



School-Based Health Center Information

Alma Public Schools has been awarded a school-based health center planning grant in partnership with MDHHS and MyMichigan Health Foundation. This center will be designed to serve youth ages 5-21 with primary care, preventative care, comprehensive health assessments, vision and hearing screening, medication, immunizations, treatment of acute illness, co-management of chronic illnesses, health education, and mental health care.

There are many benefits to housing a school-based health center within an APS building including:

- Parental authorization on file - Parents do not have to be present or transport their child
 - **Parental involvement in care is encouraged and welcomed**
- Clinic communicates with parents and with child's established primary care provider
- Student may not have to leave school grounds and, as appropriate, can swiftly return to class.
- Not just sick care - wellness & prevention including sports physicals
- Testing and selected prescriptions will be on site
- Quick identification and isolation of contagious infections
- Licensed Mental Health provider on site
- Telemedicine available from school site if/when a consultation is needed
- Swift link to testing and treatment services and other specialty physicians the child may need
- We provide the coordination
- Less waiting for all services

A community advisory committee (CAC) has been established and works to function as a part of the leadership team to assist in the planning, implementation, and ongoing operations of the school-based health center.

CAC Committee Members:

Jayde Weigold, BSN MyMichigan Health - Project Director

Jeff Meden – Vice President MyMichigan Medical Group

Marita Hattem-Schiffman – President MyMichigan Health

Chris Charkowske – Gratiot Integrated Health Network Program Supervisor

Stacey Criner - Superintendent Alma Public Schools

Dan Falor - Principal Alma High School

Kendra Brown - Alma Public Schools Representative

Holly Butcher - Alma Public Schools Parent

Amy Swisher - Alma Public Schools Parent

Shawyn Sparks - Alma Public Schools Parent

Veronica Alward - Alma Public Schools Parent

