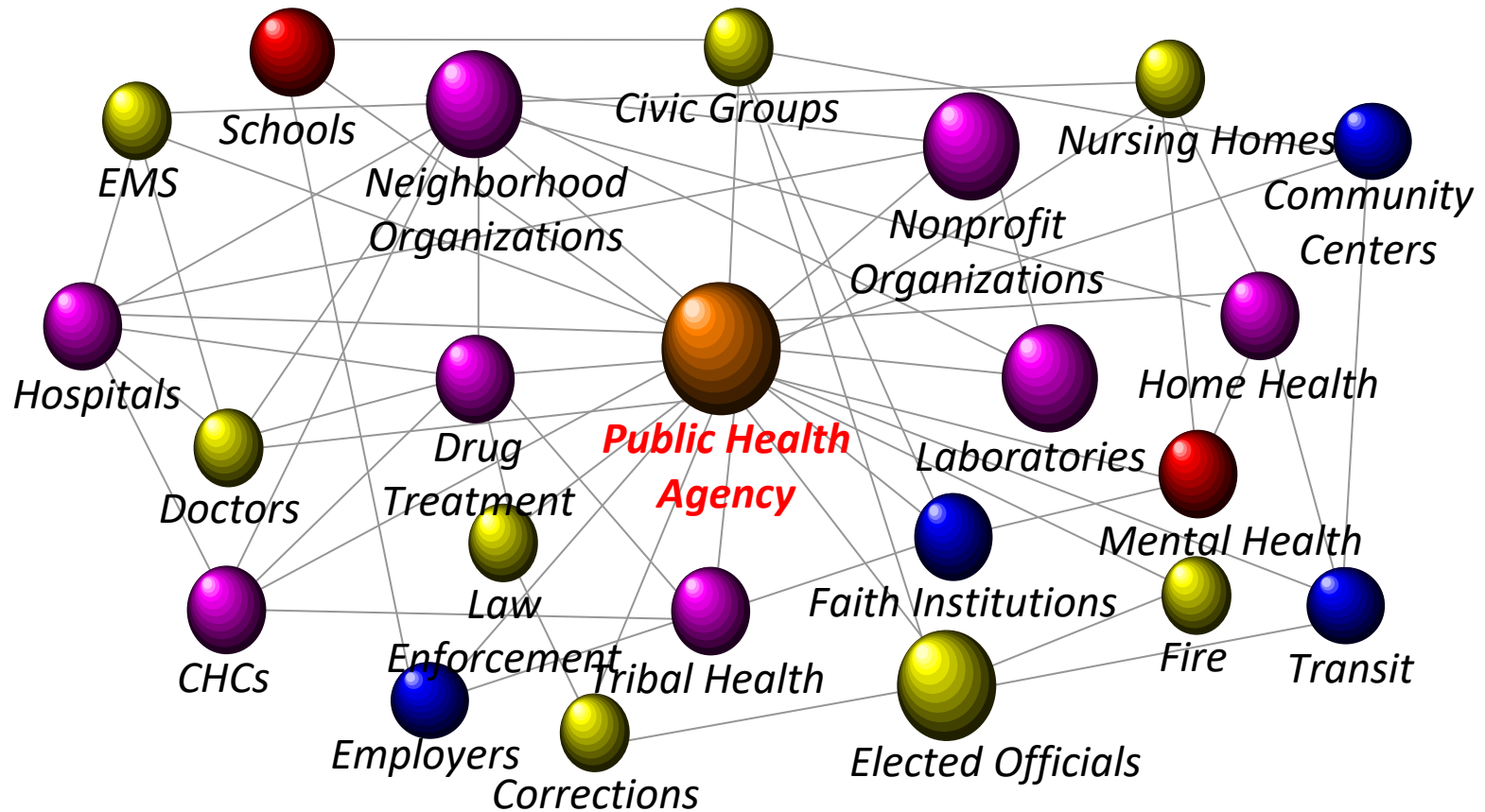


# Promote Well-Being and Prevent Substance Use

- Pivoted to an online format for naloxone trainings
  - Over 300 people trained virtually
  - 210 trained in person in 2021
- Implemented outreach and referral program in justice center: Many challenges
  - Outreach: 33
  - Active Care Management: 15
- Provide leadership to Onondaga County Drug Task Force
- Working with health systems to engage in NY's "Matters" referral program.
- Working with NYS office of mental health: assessment phase of zero suicide effort



# Public Health System: Collaboration is Key to Success



•Source: Public Health Practice Program Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Public Health Performance Standards Program, User Guide (first edition), 2002. (Current version available at [www.cdc.gov/nphpsp](http://www.cdc.gov/nphpsp))

