

2014 Annual Report



Crawford County General Health District

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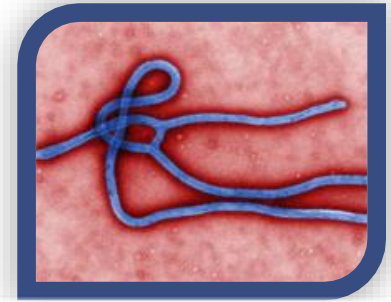
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2014 in Review

The three words “prevent, promote and protect” summarize the primary focus for all public health agencies.

In 2014 the Crawford County General Health District adjusted to many internal changes while implementing actions involving all three of those activities.

In the spring of 2014 staff collaborated with eight (8) other counties to investigate an outbreak of measles in Ohio that began with unvaccinated travelers to the Philippines. A true testament to the long standing public health practice of vaccination as a method of *prevention* from illness.



Ebola Virus
(Courtesy CDC image library)

The summer of 2014 brought reports of chikungunya virus (pronounced chik-en-gun-ye), a viral disease transmitted to humans by the bite of an infected mosquito. In late 2013, chikungunya virus was found for the first time in the Americas on islands in the Caribbean. By the end of 2014 Ohio had 38 cases of chikungunya virus disease reported to the Ohio Department of Health (all of whom had traveled to the Caribbean or South America). Unlike other mosquito-borne illnesses, this virus is able to be transmitted from infected humans to uninfected mosquitoes – causing the virus to spread among the mosquito populations. This is an example of the continuing need for public health surveillance and *promoting* safe practices to avoid mosquito bites.

On October 15th all local health departments were notified that a Dallas nurse that had tested positive for Ebola had visited Summit County October 10th-13th. Immediately all public health agencies began responding with interagency information sharing, medical material management, releasing information to the public and updating isolation and quarantine planning. *Protecting* the public from the spread of Ebola was at the forefront for every public health agency in the United States this fall.

We thank all of our community partners for supporting the Crawford County General Health District. We are excited about the path ahead of us in 2015 as we renew our commitment to improve the health of our community.

Board of Health Members:

- Linda Efaw, Board President
- Garnet “Sis” Love
- Phyllis Crall
- Bill Scott
- Scott Woodworth
- Dr. Amanda Kovolyan, M.D.
- Dean Sipe

Medical Director:

- Dr. Michael Johnson, M.D.

The Crawford County General Health District proudly serves 16 Townships, 5 Villages & 1 City (all of Crawford County except for the City of Galion). The WIC & Help Me Grow programs serve all of Crawford County.

The Board of Health meets every 3rd Wednesday at 4:30pm at the Crawford County General Health District conference room.

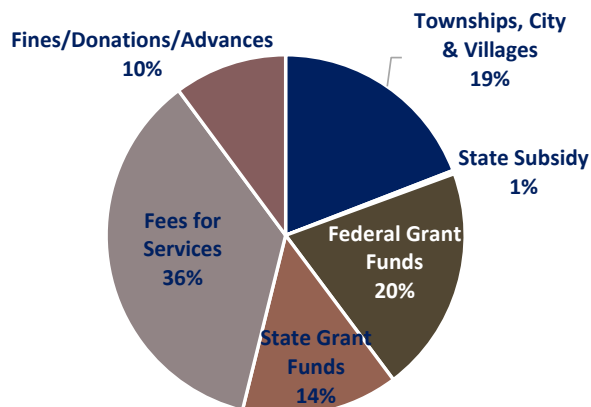
Administrative Services Division:

Overseeing all fiscal and budgetary duties, as well as many of the day to day operations, this division provides the necessary support to ensure all programs and activities of the health district are successful.

