

Wyandot County General Health District
2019 Annual Report

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2019 Health Commissioner Message



I have served as the Health Commissioner for the Wyandot County General Health District since 2010. Our job is to protect, promote and maintain the health of our community. We do so through prevention, clinical services, and education.

There are many programs in place at the Health Department aimed to prevent, promote and protect. We provide vaccines, health screenings, and clinics to low income and underinsured families and individuals. We provide assistance to children with medical handicaps. We provide home visiting to pregnant women, newborns and families with young children in our community. We provide education on nutrition and lead. We provide formula for newborns, nutritious foods for older children and breastfeeding support for mothers. We send nurses into our county schools to work with 3rd – 8th grade students on Life Skills. We provide services that keep your food and water safe. We have Emergency Preparedness Programs in place in the event of a disaster. We have numerous safety and health education outreach activities and promotions throughout the year. We keep statistics and do surveys and use these to guide our future opportunities for improvement. There are more details on these and all of the services we offer listed throughout this report.

In 2020 we look forward to becoming fully accredited through the Ohio Department of Health and will continue to work on our Community Health Improvement Plan. In 2020 we vow to continue to promote the safety and health of our community and greatly appreciate your continued support.

Sincerely,

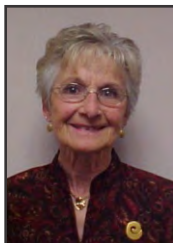
Dr. Keri Harris

Wyandot County Health Commissioner

2019 Wyandot County Board of Health *Meet the Members of Our Board of Health*



Dallas Risner
President
Current Term:
4/1/2015 - 3/31/2020



Ene Leonard
Vice President
Current Term:
4/1/2019 - 3/31/2024



Bill Aubry
Board Member
Current Term:
4/1/2016 - 3/31/2021



Joseph D'Ettorre
Board Member
Current Term:
4/1/2018 - 3/31/2023



Dr. Chevone R. Vent
Board Member
Current Term:
4/1/2017 - 3/31/2022

Mission Statement - The Wyandot County Public Health is dedicated to providing health and safety services that positively impact the well-being of all citizens of Wyandot County.

Wyandot County Health Alliance



In August of 2002, more than 20 local agencies, businesses, health professionals and private citizens established the Wyandot County Health Alliance, a partnership to improve community wellness and quality of life. In 2003, with "A Healthier Wyandot County" as their vision, the Alliance initiated the most comprehensive, county-wide, standardized community needs assessment ever conducted for Wyandot County. The assessment is completed every three years, as required by the Ohio Department of Health. In 2009, assessment data was used to develop the first Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP). The most recent assessment, the 2018 Community Health Assessment (CHA), and the current 2018-2021 Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) were released in June, 2018.

Using the model *Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnership* (MAPP), the Health Alliance followed specific strategic planning steps: Choosing Priorities, Reviewing a Resource Assessment, Completing a Gap Analysis, Reviewing Best Practices, Doing Community Themes and Strengths, Quality of Life, and Local Public Health System Assessments, Considering Forces of Change, and developing a Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) that includes action steps and quarterly reporting. The CHIP identified the following strategies to focus on for the next 3 year period: **Priority Area 1:** Mental Health and Addiction (10 strategies), **Priority Area 2:** Chronic Disease (7 strategies), **Priority Area 3:** Cross-Cutting Strategies (6 strategies), **Priority Area 4:** Safe Communities Coalition. The Alliance continues to grow with fresh ideas from new members. If you want to promote "A Healthier Wyandot County," call Wyandot County Public Health at (419) 294-3852, **and get involved!**

Wyandot County Public Health Staff



Top Row: Barb Mewhorter, Kelli Owens, Beth Gregory, Claire Russell, Beth Bower, Jeff Ritchey, Jeremiah Aigler
Middle Row: Shileigh Ricker, Jodi Kimmel, Arlene Schriener, Ashley Wick, Marianne Shawley, Cece Taylor, Erin Logsdon
Bottom Row: Amber Emans, Jamie Crawford, Michelle Swinehart, Darlene Steward, Danielle Schalk

2019 Fiscal Division

The Fiscal Division administers all state, federal, and local grants, oversees the collection of revenues and monitors expenses, payroll and purchasing. The Health District is audited once a year by the Auditor of the State of Ohio and has received a clean audit for many years. In addition to the state audit, the Board of Health Fiscal Committee meets twice annually. This committee is comprised of three members of the Board of Health and the Administrator.

