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Health Bulletin

The Mission of the Marion County Health Department is to improve the quality of life through preventing disease and preventative health maintenance.



April 2nd is World Autism Awareness Day The day recognizes and spreads awareness for the rights of people with autism. The condition typically starts during childhood and continues into adulthood. Did you know that CDC statistics revealed that autism spectrum disorder (ASD) is 4.3 times more prevalent in boys than it is in girls? This is because girls “often go undiagnosed because they don’t fit autism stereotypes and they mask symptoms better than boys do”, according to the Child Mind Institute. There is no better way to celebrate this day than by becoming aware of the characteristics of people with this condition and how all of us can do better to increase our own understanding and promote kindness.

Autism Spectrum Disorder is a developmental disorder characterized by behavioral and communicational affections that impact a person’s ability to navigate social interactions and also causes repetitive and restricted behavior.

The first historical appearance of the word “Autism” was made in 1911 by the psychiatrist Eugen Bleuler, who used the term to describe a specific cluster of symptoms that were considered simple symptoms of schizophrenia as an extreme social withdrawal.

In that order, it was in 1943, when pediatric psychiatrist Dr. Leo Kanner characterized Autism as a social and emotional disorder in his article “Autistic Disturbances of Affective Contact”, and in 1944 Hans Asperger published his “Autism Psychopathology Article” where he described autism as a disorder of normal intelligence children who have difficulties with social and communication skills. These articles were an important contribution to the studies that helped to classify Autism as a disorder separate from schizophrenia in 1980.

Scientists found recently that many genetic mutations can be associated with autism, the results show that there are more than 100 autism risk genes. But also most of the cases have a complex combination of genetic and environmental factors.

Autism is not diagnosed until the age of 2 years and only a specialist (psychologist, psychiatrist, neurologist) can diagnose it, but there are some things to look out for, like lack of sharing sound, smiles and facial expressions by 9 months or forming words by 16 months.

With the continuous investigation and research on autism, World Autism Awareness Day was set to April 2nd of each year by the “United Nations General Assembly” on Resolution 62/139” and adopted on December 18, 2007, to encourage member states to take action in raising awareness about people with autism spectrum disorder and support the research finding new ways to improve wellness and inclusion.



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February 2021 Statistics

Clinics

Blood Pressure/Blood Sugar Clinics...	0
Persons served: Blood Pressure.....	0
Persons served: Blood Sugar	0
Paternity Testing Clinics.....	0
Number of Persons Tested.....	0

Immunizations

Number of Clinics	7
No. of adults	3
No. of adults immz. adm.....	3
No. of pediatrics	19
No. of pediatrics immz. adm.....	47
Total of vaccines administered	50

Children's Immunizations

Pediarix.....	4
Pediatric Flu	0
Hib	8
Prevnar	7
Rotavirus	2
Hep A	5
Dtap.....	4
MMR	5
Tdap	1
Hepatitis B.....	1
Varicella	3
Kinrix	2
Gardasil	3
Meningitis.....	1
Pentacel.....	0
IPV (Polio)	1
Td	0
Men. B.....	0

Adult Immunizations

Hepatitis A	0
Hepatitis B	0
Flu	1
Meningitis.....	0
MMR	0
Pneumonia 23	0
TD.....	0
Tdap	1
Typhoid.....	0
Varicella	0
Yellow Fever	0
Prevnar 13.....	0
Shingrix.....	1

Maternal Child Health (MCH)

Maternal Health Encounters.....	309
WIC Caseload.....	1158

MCH Continued...

WIC Clients receiving Education. .	117
WSSM / WIC Education	99

Internet WIC Education.....	4
Individual WIC Education	14
Lead.....	0
Hemoglobins.....	0
ASQ Developmental Screenings	71
Depression Screenings	44
EPSDT'S.....	0
Flouride Varnish (Oral Health)	0
Number of Vision Tested	0
Number of Hearing Tested	0
OAE Hearing Tested.....	0
Pregnancy Tests.....	0

Family Case Management

APORS Investigations	1
Healthworks Caseload.....	97

Communicable Disease Investigations

Chickenpox	0
COVID-19.....	116
Cryptosporidiosis	0
Hepatitis B	0
Hepatitis C	11
Histoplasmosis	0
HIV/AIDS Cases Investigated	0
HIV Test.....	0
Salmonellosis.....	0
Streptococcal Infections (Group A) ..	1
Whooping Cough (Pertussis)	0

Sexually Transmitted Disease

Chlamydia	11
Gonorrhea	1
Syphilis.....	0

TB (Tuberculosis)

Tests Administered.....	0
New Prophylactic Patients	0
New Investigations	0
New Active Cases.....	0

Drug Testing

5-Panel Hair Drug Test	0
9-Panel Non-Regulated Urine Test .	0
5-Panel Hair Test w/ Exp.Opiates ...	0

Lab Draws

Private Pay

Salem Office.....	38
Centralia Office	14
Total Private Pay Lab Draws.....	52

Quest Lab Draws

Salem Office.....	0
Centralia Office.....	3
Total Quest Lab Draws.....	3

Environmental Health

Food

Routine Inspections.....	8
Follow-up Inspections	0
Complaint Inspections	0
Temporary Inspections	0
Pre-Operational Inspections	2
Emergency Incident Inspections	1
Number of Permits Issued	16

Sewage

Routine Inspections.....	0
Complaint Inspections	0
Realty Inspections	0
Sewage Systems Installed.....	2
Number of Permits Issued	2

Water

New System Inspections.....	0
Existing Water Well Inspections.....	0
Realty Inspections	0
Complaint Inspections	0
Water Wells Sealed	0
Number of Permits Issued.....	0

Closed Loop Wells

Closed Loop Well Inspections	0
Systems Installed	0
Number of Permits Issued	0

Tanning

Routine Inspections.....	0
Follow-up Inspections	0
Complaint Inspections	0

Body Art

Routine Inspections.....	0
Follow-up Inspections	0
Complaint Inspections	0

Miscellaneous

Animal Bites.....	2
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FIT Test

Female.....	0	Male.....	0
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