

To the Citizens of Marion County

On behalf of the Marion County Board of Health, I present to you the 2022 Annual Report of the Marion County Health Department. This report is a statistical picture of the activities of the Marion County Health Department for the fiscal year December 1, 2021 through November 30, 2022, as we continue our efforts to promote and protect the health of the Marion County residents.

This year marks the 29th year of the continued commitment to the residents of Marion County. The Health Department has an important role in every resident's daily life, by providing food safety, sewer compliance, immunizations, health screenings, labs, disease surveillance, and preventative health services to mothers and children.

This Annual Report summarizes the services we provide and the occurrence of the specific diseases.

I would like to thank the Board of Health, the Marion County Board, and the residents of Marion County for your support.



Melissa Mallow, LEHP, BA Public Health Administrator



Public Health
Prevent. Promote. Protect.

Mission Statement

Our mission is to improve the quality of life for citizens in Marion County through preventing disease and preventative health maintenance.

Marion County Board of Health

11/30/2022

PRESIDENT

Tom Turner, MS

Elizabeth Franczyk, MD

Kendra Taylor, DNP, RN

Aziz Rahman, MD

Paula Strother, RN

SECRETARY

Kyle Clark, DMD

Michael Morton, RPh

Creighton Engel, DC, MS

Keith Kessler, BS, JD

Marion County Health Department Staff

11/30/2022

Administration

Melissa Mallow, LEHP, BA.....Public Health Administrator

Cathy HaysAdministrative Secretary

Bill Thouvenin.....Emergency Preparedness Coordinator

Nursing Staff

Caitlyn Crain, BSN, RN ...Director of Clinical Services

Judy Jenkins, LPN.....Public Health Nurse

Diane Kuhl, RN.....Public Health Nurse

Terri Adams, RN . Director of Family Services

Carmen Stanley, RNMCH Nurse

Paige Gooden, RNMCH Nurse

Kay Moore, RNMCH Nurse

Cathy Jourdan, RN.....MCH Nurse

Environmental Health

Sean Lemmon, MPH, LEHP, REHS.....

.....Director of Environmental Health

Daniel Tahtinen, MA..... Health Inspector

Michelle Slater.....Environmental

Health Secretary & Bookkeeper

Support Staff

Cheryl Back, AAS . Billing/Computer Specialist

Artina Fogerson..... WIC Secretary

Jaime Ferguson..... WIC Secretary

Pam Farmer Front Desk Secretary

Stacey Arnold Front Desk Secretary

Gina Phillips Front Desk Secretary

Vanessa Rostance.....Front Desk Secretary

Kat Dailey.....Breastfeeding

Peer Supervisor

Lindsay Green.COVID-19 Response Specialist

Services Offered

Blood Pressure Screenings
 Blood Sugar Screenings
 Communicable Disease Control
 COVID-19 Vaccinations
 Emergency Preparedness/Medical Reserve Corps (MRC)
 Family Case Management
 FIT Testing (Fecal Immunochemical Test)
 Food, Private Water & Sewer Programs
 HIV Counseling & Testing
 Immunizations
 Influenza & Pneumonia Vaccinations
 International Travel Immunizations
 Lab Services
 Lead Screenings and Case Management
 Opioid Overdose Education & Narcan Distribution
 Sexually Transmitted Infection Testing & Treatment
 Tanning and Body Art Inspections
 TB Control Program
 Vision & Hearing Screenings
 West Nile Virus Program
 WIC Program

Salem Office

118 Cross Creek Boulevard
 (618) 548-3878

Immunizations

Every Monday, 9 a.m.—5 p.m.

By Appointment

We now except most insurance plans

Lab Services

Every Wednesday and Thursday,

8 a.m.—10:45 a.m.

Blood Pressure / Blood Sugar Testing

Walk-ins Welcome

Centralia Office

1013 North Poplar

(618) 532-6518

Immunizations

Every Wednesday, 9 a.m.—5 p.m.

By Appointment

We now except most insurance plans

Lab Services

Every Tuesday, 8 a.m.—10:45 a.m.