Performance Management

In 2019 the Management Team and Finance Committee instituted a performance management project to better manage operating funds. We looked back 6 years to get a good picture of our average operating funds and we looked ahead 6 years to see where we wanted to be. We set incremental goals and found that we were able to meet our 2019 goal which was to have 30 days operating funds on hand. We continue to closely monitor this project.

Fiscal Staff 2019

Barbara Mewhorter
Administrator

Kelli Owens
Registrar, Administrative Assistant

Operating Funds for All Combined						
Year	Beginning Balance	YTD Revenue	YTD Expenditures	Ending Balance	Days	GOALS
2013	\$553,221.75	\$2,392,740.03	\$2,409,188.91	\$536,772.87	57.93	
2014	\$536,772.87	\$2,354,265.11	\$2,586,526.33	\$304,511.65	30.61	
2015	\$304,511.65	\$2,425,477.38	\$2,485,346.63	\$244,642.40	25.59	
2016	\$244,642.40	\$2,721,084.49	\$2,667,276.02	\$298,450.87	29.09	
2017	\$298,405.89	\$2,914,845.83	\$2,957,055.42	\$256,196.30	22.53	Operating Funds for 30 Days
2018	\$256,241.30	\$2,115,481.44	\$2,083,977.53	\$287,745.21	36.04	Operating Funds for 30 Days
2019	\$287,745.21	\$1,719,947.20	\$1,793,478.28	\$214,214.13	31.17	Operating Funds for 30 Days
2020						Operating Funds for 45 Days
2021						Operating Funds for 60 Days
2022						Operating Funds for 75 Days
2023						Operating Funds for 90 Days
2024						Operating Funds for 105 Days
2025						Operating Funds for 120 Days
Summary: Based on current daily average expenditures						

Grants and Intergovernmental Funds

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\$15,731	Safe Communities Grant
\$19,760	Medicaid Administrative Claiming
\$31,819	Reproductive Health & Wellness Grant
\$32,410	Mental Health & Recovery Board LifeSkills Grant
\$34,056	State Rollbacks/Reimbursement
\$44,009	Solid Waste Designated Funding
\$50,946	Public Health Emergency Preparedness Grant
\$87,419	Help Me Grow Home Visiting
\$115,628	Women, Infants, and Children Grant
\$115,837	Intergovernmental Apportionments
\$123,916	EPA Water Pollution Control Grant
\$671,531	Total

2019 Revenue Sources

Charges for Service: Environmental	\$4,867	0.3%
Non Revenue Receipts: Miscellaneous	\$37,361	2.4%
Charges for Service: Vital Statistics	\$43,659	2.8%
Intergovernmental Apportionments	\$115,837	7.3%
Fines, Licenses and Permits	\$144,501	9.1%
Intergovernmental Other Receipts	\$178,036	11.3%
Property Taxes	\$266,617	16.9%
Intergovernmental Grants	\$377,658	23.9%
Charges for Service: Nursing	\$412,922	26.1%
Total Revenue	\$1,581,458	100.0%