Putting your dollars to WORK (2014 Revenue & Expenses)

2014	Environ- mental	PHEP	Nursing	IAP	Help Me Grow	WIC	Administra- tive	Total
Revenues								
Subdivisions	-	-	-	-	-	-	386,869.53	386,869.53
State Subsidy	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,282.35	6,282.35
Federal Grant Funds	-	83,677.47	-	-	79,423.61	246,975.65	-	410,076.73
State Grant Funds	-	-	-	13,774.66	271,648.33	-	-	285,422.99
Fees	229,950.96	-	338,790.89	-	6,306.42	-	54,258.97	629,307.24
State Revenue Fees	-	-	33,989.76	-	38,838.45	-	24,243.62	97,071.83
Fines/Donations/Advances	3,398.97	15,281.78	65,612.62	78.46	2,988.01	52,314.28	66,000.00	205,674.12
Total Revenues	233,349.93	98,959.25	438,393.27	13,853.12	399,204.82	299,289.93	537,654.47	2,020,704.79
Expenses								
Personnel	84,700.68	72,008.45	272,961.52	11,921.48	272,740.33	226,067.98	273,668.07	1,214,068.51
Contracts for Service	5,694.67	5,163.26	15,693.75	-	18,238.12	18,117.09	69,455.04	132,361.93
Medical & Clinic Supplies, Vaccine & Lab Fees	-	-	113,362.16	-	-	-	-	113,362.16
Office & Program Supplies	5,353.60	9,672.44	11,267.59	2,906.88	21,425.06	13,330.55	30,078.27	94,034.39
Communications	-	-	-	1,774.19	-	-	239.57	2,013.76
Equipment, Software, & IT Supplies	1,002.04	20,171.80	4,800.00	134.52	17,535.38	240.00	10,446.86	54,330.60
State Fee Remittance	109,903.91	-	-	-	-	-	24,232.60	134,136.51
Meetings Trainings, & Mileage Reimbursement	4,560.06	2,077.92	4,156.44	112.32	18,564.98	-	2,273.92	31,745.64
Advances	-	15,000.00	-	10,000.00	-	51,000.00	130,086.62	206,086.62
Total Expenses	211,214.96	124,093.87	422,241.46	26,849.39	348,503.87	308,755.62	540,480.95	1,982,140.12
							Total Revenue minus Expenses:	38,564.67

Revenue Sources



With an operating budget over \$2 million, we received over 80% of our 2014 program funding from sources outside local tax dollars.

*Improving health outcomes today,
reduces our health costs tomorrow!*

Vital Statistics

The Vital Statistics division maintains records of all births and death in Crawford County (excluding Galion City) since 1908. Since 2011, we have been able to provide birth certificates for anyone born in Ohio (not just Crawford County). Our jurisdiction does not have a “birthing” hospital – the births listed below were both home births.

2014 Vital Statistics

Total Deaths.....	279
Male.....	135
Female.....	144
Death Certificates Issued.....	1,033
Burial Permits Issued.....	245
Total Births (both male).....	2
Birth Certificates Issued.....	741

Top Leading Causes of Deaths:

Heart Disease.....	65
Male.....	32
Female.....	33
Lung Cancer.....	24
Pneumonia.....	19
Respiratory Failure.....	18
CVA/Stroke.....	17
Accidents.....	9
Homicide.....	4
Suicide.....	1