Blood Pressure / Blood Sugar Testing

Walk-ins Welcome



118 Cross Creek Boulevard, Salem



1013 North Poplar, Centralia



Nursing Services

Tuberculosis Control

Skin Tests Administered	177
Prophylactic Patients.....	0
Active Cases	0

Chronic Disease Control

Blood Pressure Screenings	35
Blood Sugar Screenings	34
Labs Draws	894

Communicable Disease

Sexually Transmitted Infections:

Chlamydia.....	154
Gonorrhea	79
Syphilis	5

Communicable Disease Active Cases

Salmonella	8
Hepatitis B	15
Hepatitis C	46
Mumps	1

Immunization Efforts

By: **Caitlyn Crain**
Director of Clinical Services

One of the many preventative services the Marion County Health Department (MCHD) offers include immunizations. American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) states, "Immunizations are one of the greatest public health achievements, preventing tens of thousands of deaths, millions of cases of disease, and saving billions of dollars per decade." (*Immunizations*)

Over the year, MCHD provided over 3,400 vaccinations. Our vaccination program includes privately purchased immunizations, Vaccines for Children program, and 317 vaccines.

Privately purchased vaccines encompass those vaccines that MCHD purchases from manufacturers and bills to private insurance. Some examples include routinely recommended vaccines, some vaccines able to be billed in conjunction with Medicare Part D, yearly influenza vaccines, and vaccinations required for travel. The Vaccines for Children program (VFC) is a program that provides free vaccines to eligible children. VFC participation is optional, but MCHD recognizes that without these services, potentially thousands of Marion County children would be left searching for immunizations. "Section 317 of the Public Health Service Act authorizes the federal purchase of vaccines to vaccinate children, adolescents, and adults. Over its 50-year history, Section 317-purchased vaccine has been directed towards meeting the needs of priority populations." (*Questions on vaccines purchased with 317 funds* 2016) COVID-19 vaccine fell under this category.

During the pandemic vaccination efforts, MCHD hosted numerous free off-site, on-site, and pediatric-specific vaccination clinics. Vaccinations of populations often overlooked, forgotten, or underserved, were also a focus. MCHD nurses traveled into the community to vaccinate those who were homebound, facing mobility challenges, as well as for those who were incarcerated.

Immunizations. Home. (n.d.). Retrieved April 19, 2023, from <https://www.aap.org/immunization>
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. (2016, February 17). *Questions on vaccines purchased with 317 funds*. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Retrieved April 19, 2023, from <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/imz-managers/guides-pubs/qa-317-funds.html>



Immunizations & Screenings

Immunizations

Immunization Clinics.....	97
Persons Immunized	1,895
Vaccines Administered	2,867
Meningitis	306
Influenza— Adult persons Immunized.....	646
Influenza— Pediatric persons Immunized.....	80
Varicella	92
Shingrix	66
Tdap	234
Gardasil	100
Yellow Fever.....	5

Lead Screenings

Persons Tested.....	213
---------------------	-----

HIV Testing

Persons Tested.....	39
---------------------	----

Vision & Hearing Screening

Vision Tested	157
Hearing Tested.....	189

FIT Tests

FIT Tests	3
-----------------	---

IPLAN

By: **Melissa Mallow**
Administrator

Every five years, the Health Department completes a Community Health Needs Assessment or IPLAN. The specific tasks were to collect, analyze, prioritize, and share information about health problems in Marion County. A committee of community partners were gathered to look at county statistics compared to Illinois and United States statistics. The committee then compiled a list of health problems found in Marion County. After looking at the data, three priorities were identified.

1. Mental Health
2. Hygiene with an emphasis on dental hygiene
3. Poverty with an emphasis on food insecurity

Each health priority was broken down by Risk Factors, Direct and Indirect Contributing Factors. Community Resources and Barriers were also compiled. Goals and strategies were then developed to guide the community partners to work together to address our three health priorities over the next five years.



Maternal and Child Health

By: Terri Adams
Director of Family Services

Marion County Health Department seeks to promote and protect the health and welfare of its residents. The goals of the Maternal and Child Health Programs (WIC/FCM) are to promote healthy pregnancies, full term healthy infants and children along with healthy families who possess good mental, physical, emotional and social health.

Prenatal clients, infants, and children receive nutritional education. Health screenings such as HGB, lead, weight, height, blood pressure, developmental screenings, immunizations, fluoride varnish for infants 6 months to 3 years, depression screenings, and reproductive life plan to help the client think about choices of birth control in order to have a safe and healthy space between pregnancies. Breastfeeding education provided by the Breastfeeding Peer Counselors and Maternal Child Health Nurses.

As medical case managers, our RN staff also work with children birth to six years old who are in custody of DCFS and are placed in foster care in Marion County. Another program we have is APORS, which is high risk infants in our county that have more extensive health concerns. We follow them more closely to make sure they are getting all the services they need for growth and development.

We have many sources of referrals to offer our clients if needed for services that we do not provide, such as mental

health, dental, food pantries, etc.

The past couple of years has been a challenge due to COVID-19 and some staff changes, but we remain committed to our community to provide and educate to the best of our ability.