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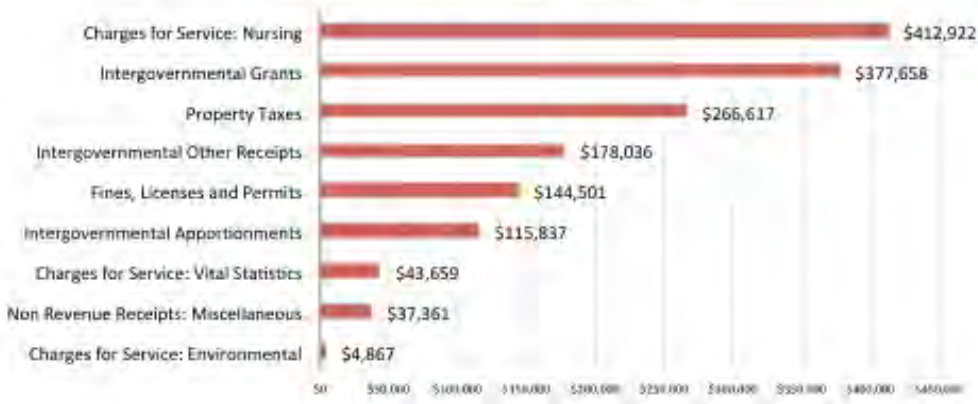
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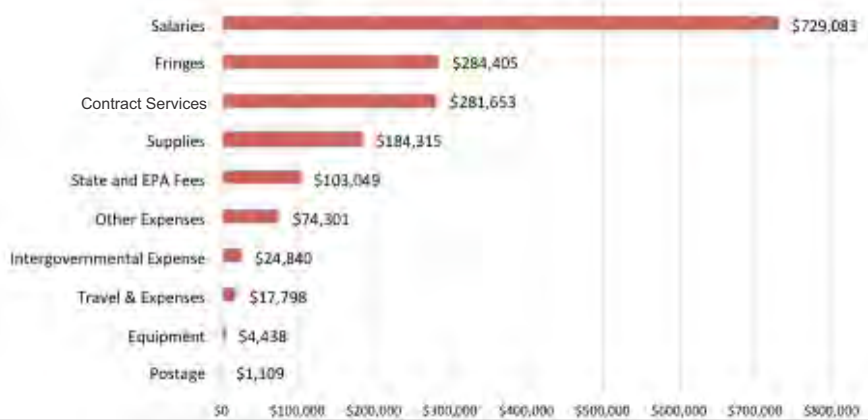
2019 Expenses

Postage	\$1,109	0.1%
Equipment	\$4,438	0.3%
Travel & Expenses	\$17,798	1.0%
Intergovernmental Expense	\$24,840	1.5%
Other Expenses	\$74,301	4.4%
State and EPA Fees	\$103,049	6.0%
Supplies	\$184,315	10.8%
Contract Service	\$281,653	16.5%
Fringes	\$284,405	16.7%
Salaries	\$729,083	42.8%
Total Revenue	\$1,704,991	100.0%

2019 Revenue Sources \$1,581,458



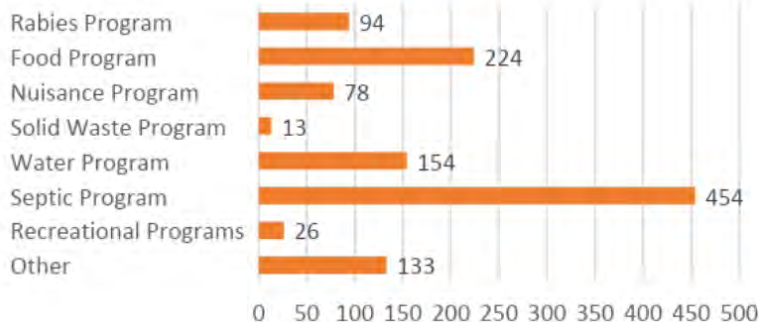
2019 Expenditures \$1,704,991



2019 Environmental Health Report of Activities

The Environmental Health Division's duties include conducting environmental health inspections at restaurants and other food service establishments as well as campgrounds, swimming pools, landfills, and tattoo facilities. Additional responsibilities include issuing water and sewage permits for private residences and overseeing the operation and maintenance of septic systems in the county. The Environmental Health Division is also involved in tracking all animal bites and assuring animals are quarantined and vaccinated for rabies.

