

Montachusett Public Health Network



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Preventing Childhood Disease

Public Health workers protect children from getting sick by taking a wide range of actions to give every child an equal chance to be as healthy and safe as possible, including **vaccinating children against diseases that spread from person to person, looking for patterns in community data for signs of health threats, and educating families about ways to protect their children from environmental harms.**

Lead Poisoning Treatment

The Network partnered with the state to **help more than 50 children in the region who have been exposed to lead.** Through a pilot project with the Massachusetts Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program (MCLPPP), Community Health Workers provide direct services to affected children and their families. MCLPPP works to prevent, screen for, diagnose, and treat lead poisoning in children across the state.

Childhood Immunizations

Each school year, routine childhood vaccinations rank among the most pressing public health priorities. With misinformation and disinformation about vaccine safety on the rise, **the Network has taken action by enrolling as a Vaccines for Children (VFC) provider and administering more than 800 doses of routine pediatric vaccines.**



“With the support of the Public Health Excellence program, Montachusett Public Health Network communities have increased our individual and collective capacity to provide essential public health services. Through this collaboration, we’re able to deliver services more efficiently and effectively—while remaining flexible, responsive, and innovative in meeting the evolving needs of our communities.”

Victoria Selser, Epidemiologist