

DHEC Public Health Region Community Engagement Team Staff Listing – January 2024

Upstate Public Health Region (Average 23 plus 2 students each semester)			
Name	Counties Served (if multiple counties listed the headquarters is listed in BOLD)	Email	Phone
Lillie Hall, Upstate Community Engagement Director	Oversees efforts of all region community engagement team mbrs - Greenville	halllm@dhec.sc.gov	864-372-3189 864-982-1260 (cell)
Jervelle Fort (Core Community Engagement Team Mgr- East) plus 1 student intern per semester	Laurens	fortjc@dhec.sc.gov	864-547-8446 864-918-0039 (cell)
Misty Lee (Core Community Engagement Team Mgr- West) plus 1 student intern per semester	Oconee	leemm@dhec.sc.gov	864-882-2245 864-933-2976 (cell)
April Ouzts (Community Engagement Specialist)	Abbeville, Greenwood , and McCormick Counties	ouztsae@dhec.sc.gov	864-420-2068 (cell)
Penny Whiteman (Community Engagement Specialist)	Anderson	whitempm@dhec.sc.gov	864 –729-0061 (cell)
Frank “Jared” Charles (Community Engagement Specialist)	Cherokee, Spartanburg and Union	Charlefj@dhec.sc.gov	864 -977-0365 (cell)
Vacant (SCEQUIPS Grant Community Engagement Specialist - *use Paula Young noted below)	Greenville	TBD	TBA
Paula Young (SCEQUIPS Grant Community Engagement Specialist)	Greenville	YoungPD@dhec.sc.gov	864-791-1755 (cell)
Brianna Halliwell (SCEQUIPS Grant Community Engagement Specialist)	Pickens	HaliwBK@dhec.sc.gov	864-637-1738 (cell)
Vacant (SCEQUIPS Grant Community Engagement	Abbeville/McCormick	TBD	TBA

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Specialist - *use April Ozuts until filled)			
Zoie K. Miller (STD/HIV Community Engagement Specialist)	Regionwide (headquartered in Greenville)	kellyzc@dhec.sc.gov	864-791-1739 (cell)
Breanne Y. Alexander (Baby & Me Tobacco Free Community Engagement Mgr)	Anderson, Oconee , and Pickens	alexanbm@dhec.sc.gov	864-260-5658 864-518-0126 (cell)
Krystal Irvin (Baby & Me Tobacco Free Community Engagement Specialist)	Greenville , Laurens, Spartanburg, Cherokee & Union	Irvink1@dhec.sc.gov	864-518-0124 (cell)
Janet Phelps (Community Engagement RN)	Regionwide (headquartered in Greenwood)	PhelpsJN@dhec.sc.gov	864-923-1434 (cell)
Blakely Venderdi (Community Engagement Epidemiologist)	Regionwide (headquartered in Greenville)	VenerdBA@dhec.sc.gov	864-894-1197 (cell)

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Susan Collier, Midlands Community Systems Director	Oversees efforts of all region community systems team	COLLIESN@dhec.sc.gov	803-909-7336
Vacant (Contact Susan Collier till position is filled)	Kershaw and Richland Counties		
Clarence “Ray” Brown	CHW Supervisor	Brownrc2@dhec.sc.gov	803-771-1773
Candra Riley, Supervisor	CES Supervisor	RileyCE@dhec.sc.gov	803-909-7339
Supervisor Vacant	CES Supervisor		
Mercedes Goodson	Lancaster, Saluda and regionwide tobacco initiatives		
Michael Lee (Baby and Me)	All Midlands Counties	Leeml@dhec.sc.gov	864-518-0212
Stevie Micheli	York and Fairfield	Michelsr@dhec.sc.gov	803-447-1633
Jenna Cameron	Edgefield, Lexington, Newberry	Cameroje@dhec.sc.gov	803-530-9026
Iris Gadsden	Aiken and Barnwell	Gadsdim@dhec.sc.gov	803-414-3776
Shelly Hackworth	Chester	Hackwosl@dhec.sc.gov	803-348-2124

