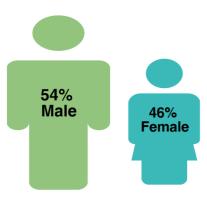


# Harrison County Needle Exchange March 2017 Community Report



The Harrison County Needle Exchange Program (NEP) opened on September 1, 2016. Wedco District Health Department would like to thank our community partners for their support of this program. The primary goal of NEP is to help keep our community safe and healthy by working to prevent the spread of HIV and Hepatitis.





More than half of our participants in March were male.

550 retractable syringes were provided to NEP participants and 270 used syringes were collected.

## **HCV and HIV Screenings**

HIV - 1 **HCV-19** 42% were positive for HCV antibodies

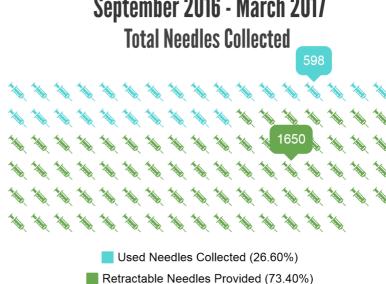
\* HIV and HCV screenings DO NOT reflect NEP participants. HIV and HCV screening is a part of community outreach

# **NEP Enrollment**



Harrison County NEP has a total of 27 enrolled program participants. During March NEP enrollment increased 30%.





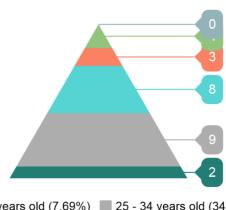
#### **Medical Insurance**

65% of NEP Participants have Medicaid 15% of NEP Participants have Medicare 5% of NEP Participants have VA 10% of NEP Participants have NO insurance 5% of NEP participants have private insurance



10 program participants have been given counseling vouchers for themselves or a family member and referred to other services.

### **Participant Age Range**



20 - 24 years old (7.69%) 25 - 34 years old (34.62%)

35 - 44 years old (30.77%) 45 - 54 years old (11.54%)

55 - 64 years old (15.38%) 65 years or older (0%)