

2017 ANNUAL REPORT



Holmes County General Health District

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Health Commissioner's Report

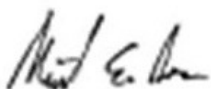
It gives me great pleasure to introduce to you the Holmes County General Health District 2017 Annual Report which outlines a brief overview of programs, services and the goals and direction the HCGHD will take to prevent, promote and protect the health of Holmes County.

During the last year the HCGHD has worked towards Public Health Accreditation and has realigned the main documents to support the mission of the agency. The Community Health Assessment (CHA), Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP), and HCGHD Strategic plan all were updated and aligned. The Strategic Plan will help ensure that the workforce within HCGHD has a blueprint to fulfill the mission of working with the community to protect and improve the health and environment of those people who live, work, and play within Holmes County.

The HCGHD has always been focused on improving the health and well-being of the community. Using the feedback of the CHA and CHIP we truly are using feedback from the community and dedicating resources to community priority areas while advancing the HCGHD. It is encouraging to see this alignment.

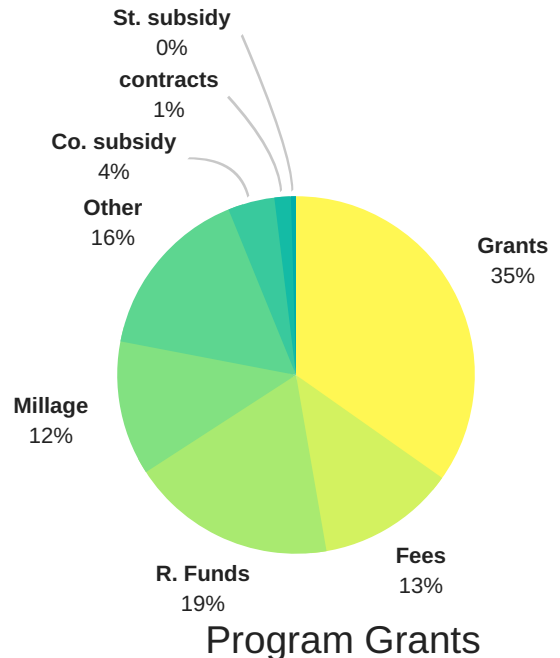
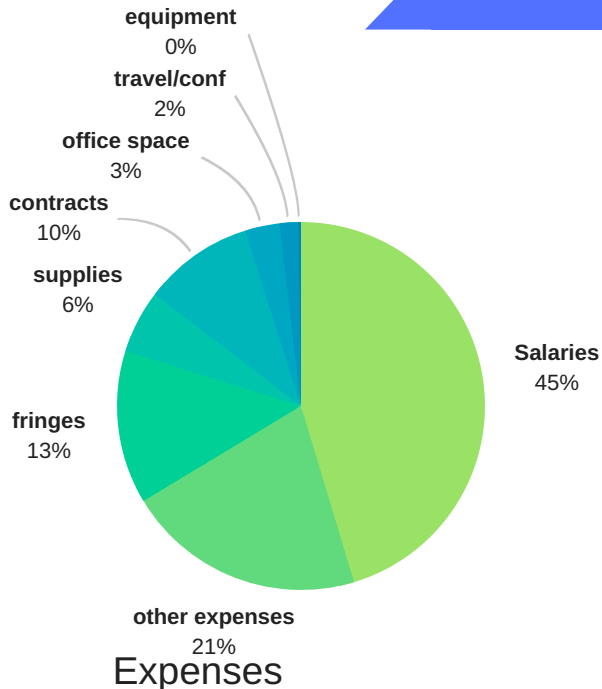
The next year will be a busy year, full of deadlines and collaborative efforts to create better health outcomes for our county. As a partner of the Partners for a Healthier Holmes County, we will do our part to achieve the county goal of being the number one health outcome county in Ohio. Some great initiatives are coming from the group and looking at Preventative Care, Access to Care, and Mental Health as focus areas for the next three years. The Health District will be available to assist our partners in areas and we are willing to take the lead on other areas so we can achieve this success together.