1,176 Environmental Health Consults by Program



448 Permits / Licenses Issued by Major Program



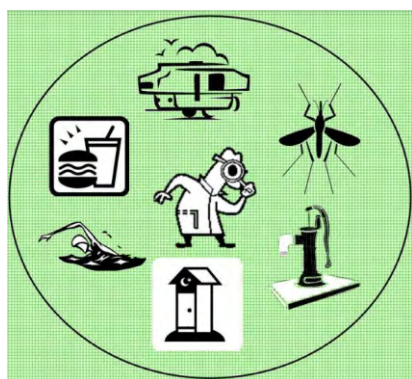
2019

Environmental Staff

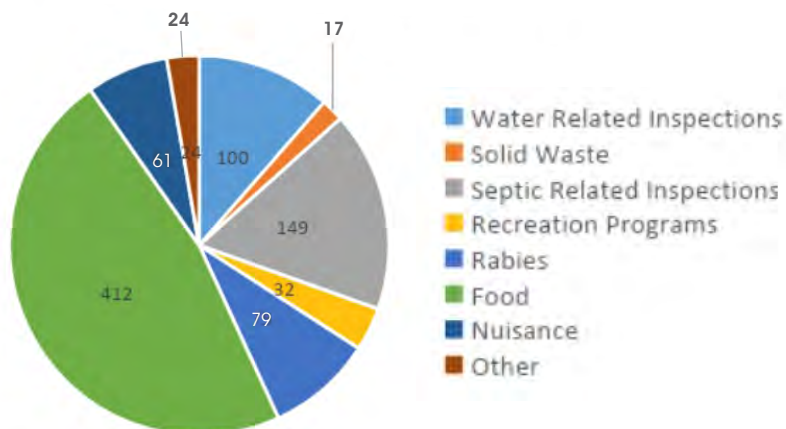
Jeffrey Ritchey
Director

Danielle Schalk
Sanitarian

Jeremiah Aigler
Sanitarian



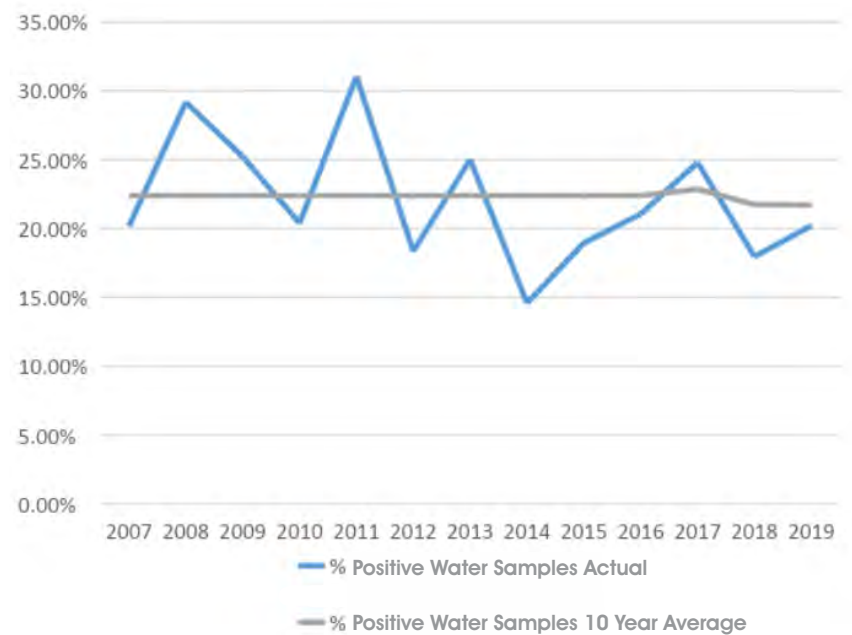
874 Total Investigations/Inspections



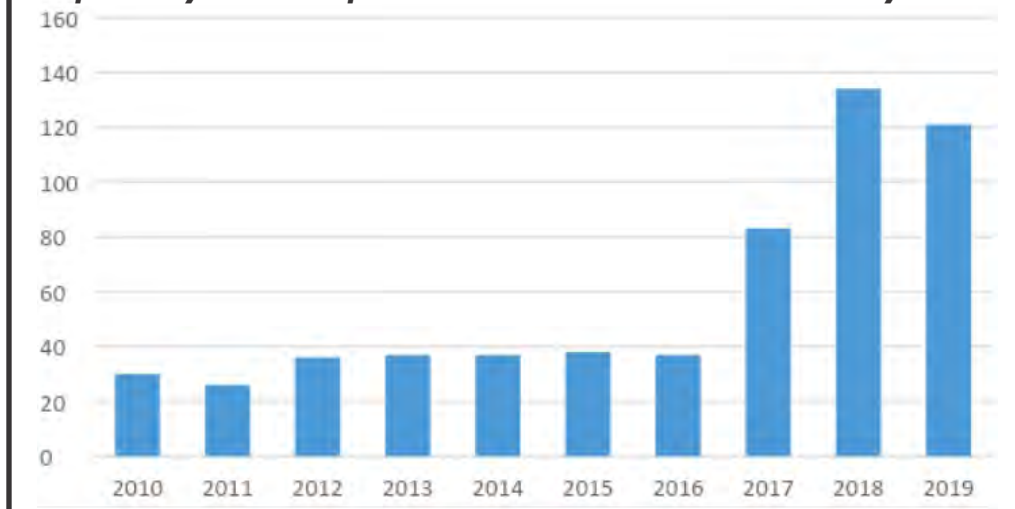
Environmental Health Performance Management