WIC Division

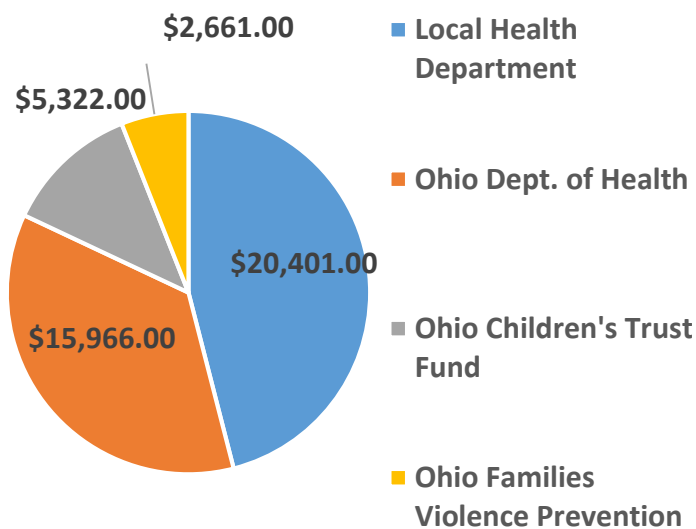
WIC is a supplemental nutrition program for post-partum, breastfeeding women, infants and children. Middle to low income families are provided nutrition education and coupons for nutritious foods and infant formula. Our Nutritionist meets with each new and recertifying client, discusses and writes down one goal for each participant to work on during their certification period. WIC services are provided to those who live in the county, meet the income requirements, and have a medical or nutritional need.

Crawford County WIC serves 78% of the potentially eligible clients in our county.

Our average breastfeeding initiation rate is 56%. Breastfeeding is encouraged and supported by our lactation consultant and peer helper.

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
New Clients.....	801	769
Recertified Clients.....	2,314	2,048
Nutrition Education.....	2,595	2,577
Total # Coupons Redeemed.....	56,807	55,553
Value of Coupons.....	\$760,019.23	\$753,300.87

Vital Stats 2014 Birth & Death Certificate Revenue Distribution



In August 2014 WIC hosted a baby shower with 12 community vendors. It was attended by 48 pregnant women along with their support person.



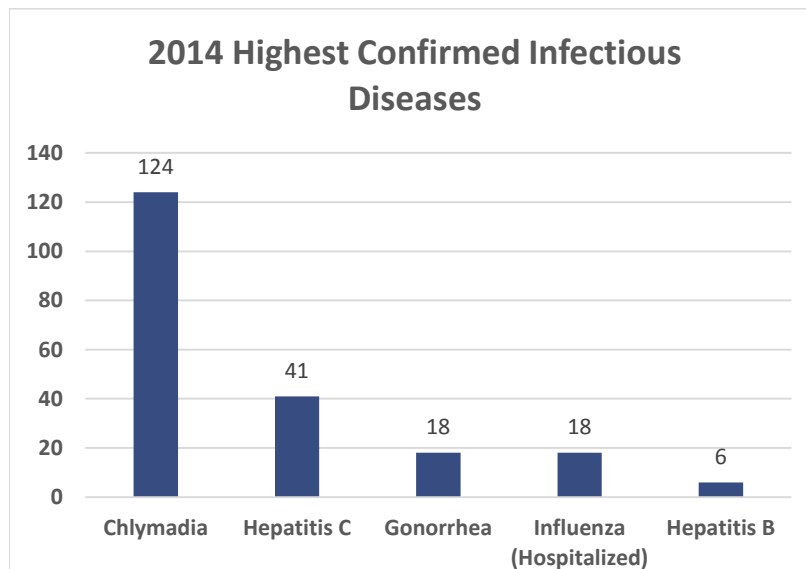
Nursing Division

The nursing staff provides a variety of services that includes vaccinations, communicable disease investigation, flu shots, STD/HIV testing, head lice checks, visual exams for foster care and car seat education and distribution. The goal is to educate and promote healthy lifestyles, address chronic, acute and communicable diseases to improve the overall health of the community we serve.

The Bureau for Children with Medical Handicaps (BCMh) program was developed to provide financial assistance, regardless of family income, to assist with diagnostic costs of children under the age of 21 with suspected special health care needs.

School nursing contracts with three (3) local school districts are in place to provide registered nurses for school health screening services. These nurses review immunization records to assure compliance with the mandatory vaccine requirements and complete the annual immunization report for the district for the state. They also provide screening services for hearing, vision and scoliosis. These nurses work with the school staff to develop and implement Individual Health Plans (IHPs) for those students with specialized health care needs.

