

# HSCB Focus

HSCB is the state-designated community collaborative for Macomb County.

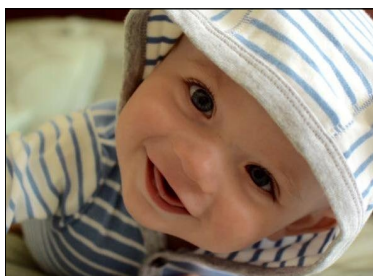
## Nurse-Family Partnership begins

### UPDATES

- The Lake House, cancer support services, has moved to:  
23500 Pare St.  
St Clair Shores, MI  
48080.
- CMH has hired a Navigator to help veterans connect to mental health and other service systems to get the help they need. The CMH Veterans' Navigator will be located at the CMH Urgent Behavioral Health Center in Clinton Township, (586) 466-6222.
- Project Find has changed its name to Child Find. Child Find seeks to identify and refer individuals with special needs, birth through age 25, for evaluation and possible special assistance. For further information or to make a referral, contact Donna Frame, (586) 228-3520 or [dframe@misd.net](mailto:dframe@misd.net)

Low-income mothers-to-be in Macomb who are pregnant with their first child will have access to regular visits from specially-trained nurses from the Macomb County Health Department. These nurses will regularly visit starting early in the pregnancy, and continuing through the child's second birthday.

Each year 380,000 children are born to first-time mothers living in poverty. Many of



these mothers are young, single, socially isolated, and without a high school diploma. These children face major barriers to leading healthy lives and escaping poverty.

The Nurse-Family Partnership transforms the first thousand days of life for babies born to mothers-to-be living in poverty across the United States. Beginning during pregnancy, and until the child is two, nurses visit moms at home to educate them on parenting, share resources, and perform health checks. This Nurse-Family Partnership empowers first-time moms to transform their lives and create better futures for themselves and their babies.

The Macomb County Health Department is bringing this nationally-recognized program to Macomb County.

*"The Nurse-Family Partnership has been extensively researched over the last three decades" stated William Ridella, Director/Health Officer for the Macomb County Health Department, "and the level of proven effectiveness demonstrated is unsurpassed in evidence-based home visitation programs."*

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### The vision of the Nurse-Family Partnership is:

***"A future where all children are healthy, families thrive, communities prosper, and the cycle of poverty is broken."***

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Mothers-to-be who wish to sign up for the Partnership services may call (586) 466-6975 or text (844) 637-6667.

## MCC/MVAC sponsor 9/11 Vet Appreciation Event

U.S. flags lined the sidewalk leading from the parking lot to the front door of the K building at Macomb Community College (MCC) on September 11, 2017 to direct veterans and Macomb County students who are veterans to Room K301.



In recognition of their service and to connect veterans with community services, resource booths were set up around the hall and resource personnel were available throughout the day to answer questions. The resource booths included: Michigan Works!, Vocational Rehabilitation, Financial Coach for Transitioning Veterans, Department of Health and

Human Services, MCC Student Options for Success (SOS) program, Veteran Memorial Services, MCC tutors, MCC Student Life and Leadership Services, The Mission Continues, VA Health Care System, Macomb Vet Center, Michigan Veterans Administration, and the Macomb County Department of Veteran Services.

In a private room off the main hall, a physician from the Dingell VA Health Care System provided free medical exams and answered questions about health services. A volunteer hair stylist provided free haircuts in another area.

There was the posting of the colors by Staff Sergeant Michael Belyayev, MCC student and currently a soldier in the U.S. Army; the reciting of Pledge of Allegiance by the participants; the singing of the national anthem by Michael Lafferty, MCC employee; and a moment of silence for the victims of 9/11.

The Coordinator of the event was Kara Fields, Director of Veteran and Military Services at Macomb Community College with assistance from the Macomb Veteran Action Collaborative (MVAC).

The event was funded, in part, by a mini-grant from the Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency (MVAA) awarded to local veteran action teams through a grant proposal process.

The local action team is the Macomb Veterans Action Collaborative, an HSCB Affiliated Collaborative. The Co-Chairs of MVAC are Laura Rios, Chief, Macomb County Department of Veteran Services and Crystal Kinsman, Veterans Career Advisor, State of MI Workforce Development.

For more information about the Veteran Recognition event, call Kara Fields, MCC, (586) 445-7254 or [fieldsk61@macomb.edu](mailto:fieldsk61@macomb.edu).

## MI Bridges Enhancements Coming in January

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) is improving the functionality of the MI Bridges online site where clients can explore potential eligibility, apply for food assistance benefits, energy assistance, DHHS State Emergency Relief, view their case information, or report changes to their specialist.

A new simplified DHHS benefits

application will premier in January 2018. The new application form has been edited down from 42 to 18 pages and the questions from 1,024 to 220.