In 2019 the Environmental Health Division continued to monitor positive water sample rates for new and replaced private water systems. Local Private Water System Contractors were also provided with personalized quarterly water sample results, and information to improve their positive water sample rates. The ultimate goal of this project is to reduce the costs and inconvenience associated with the resampling of wells for homeowners, contractors and the Health Department, and to assure safe water for homeowners.

Positive Water Sample Rates by Year



Septic System Operational Permits Issued by Year



Since implementing changes to our local Household Sewage Treatment Systems Operational Permitting Program, an additional 100 operation permits are being issued each year for older septic system. Operational Permits help to assure that existing septic systems are being properly maintained and not creating nuisances.

\$ Grant Funding



2020 Grant funding is available for the replacement of failing household sewage treatment systems. Funding levels are based upon household income. Contact the Health Department for more information.

2019 Public Health Nursing Report of Activities

Public Health Nursing is defined as the presence of promoting and protecting the health of populations using knowledge from nursing, social and public health sciences (American Public Health Association, Public Health Nursing Section, 1996). Public health nursing practices focus on population health, with the goal of promoting health and preventing disease and disability.

2019 Nursing Programs included: Immunization clinics for all ages; Seasonal Influenza clinics; Communicable Disease reporting, investigation and follow-up; Children with Medical Handicaps; School Nursing; Sexual Health and Family Planning Clinic; Teen & Family Clinic; Help Me Grow Home Visiting; Life Skills Training Program; Car Seat Program; Lead Case Management and Lice Prevention.

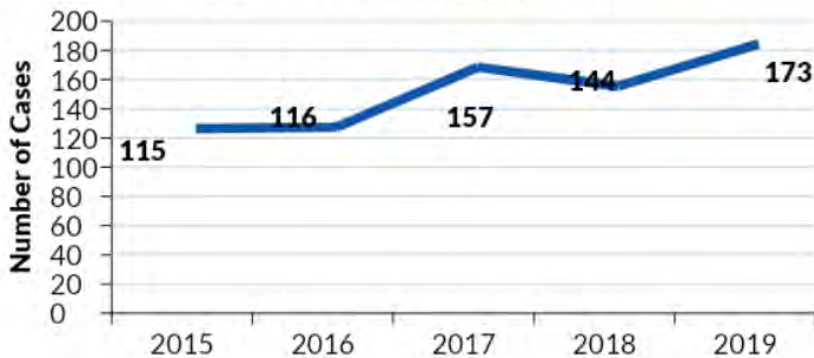
Nursing Staff

Darlene Steward, RN, Director
 Cece Taylor, HMG HV Supervisor
 Ashley Wick, RN

Shileigh Ricker, RN
 Beth Gregory, RN
 Michelle Swinehart, Clerk
 Amber Emans, Clerk

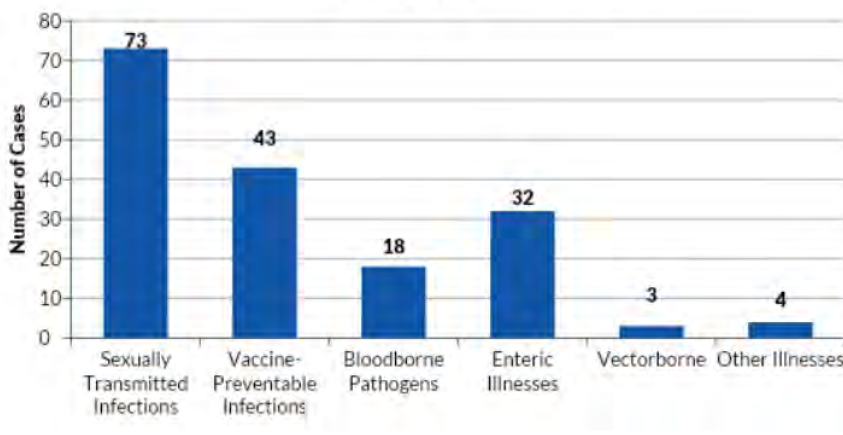
Beth Bower, RN
 Jodi Kimmel, Clerk
 Jamie Crawford, RN

