

REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE
Pursuant to P.A. 63 of 2011
Section 809
Cooperated Efforts with MDCH for HIV and Hepatitis C

The department, in conjunction with efforts to implement the MPRI, shall cooperate with the MDCH to share data and information as they relate to prisoners being released who are HIV positive or positive for the hepatitis C antibody. By March 1, 2012, the department shall report to the senate and house appropriations subcommittees on corrections, the senate and house fiscal agencies, and the state budget director on all of the following:

- (a) Programs and the location of programs implemented as a result of the work under this section.
- (b) The number of prisoners released to the community by parole, discharge on the maximum sentence, or transfer to community residential placement who are HIV positive, positive for the hepatitis C antibody, or both.
- (c) The number of parolees and offenders discharged on the maximum sentence who are HIV or hepatitis C positive by paroling office as reported to the state department of community health for referral to the local public health department.

A. Programs

All offenders coming into the prison system, whether they are returning or new, are educated about HIV. If they are HIV positive they will be referred to an infectious disease doctor. Information is taken down about past sexual partners so that they may be contacted about the potential risk of infection. Any additional medical issues or concerns are noted during this educational session.

If an offender has been recently diagnosed as HIV positive they also receive two follow-up visits while at reception. There is also a HIV Peer Education program given during orientation for all incoming inmates. The program runs at both the women's and men's reception centers. Offenders who lead this program are given module 1 training designed by MDCH where they attend a course and are trained on how to talk to peers about HIV education.

Hepatitis C Task Force

The 10-member Hepatitis C Advisory Task Force, which included representatives from the Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) and the Michigan Department of Corrections (MDOC), completed its commission in June of 2010. At the end of its tenure the Task Force issued the "Hepatitis C Advisory Task Force Final Report," which identified three priority areas and 21 recommendations for the continuum of services that would need to be in place in order to effectively address hepatitis C. One of the recommendations specifically addressed the need to expand community-based services for individuals released from MDOC facilities; and many others could also result in expanded services for those with contact with the correctional system. MDCH is currently implementing strategies that will facilitate recommendations implementation.

B. HIV Hepatitis C Testing

The number of prisoners paroled/discharged in 2011 with a positive diagnosis for HIV, HEP C, or HIV/HEP C was 1,252.

HIV	HEP C	HIV/HEPC
87	1,142	23

C. Parole/Discharge

Of the 1,252 HIV, HEP C, and HIV/HEP C diagnosed prisoners that were released to the community in 2011, 1,156 were paroled in Michigan. The remainder were paroled out of state, or discharged on the maximum sentence. The MDOC does not track out of state parolees, and those discharged on the maximum sentence are not legally bound to report their whereabouts. Therefore, only prisoners who were paroled in Michigan can be tracked. The parole offices that received parolees, and the number of parolees each received, are listed below.

Parole Office	Count	Parole Office	Count	Parole Office	Count
Adrian	4	Escanaba	6	Marquette	1
Allegan	4	Flint	54	Midland	2
Alpena	1	Gaylord	3	Monroe	13
Ann Arbor	26	Gladwin	3	Mt Clemens	92
Antrim	2	Grand Haven	2	Mt Pleasant	4
Bad Axe	1	Grand Rapids	95	Muskegon	27
Battle Creek	17	Grayling	3	Newberry	1
Bay City	10	Hart	1	Paw Paw	9
Benton Harbor	27	Hastings	5	Petoskey	2
Benzie	1	Hillsdale	3	Pontiac	62
Cadillac	4	Holland	4	Port Huron	6
Caro	2	Houghton	1	Rogers City	1
Cassopolis	5	Howell	11	Roscommon	3
Centreville	9	Ionia	6	Saginaw	33
Charlevoix	1	Ithaca	2	Sandusky	1
Charlotte	3	Jackson	17	Sault Ste. Marie	4
Cheboygan	5	Kalamazoo	39	St Johns	2
Clare	3	Kalkaska	1	Standish	1
Coldwater	1	Lake City	4	Stanton	5
Corunna	2	Lake County	13	Tawas City	6
Crystal Falls	2	Lansing	26	Traverse City	6
Detroit Metro	207	Lapeer	3	Tuscola RRP	52
Detroit Outer District	68	Lincoln Park	35	Waterford	70
Detroit SAI Parole Aftercare	11	Manistee	1	West Branch	2
Detroit, MCOIT	9	Manistique	1	White Cloud	3