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Shannon Carney Oleksyk provides leadership at the Michigan Department of Community Health in her position as the Childhood Obesity Prevention Specialist. She is responsible for implementing multiple collaborative state level projects addressing healthy weight, childhood overweight prevention, and healthy school environments. She currently provides statewide management for the Healthy School Action Tools to over 500 schools and coordinates Healthy Kids, Healthy Michigan, an initiative started through the National Governors Association. She has also published several articles on healthy eating, childhood obesity prevention and healthy school environments. On a national level, Shannon is an experienced presenter on Michigan's healthy weight initiatives. Shannon has been a speaker, facilitator, and trainer at numerous state and national meetings. Also, she is a Steering Committee member and past Chair of the National Association of Chronic Disease Director's School Health Council. She holds a Master of Science degree in Public Health Nutrition with a Maternal and Child Specialty from Case Western Reserve University and is a Registered Dietitian.