I could not be prouder of our fine workforce and the supportive board for the manner in which they shared, supported and crafted our Strategic Plan. Now is the time we take action as a team and achieve success together. As George Washington Doane, Bishop of New Jersey in 1825 wrote "Onward and upward", which is a common phrase shared among our team at the Health District. The meaning in the literal sense, Onward means moving forward without looking back, and upward means having a goal of continued self-improvement. If we all apply a mindset of moving on with what we learn and don't dwell on our past we truly can keep improving ourselves and our county. I like to think that the HCGHD is moving onward and upward together and with hard work, clear goals, and dedicated staff we can achieve anything.



Michael Derr, MBA
Health Commissioner

2017 by the numbers



Expenses	
Salaries	814,810.67
Other Expenses	377,819.54
Fringes	242,254.49
Supplies/Office	99,611.73
Contracts	174,403.42
Office Space	54,829.75
Travel/conference	29,612.25
Equipment.	3,828.77
TOTAL:	1,797,170.62

Revenue	
Grants	603,358.68
Fees	216,991.28
Restricted funds	322,634.12
Millage	211,038.74
Other Reciepts	274,624.57
County subsidy	73,333.33
Contracts	25,727.25
State subsidy	7,910.94
TOTAL REVENUE	1,735,618.91

Program Grants	
Child & Family Health	28,883.66
HMG	90,459.12
SHC	129,897.23
IP	70,798.18
PHI	84,277.75
IAP	26,965.11
WIC	172,077.63
Ohio EPA	0.00
TOTAL:	603,358.68

2017 Statistics

Environmental Health

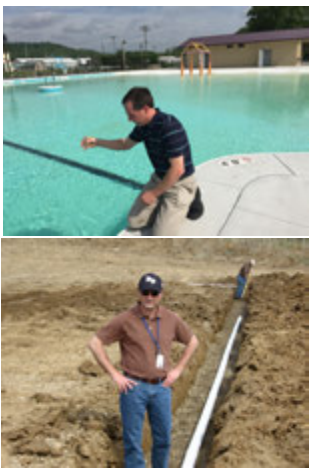
Nuisances Reported	14
Nuisances Abated	12
SEWAGE	
Site Reviews	104
Permits Issued	111
Permit-to-alter Issued	16
Small Flow Site Reviews	10
Household Sewage Inspections	800
Semi-public Sewage Inspections	265
Small Flow Inspections	143
Consultations	837
Animal Bites Reported	25
FOOD	
Licenses Issued	385
Inspections	623
WATER	
Permit to Install	109
Total Inspections	211
Consultations	235

Personal Health

BCMh	
Average Monthly Caseload	165
HOME VISITING PROGRAM	
Average Monthly Caseload	20
EARLY INTERVENTION	
Average Monthly Caseload	50
COMMUNITY HEALTH EDUCATION	
Presentations	115
People Reached	3,732
SOCIAL MEDIA OUTREACH	
Facebook posts	91
People reached	20,973
IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM	
Number of persons immunized	1,539
COMMUNICABLE DISEASES	
Reported Communicable Diseases	111
WIC	
Average Monthly Caseload	451

Vital Statistics

Holmes County Births	640
Hospital Births	537
Home Births	51
Out of County Births	340
Deaths Recorded	291
Fetal Deaths	3
Deaths under 18	1
Trauma Death	2
CERTIFIED VITAL RECORDS	
Birth Certificates	1,993
Death Certificates	842
LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH	
Heart Disease	98
Cancer	78
Stroke	24
Alzheimer's	21
COPD	14
Accidental Injury	11



Environmental Health



One of the many things we have been able to offer our community is a scrap tire nuisance cleanup. We were able to acquire a grant to help us clean up some of the areas in Holmes county which had large amounts of scrap tires which can be a breeding ground for mosquitoes. We were able to collect over 6,500 tires. We had an increase in the amounts of animal bites in 2017, however none of them tested positive for rabies. As our community continues to grow and expand we grow right along with it, inspecting new restaurants, stores, and recreational areas, as well as private water and sewage inspections.