Annual Communicable Disease Totals in Wyandot County, 2015-2019



Wyandot County saw a 17% increase in communicable disease cases from 2018 to 2019 (144 cases and 173 cases respectively). This graph shows the number of communicable disease cases occurring annually for the last five years.

Types of Communicable Diseases Reported in Wyandot County, 2019



- Case Counts include: confirmed, probable and suspect disease classifications.
- Sexually transmitted infections include: Chlamydia and Gonorrhea
- Vaccine preventable illnesses include: Hepatitis A, Hepatitis B, Influenza-associated hospitalizations, Streptococcus pneumoniae and Varicella
- Bloodborne pathogens include: Hepatitis C
- Enteric illnesses include: Campylobacteriosis, Cryptosporidiosis, E Coli, salmonella and Shigella
- Vectorborne illnesses include: LaCrosse virus and Lyme disease
- Other illnesses include: Legionnaires' disease, Meningitis-aseptic/viral, Haemophilus influenzae

2019 Public Health Nursing Division Highlights



Sexual Health & Family Planning Clinic

Improving the health and well-being of women and men

130 client visits
56 STD tests
7 LARC insertions



School Nursing & Delegated Nursing Services

Promoting student health and success

Hearing/Vision/Scoliosis Screenings
Classroom presentations/ Coordination of dental clinic/ health resource/
health management/community collaboration
Contracted nursing services at: Angeline, Carey, OLC, Upper Sandusky and St. Pete's
4,494 student contacts



Life Skills Training Program

Drug/Tobacco Prevention Program
Upper Sandusky: Grades 3/4/5/7/8
St. Peter's: Grades 3/4/5/6
Carey: Grades 3/4/5/6
OLC: Grades 3/4/5
Mohawk: Grades 3/4/5
Total Students: 1,141



Immunization Clinic

Reduce and eliminate vaccine preventable diseases for all ages

1661 Clients
3,081 Vaccines
1,010 Influenza Vaccines
73 PPD's



Help Me Grow Home Visiting

Promotes healthy growth and development prenatally, up to 3 years of age

47 Families Served • 398 Visits
8 Children aged out in 2019,
a 75% increase from 2018



Children with Medical Handicaps (CMH) Program

Serving Wyandot County children and their families who have complex medical needs.

117 Children

2019 Cause of Death

Accidents	2	COPD (CO)	7
Combined Drug Intoxication (Fentanyl,Oxydondone/Meth)	1	Dementia.	6
Car-Blunt Force (AV).	4	OTHER	13
Alzheimer's (AZ)	10	Parkinson's Disease (PK)	5
Bowel Perforation	1	Pending.	1
Cancer: (CA)	7	Pneumonia (PN)	3
Bladder	3	Pulmonary (PU)	4
Brain	3	Renal/Kidney (KD).	2
Breast (FB)	2	Respiratory Failure (RF)	6
Colon (CC)	3	Senescence (SE)	6
Esophageal	4	Sepsis/Septicemia (SP)	1
Lung (LC)	9	Stroke (ST)	4
Pancreatic (PA)	7	Suicide: (SU)	
Prostate	1	Gunshot Wound	4
Cardiac/Heart (HT).	64	Totals:	187
Cirrhosis of Liver (CL)	4		

2019 Vital Statistics

Birth and death certificates may be purchased for individuals who are born in Ohio and individuals who have died in Wyandot County. Both can be obtained in person at the health department, or by mail order following the instructions and using the request form under "Vital Stats" at wyandotohealth.com.