The public health nurses are also contracted to provide services to the county jail, Council on Aging and Fairway School.



The public health nurses and the staff epidemiologist work together on all communicable disease investigations. The staff performs follow-up investigations on all reportable infectious diseases. In 2014 they saw the spike in Influenza activity mid-November, compared to mid-December in 2013.

2014 NURSING BY THE NUMBERS

- 3,007 Pediatric Vaccinations
- 439 Adult Flu Shots
- 219 Adult Vaccinations
- 202 Pediatric Flu Shots
- 315 Communicable Disease Investigations
- 110 HIV tests (0 positive)
- 62 STD tests (42 treated)
- 138 TB tests administered
- 90 BCMH cases
- 432 Council on Aging Home Visits
- 1,654 Hours at the Jail
- 3,073 Inmates seen by a nurse at the Jail
- 90 lice head checks
- 19 Visual Exams for foster care
- 7 Car Seat classes
- 37 Car Seats distributed
- 1,037 hours at Bucyrus City Schools
- 798 hours at Buckeye Central Schools
- 736 hours at Colonel Crawford Schools
- 19 hours at Holy Trinity
- 28 hours at Fairway
- 34 hours for lead testing and case management




Help Me Grow Division

This division continues to seek to improve the health and development of some of the county’s most vulnerable young families and children. In addition to our Early Intervention program, that provides services for families who have children with disabilities and delays, our Home Visiting Program provides parent education services to first-time parents living in poverty.

The Maternal Infant Early Childhood Home Visiting grant (MIECHV) expands our parent education services for children up to age five (5) and to non first-time parents.

Enrollment in all Help Me Grow programs is voluntary and remains strong and continues to expand. In addition to educational home visits, Help Me Grow families have the opportunity to participate in two (2) six-week sessions of swim and tumble time at the Galion YMCA, monthly Family Connection Meetings and a Holiday Open House.

Through the generous donations from area churches and General Electric, we have been able to provide additional supports and expanded services to these children and families. We feel fortunate to be part of such a generous community.

For posts regarding our activities and positive parenting practices, be sure to like us on **facebook**. 

Referrals received.....540

Home Visits.....1,907

Children Served.....253



Come Play with US!
Families enjoying Tumble & Plunge (left) as well as a Family Connections day at a local park (right).



Environmental Health Division

The health department employs Registered Sanitarians, commonly referred to as health inspectors. The primary role of a Registered Sanitarian is to reduce the risk of and/or prevent illness (such as food or water borne illnesses) and injury to the public through the enforcement of state and local regulations while providing education on environmental health.

Food Licenses Issued.....	138
Food Inspections Conducted.....	529
Mobile Food Licenses Issued.....	31
Temporary Food Licenses.....	22
Vending Food Licenses.....	24
Animal Bites/Exposures Reported.....	108
<i>(92 Dogs, 11 Cats, 4 Bats, 1 Muskrat)</i>	
Campground Licenses.....	4
Temporary Park Camp Licenses.....	5
Resident Camp Licenses/Inspections.....	2
Manufactured Home Park Inspections.....	30
Nuisance Complaints Received.....	23
School Inspections.....	28
Septic System Permits Issued.....	27
Septic System Inspections.....	34
Site Evaluations	13
Sewage Installers Licensed.....	15
Septic Pumpers Licensed.....	12
Solid Waste Hauler Companies <i>(50 trucks)</i>	15
Solid Waste Landfill Inspections.....	5
C&DD Landfill Inspections.....	4
Class IV Composting Site Inspections.....	5
Public Swimming Pools/Spas Licensed.....	14
Public Swimming Pool/Spa Inspections.....	59
Tattoo/Body Piercing Facilities Licensed.....	2
Water System Permits Issued.....	23
Water Samples Collected.....	80

In 2014 grant funds were available for low to moderate income families for replacing failed septic systems. Six (6) systems were replaced.