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Capehart, Ciera- Community Engagement Specialist	Calhoun and Orangeburg Counties- Chronic diseases and injury prevention	capehac@dhec.sc.gov	(843) 234-6789
Louisa Ramirez	STD/HIV-All counties	Ramirelf@dhec.sc.gov	843-647-8873
Lamar Hodges- Community Engagement Specialist Manger	HE- Supervisor Charleston, Berkeley, and Dorchester Counties, STD/HIV Initiatives	hodgeslh@dhec.sc.gov	843-513-0026
Vacant	Charleston and Dorchester Counties		843-801-7953
Brenda Hughes- Community Engagement Specialist manger	HE – Supervisor Beaufort, Colleton, Orangeburg, Allendale, and Hampton Counties	hughesbd@dhec.sc.gov	843-473-0138
Shandel Smalls- Community Engagement Specialist	Colleton and Hampton Counties	smallssa@dhec.sc.gov	843-549-1516 x110
Denika Richardson- Community Engagement Specialist	Bamberg and Berkeley Counties- focus on tobacco and substance use prevention.	richards@dhec.sc.gov	843-513-4850
Madie Orage-Green- Community Engagement Specialist	Allendale and Jasper Counties	oragem@dhec.sc.gov	843-525-4081
Rene Dykstra- Community Engagement Specialist	Rural areas of Charleston, Berkeley, and Dorchester County- Chronic	Dykstrr@dhec.sc.gov	843-697 9026

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	diseases and injury Prevention		
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DR. Emma Frazier- Region CET Epidemiologist	Lowcountry Region- Epidemiologist	Fraziee@dhec.sc.gov	843-642-2301
Jarvia Meggett-Region CET RN	Lowcountry CET RN	Meggetjb@dhec.sc.gov	843-816-5958

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Suzette McClellan, Pee Dee Community Engagement Director	Oversees efforts of all region community systems team	mcclclcs@dhec.sc.gov	803-983-9092 (cell) 803-934-2878 (office)
Regina Nesmith-Dimery Community Engagement Manager	Florence, Lee, and Williamsburg Counties (headquartered- Williamsburg HD)	nesmitr@dhec.sc.gov	843-355-6012 (office) 843-621-0110 (cell)
Jessica Piezzo Community Engagement Manager	Georgetown and Horry Counties (headquartered- EA Office, Myrtle Beach)	piezozjl@dhec.sc.gov	843-992-1222 (cell)
Diquasha Simmons Community Engagement Specialist	Dillon and Marion Counties (headquartered- Florence Annex)	Simmonds@dhec.sc.gov	843-413-6443 (office) 843-855-1036 (cell)
Vacant Community Engagement Specialist	Chesterfield and Marlboro Counties (headquartered- Marlboro HD)		843-479-6801, ext. 30 (office)
Vacant Community Engagement Specialist	Clarendon and Sumter Counties (headquartered- Sumter Health Dept.)		803-934-2943 (office)
Baylee Ruth Community Engagement Specialist WFD/SCEQUIPS	Horry County (headquartered- Conway HD)	Ruthbe@dhec.sc.gov	843-915-8752 (office) 843-992-0296 (cell)
Kiara Lint Community Engagement Specialist WFD/SCEQUIPS	Florence County (headquartered Florence Annex)	Lintkn@dhec.sc.gov	843-413-6433 (office) 843-238-7100 (cell)

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Stephanie Jennings Community Engagement Specialist WFD	Georgetown County- (headquartered- Georgetown HD)	Jenninss@dhec.sc.gov	843-904-9247 (office)
Robbin Legette Community Health Worker EHE- Ending the HIV Epidemic	Florence County (headquartered – Florence Annex)	Legettrj@dhec.sc.gov	843-664-2695 (office) 803-673-9691 (cell)
Alexus Cumbie Community Health Worker	Florence County (headquartered – Florence Annex)	Cumbiea@dhec.sc.gov	843-664-2695 (office) 803-673-9691 (cell)
Brittney T. Scott STD/HIV Community Engagement Specialist	Region-wide (headquartered- Florence Annex)	scottbt@dhec.sc.gov	843-413-6451 (office) 843-687-6985 (cell)
Vacant HOPWA Case Worker Housing Opportunities for Persons living With HIV/AIDS (HOPWA)	Sumter, Clarendon, Lee counties (headquartered-Sumter Health Dept.)		803-934-2870 (office)
Mary Golden Social Worker STD/HIV, Perinatal Health, Crisis Counseling	Sumter, Clarendon, Lee counties Crisis Counseling- Regionwide (headquartered- Sumter Health Dept.)	Goldenmw@dhec.sc.gov	803-934-2872 (office) 803-840-7808 (cell)
Dawn Goodwin Communications Liaison	Region-wide (headquartered- Florence Regional Office)	Goodwida@dhec.sc.gov	843-673-6530 (office) 803-629-0303 (cell)
Ashley Billups Administrative Specialist	Regionwide (headquartered- Sumter HD)	Billupan@dhec.sc.gov	803-934-2902 (office)

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