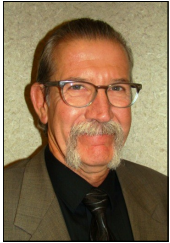
A general application page will ask for the common criteria needed by all the DHHS programs to ensure that the person only answers the questions that are relevant to the programs for which they are applying. Short supplemental pages are required for each DHHS program requested.

The portal will also offer the option of referrals to other needed services, with the help of a Navigator.

Community partner agencies will be recruited to provide a Navigator to connect customers with services and/or being referral sources by providing access to MI Bridges through computer access at their respective agencies. A training on these roles for community partners is planned.

## From the Lead Agency Chair

**John Kinch**  
HSCB Lead Agency Chair



This past year, the Macomb HSCB partnered with Easter Seals of Michigan to offer trainings in the LUNA (Look, Uncover, Nurture, Act) model and co-sponsored trainings for school and human service professionals.

The LUNA™ model program offers free online screening, comprehensive trauma assessment and a multi-disciplinary team assessment for children who have experienced trauma and chronic stress. Services start with a free

online screening that determines if a child has been exposed to trauma and/or chronic stress and would benefit from specialized services.

The first two LUNA trainings were well attended. Participants reported that they learned common reactions to trauma, had a better understanding of how trauma impacts the brain, and felt they were able to apply the knowledge learned at the training.

The last two LUNA trainings are scheduled for Friday, December 8, 2017 for HSCB member agencies at the CMH Community Care Center

in Sterling Heights; and Friday, January 12, 2018 for school personnel at the MISD.

Registration for these trainings is online at the MISD website: [www.misd.net](http://www.misd.net)

Potential LUNA initiatives for future years include a trauma-informed community summit and a facilitated dialogue on the interest in building capacity to create/pilot trauma-informed schools and communities in Macomb County.

## New Macomb Community Action Director

The Macomb HSCB welcomes



**Ernest Cawvey**

*diminish poverty and promote independence.*

Ernest Cawvey, the new director of Macomb Community Action, the local agency whose mission is: *Persistent action to*

new director of Macomb County Health and Community Services, stated, *“Ernest Cawvey is a welcomed member to the Macomb County team of directors and brings an understanding of service trends in health and social services. He will be an asset to the work of the HSCB.”*

Cawvey previously worked at the Michigan Public Health Institute (MPHI), where he led the State Innovation Model implementation which created cross-sector collaboratives that bridge population health, economic development and community wealth building.

Rhonda Powell, former director of Macomb Community Action and the

Macomb Community Action coordinates community services: chore, community development block grant program, home injury control, HOME program, home rehabilitation program, transportation, weatherization, Macomb Action Centers, Macomb Food Program, Senior Citizen Community Education programs, Adult Day Services, Dining Senior

Style, Home Injury Control, Loan Closet, Meals-on-Wheels, Information and Referral, Head Start, and the Emergency Food Assistance Program.

For more information about Macomb Community Action, call (586) 469-6999.

# 2017 Information Exchange

The 2017 HSCB Information Exchange will be held on Thursday, October 26 2017 at the Macomb Intermediate School District, 44001 Garfield, Clinton Township, MI 48038. Registration begins at 8:30 A.M. with breakout sessions scheduled throughout the day starting at 9:00 A.M. and ending at 4:15 P.M. Breakout sessions include:

- Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs)
- Care House
- Children’s Special Health Care Services
- Community Housing Network
- Dialectic Behavior Therapy
- E-cigarettes
- Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder
- Hope Not Handcuffs
- Internet Safety and Legal Consequences of Social Media
- Martha T. Berry Adult Day Services
- MSU Extension programs
- Narcan Overdose Prevention Education
- Sacred Heart Women’s Specialty Services
- Services for the Blind
- Training and Treatment Innovations, Inc. (TTI, Inc)
- Veteran Services

## Registration Process

1. Go to: [www.misd.net](http://www.misd.net).
2. Click on the “Course Offerings” tab on the top menu.
3. Click on “Complete list of Courses/Events”.
4. Click on “View by Month” and change the month to “October.”
5. Scroll down to the “Information Exchange”, click on it, then click “Go.”
6. Select one session in one or more of the four tracks (A, B, C, D).
7. For the “District” field, enter your Agency Name (e.g. “Department of Health and Human Services”).
8. For the “School” field, enter your Agency Division (e.g. “Protective Services”).
9. In the “Position field, enter your job title (e.g. “PS Worker”).
10. Click on “Submit Registration.”

If your agency would like to set up an agency display, contact Jessica Toia, (586) 770-9942 or [toiaj@michigan.gov](mailto:toiaj@michigan.gov).

For problems with online registration, contact Carmen Julia Garcia, MISD, (586) 228-3526 or [cjulia@misd.net](mailto:cjulia@misd.net).

For more information about the Information Exchange, contact the Co-Chairs: Dawn Radzioch, (586) 469-5278 or Janae Greene, (586) 270-8055 ext. 289 or [jgreene@downrivercs.org](mailto:jgreene@downrivercs.org).

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