According to Ohio EPA estimates, these 6 replacements quantify for a reduction in 260.16 lbs total nitrogen and 98.4 lbs in total phosphorus.

In April 2014 the following facilities were recognized as the Food Safety Award Winners:

- Buckeye Central School Cafeteria
- Hardee's (Bucyrus)
- Kentucky Fried Chicken (Polk Twp.)
- Little Athens Greek Restaurant (Bucyrus)
- McDonald's Restaurant (Crestline)
- Taco Bell (Bucyrus)
- The Oak's Café (Chatfield Twp.)
- Wal-Mart (Bucyrus)
- Wynford Schools Cafeterias (Elementary & High School)

PHEP Activities

(Public Health Emergency Preparedness)

A major goal of the PHEP program involves ensuring that all public health emergency preparedness services provided during an emergency are equally accessible to all populations of Crawford County, to include functional needs populations. Key populations include those with language barriers, low socioeconomic status, physical and mental health impaired.

Accomplishments for 2014 include increasing our partnerships within Crawford County; testing of capabilities; establishing an in-house Epidemiologist to provide better disease investigation surveillance; developing closed PODs (point of dispensing sites for mass vaccinations) and re-evaluating open POD locations for better access and county-wide coverage; and most importantly, the development of a more reliable response network within the community for an all-hazards response. Gaps included the need to integrate more organizations and agencies into the community preparedness and recovery capability of planning and response.

PREPARING FOR ACCREDITATION

In 2014, the staff and Board began to prepare for the accreditation process. Accreditation is the measurement of a health department's performance against a set of nationally recognized, practice-focused and evidence-based standards. Accreditation incorporates the continual development, revision, and distribution of public health services.

What are the benefits?

- Better identification of strengths and weaknesses of the health department
- Improved documentation of the Ten Essential Public Health Services
- Transparency
- Quality Improvements and better performance management
- Improved accountability to the community and stakeholders
- Improved communications with the board of health
- Improve our competitiveness for state and grant funding

The Ohio Department of Health has stated that a condition of receiving funding will be that public health agencies must have applied for accreditation by July 1, 2018, and be accredited by July 1, 2020.

What does your Health District look like?

7 Public Health Nurses, 7 Social Workers, 3 Registered Sanitarians, 2 Registered Dieticians, 1 Registrar, 1 Deputy Registrar, 1 Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, 1 Epidemiologist, 5 Division Directors, 7 Support Staff, 1 Lactation Consultant, 1 Breastfeeding Peer Helper, 1 Health Commissioner, 1 Administrator, 1 Medical Director, 1 Back-up Medical Director.

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HOURS OF SERVICE:

Regular Hours (Open to the Public):

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday: 8:00am – 4:30pm

Tuesday: 9:00am – 4:30pm (closed from 8:00-9:00am for weekly staff meetings)

Clinics

Vaccination Clinics Every Thursday:

2nd & 3rd Thursdays - 9:00-11:30am & 3:00-6:30pm

All other Thursdays - 9:00-11:30am & 1:00-4:00pm

New Washington Clinic - Every 3rd Wednesday - 9:00-11:30am

HIV/STD Testing – Every 1st & 3rd Tuesday - 4:00-6:00pm

WIC Clinics:

BUCYRUS (1520 Isaac Beal Rd.)

2nd, 3rd & 4th Tuesdays - 8:00am – 5:00pm

1st, 3rd & 4th Thursdays - 8:00am – 5:00pm

2nd Thursday - 9:30am – 6:30pm

2nd Friday - 8:00am – 5:00pm

GALION (First United Church of Christ – 248 Harding Way W.)

1st Tuesday 9:30am – 6:30pm

Every Wednesday 8:00am – 5:00pm

1st, 3rd & 4th Friday 8:00am – 5:00pm

CRESTLINE (Calvary United Church of Christ – 511 Heiser Ct.)

1st Monday 8:00am – 5:00pm

3rd Monday 9:30am – 6:30pm

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