

**Public Health Director
Report
August 2014**

- Participated in weekly meetings of Peace of Mind partnership. Peace of Mind is collaboration between the Health Department, Cornell, IC, TC3, Planned Parenthood and the Southern Tier Aids Program to encourage STI testing in response to an increase in Syphilis cases.
- Met with representatives from Cornell Cooperative Extension and the City of Ithaca about wood smoke issue. We discussed what has occurred to date and the challenges with any efforts to address the issue.
- Participated in several conference calls on the Unaccompanied Minor situation. Processes are in place. The volume of children strained the system in July. Things appear to be getting back to normal.
- Attended County compliance meeting to discuss information breach policy that is making its way through the legislative process.
- Attended the DSRIP project advisory committee meeting in Schuyler County. Tompkins, Cortland and Schuyler County's application for a planning grant was successful. The plan must be submitted by the end of 2014 for review by NYSDOH.
- Presented changes to Chapter 72: Smoking of the County Code to the Health and Human Services committee. They recommended the full legislature set a public hearing and consider the changes. The public hearing is scheduled for September 2nd.
- Participated in At Large BOH vacancy interviews.
- Convened a group to review Work Place Violence annual assessment process for the county.