Accreditation Update



We are currently working towards completing our accreditation process. Per the Ohio Revised Code, all public health departments in the state of Ohio must be accredited by the Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB) by July 1, 2020. Health departments who do not achieve accreditation may lose their ability to apply for and receive funding from the state, therefore putting them at risk of losing non-mandated programs. In order to achieve PHAB accreditation, local health departments must submit documentation demonstrating compliance in the provision of the ten (10) essential public health services. In all, this requires health districts to submit over 200 pieces of documentation to PHAB. The documents are then reviewed by PHAB and an accreditation decision is made. We plan to submit all of our documentation to PHAB by August 2018 and we are hoping to achieve PHAB accreditation by spring of 2019.



Amish Health and Safety Day



Aug 8th, 2017 was the 18th annual Amish Health and Safety Day which we along with our community partners and the Safe Communities Coalition present specifically for the plain community. It was held at Keim Lumber. We had over 1,500 people in attendance and over 50 vendors were there to provide important education to keep Holmes County healthy and safe.



Holmes County Fair



Always a favorite event for us to attend is "Kid's Day" at the Holmes County Fair that was held August 7th - 11th, 2017. We really enjoy seeing all the excited little faces as they experiment and learn at our "Hand Washing Station". We also set up a table throughout the week so that our staff had chance to talk with the public on what services we offer as well as to answer any questions. Additionally, we offered free vision and hearing screenings, referring kids to our Sight for Students program if needed.





★ Personal Health Services ★

Personal Health covers many areas. Currently the agency hosts Bureau for Children with Medical Handicaps (BCMh), which provides families with a linkage to care and services, and Injury Prevention (IP) which focuses on our older adult population. Providing them with educational (Matter of Balance) as well as exercise (Tai Chi) classes. We continue to grow and reach out further into all areas of Holmes county with Women Infant Children (WIC) program which added outreach partnered with our Immunization clinics in Walnut Creek and Mt Hope. Our Director of Nursing is busy working with our newly re-established Medical Reserve Corp. (MRC).

Help Me Grow had a change in structure this year as we were divided into two (Early Intervention and Home Visiting). We are still doing everything we can to provide the education and support our families need, as well as some really great group outings with our families! We continue to serve our community through our immunization clinics. Visit our website for an updated schedule to see when we will be in your area.



Staff Training and Drills

The HCGHD is committed to providing a constant learning environment for our staff. We provide various forms of training which are specific to each department as well as group training and drills.

Here are a few that we hosted this year:

- February: HIPPA Training
- April: NECO Mass Fatality Functional Exercise
- April : COOP Tabletop Exercise
- July: Cultural Competency Training
- August: ICS Training
- September: Human Trafficking Training
- October: Quality Improvement Training
- October: POD Drill /Flu Clinic



Employee Spotlights

Every quarter we recognize an employee for their outstanding service here are the 2017 honorees



JEN MENUENZ



GINI KERN



LAURIE SABEL



CATHY KICK



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Community Health Assessment and improvement plan

Recognizing women who have contributed significantly to the health and wellness of Holmes Co residents.



Esther Spreng

Kerry MacQueen

Recognizing employees for their long term dedication and service to the community through public health.



Mo Mullet

Cathy Kick

Recognizing employees for their years of service



1 yr of service

Christine Feikert



1 yr of service

Jessica Klepatzki



1 yr of service

Kerry MacQueen



15 yrs of service

Laurie Sabel

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In 2017, the Holmes County General Health District, Pomerene Hospital, and other local community partners and agencies joined forces to create a collaborative group called The Partner's for a Healthier Holmes County (The Partner's). The Partner's mission is to improve the health and quality of life for residents of Holmes County. In early 2017, surveys were administered to a random sample of adult and youth residents in Holmes County in order to assess the health of our community and identify the health issues of greatest concern. The data from these surveys is presented in the 2017 Community Health Assessment report.

Here is the link

<http://holmeshealth.org/data-reports/>