994 Birth Certificates Issued
652 Death Certificates Issued
305 Burial Permits Issued

Births 2019

Births Male 20
 Births Female 19
Total Births 39

Deaths 2019

Deaths Male 96
 Deaths Female 91
Total Deaths 187

Wyandot County Leading Causes of Death 2017-19

Total Deaths: 589

- Heart Disease (38% of all deaths)
- Cancer (17%)
- Alzheimers (5%)
- Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases (4%)
- COPD (4%)

(Source: Ohio Public Health Data Warehouse, 2014-2016)

Ohio Leading Causes of Death 2017

Total Deaths: 123,648

- Heart Disease (23% of all deaths)
- Cancers (21%)
- Accidents, Unintentional Injuries (7%)
- Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases (6%)
- Stroke (5%)

(Source: ODCD/Ohio Public Health Data Warehouse, 2017)

2019 WIC Report of Activities

WIC is a nutrition program that provides assistance for mothers and families who qualify by offering nutrition evaluation and education, breastfeeding education and support, highly nutritious supplemental foods and iron fortified formula if necessary. These promote good health for pregnant and postpartum women, infants and children up to age five. We work closely with partnering agencies and refer participants to other community service providers in the county for unmet needs.



Statistics 2019

Total Annual Number of Appointments	1,062
Average Monthly Caseload	282
New participants Seen	174
Total Annual Referrals	168
Breastfeeding Initiation Rate	70.7%
Percentage of Postpartum Women Breastfeeding	48%
Redemption of WIC Benefits in Wyandot County	\$123,045
USDA Grant Dollars Awarded	\$126,390



WIC Staff 2019

Arlene Schriener
RD, LC, Director

Claire Russell
Clerk

Jodi Kimmel
Medical Assistant

Erin Logsdon
Breastfeeding Peer Helper

WIC Quality Improvement Project

We are excited after nine years to have finally met our goal of a 55% breastfeeding initiation rate for our WIC moms. For 2019, we raised that goal to 75% and are currently at 70%. The Healthy People 2020 objective is 82% and will like be raised for 2030.

Highlights of Our Community Partnerships

Wyandot County Council for Birth Defects

In existence since 1985, Wyandot County Council for Birth Defects provides assistance to any Wyandot County resident who has been diagnosed with a birth defect. The organization assists with adaptive equipment; camp registration; gas vouchers; home modifications; lodging; supplies and FDA approved medications. Applications are obtained through a Wyandot County Public Health nurse who collaborates with Council members during meetings held every other month. There are no age or income requirements.



Wyandot County Family & Children First Council

Wyandot County Public Health employees are actively involved with Wyandot County Family & Children First Council. The Mission of Wyandot County Family & Children First Council is to assure a strong, integrated state, regional, and local partnership, and to work with these partners to develop and enact family-strengthening policies, implement effective community-based strategies, and enhance opportunities for optimal child well-being. The Wyandot County Child Well-Being Workgroup determines Wyandot County's priority commitment to child well-being based on Ohio's Six Commitments:

- Expectant Parents and Newborns Thrive
- Infants and Toddlers Thrive
- Children are Ready for School
- Children and Youth Succeed in School
- Children and Youth Engage in Healthy Behaviors
- Youth Transition Successfully into Adulthood



Community Garden

The Community Garden is a volunteer project spearheaded by Wyandot County Public Health, for the purpose of providing a place for Wyandot County citizens to grow their own nutritious fruits, vegetables and herbs. The garden, which has continued to grow in size since its creation in 2012, also provides a place for volunteers to grow fresh produce which is donated to the local food pantries and senior citizens centers. In addition to providing the community with a place to garden, volunteers also partner with Wyandot County 4th grade classes to start produce from seeds in classrooms. The students then plant their seedlings in the community garden and also take plants home for their own garden.

Safe Communities

Since 2013, the Wyandot County Safe Communities Coalition has partnered with local and state public safety agencies, transportation departments, and schools, to provide community education and awareness campaigns related to motorcycle safety, impaired driving, seat belt usage, and distracted driving. Monies obtained by the Health Department through the Safe Communities Grant, support these local partnerships with the goal of eliminating traffic fatalities in Wyandot County.