In addition to the RN Director, our Maternal Child Health staff is comprised of four RNs, two Breastfeeding Peer Counselors, and two WIC Secretaries.

Maternal & Child Nursing Services

WIC Caseload (Average).....	1,089
Pediatric Developmental Screenings.....	813
Perinatal and Pediatric Hemoglobin Tests.....	502
Pediatric Fluoride Varnish Application.....	149
Perinatal Women Depression Screenings.....	570
WIC Nutritional Education Sessions.....	1,656
Breast Pumps Provided.....	57

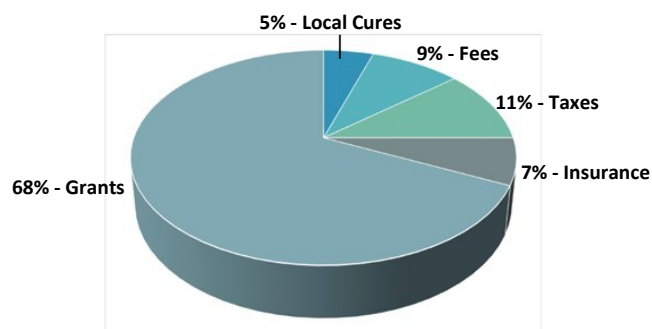


Financial Statement

Revenue

State & Federal Grants	\$1,167,808.44
State & Federal Billing	5,057.67
Local Taxes.....	189,570.66
Interest	3,050.52
Permits.....	18,300.00
Fees.....	88,835.96
Insurance Billing.....	134,349.12
Miscellaneous	3,429.74
Local Cures Fund.....	102,617.12

Total Revenue **\$1,713,019.23**



Expenditures

Salaries	\$818,788.21
Fringe Benefits	211,390.18
Travel / Training	9,640.71
Contractual.....	67,562.24
Commodities	75,735.49
Vaccine	98,972.00
Fees	29,141.79
Contingencies.....	91,212.02
Equipment.....	36,856.40

Total Expenditures **\$1,439,299.04**

Balance

Cash Balance as of December 1, 2021 **\$934,955.53**

Cash Balance as of November 30, 2022 **\$1,208,675.72**



Environmental Health

By: *Melissa Mallow
Administrator*

The goal of the Marion County Health Department is the prevention of the occurrence of infectious diseases in Marion County. To protect the people within the county from and transmitting infectious diseases, the Division of Environmental Health performs a comprehensive food protection program and several environmental programs.

The Division of Environmental Health permits and performs inspections on all permanent, mobile, and temporary food service establishments in Marion County. It is the purpose and intent of these inspections and regulations to promote safe food handling practices and to prevent the outbreak of foodborne illness. Our primary goal is to assist the operator in preventing any foodborne illness through education and inspections. At these inspections, the Environmental Health Division is checking various food temperatures, proper personal hygiene, and proper sanitation techniques.

Many citizens of Marion County rely on private water wells for their water supply. To protect these citizens from contracting or transmitting waterborne diseases, the Division of Environmental Health, upon request, collects and submits private water well samples to a state lab for both bacterial and chemical analysis. Procedures and literature for treating or correcting any deficiencies of an existing water well are supplied to the owner when an unsatisfactory analysis is received.

The private sewage program is performed in accordance with the Illinois Department of Public Health's Private Sewage Disposal Licensing Act and Code to prevent the transmission of disease-causing organisms, environmental contamination and nuisances resulting from improper handling, storage, transportation, and disposal from private sewage systems. Any new or renovated system must be installed by an Illinois licensed private sewage contractor or the homeowner and permitted through the Marion County Health Department.

The Division of Environmental Health performs annual inspections at each tanning facility in Marion County. At each inspection, the health department will check customer records and each tanning bed to ensure the public's safety. In Illinois, no one under 18 years old is allowed to use a tanning bed.

The Division of Environmental Health performs annual inspections at each body art facility in Marion County. Body art is body piercing and tattoos. The purpose of the program is to provide a safe blood supply. In Illinois, no one under 18 years old may receive a tattoo.

Each June, July and August, the Environmental Health Division will set gravid traps for the Vector Surveillance program. The gravid traps will collect Culex mosquitoes, which are the primary vector of West Nile virus. Once the Culex mosquitoes have been collected, the environmental health division will test them for West Nile Virus.

Food Sanitation

Routine Inspections	205
Complaint Inspections	22
Follow-Up Inspections	49
Temporary Food Inspections.....	30
Pre-Operational Inspections	14
Permits Issued	261

Private Sewage

Routine Inspections	87
Complaint Inspections	1
Realty Inspections.....	4
Permits Issued	81

Private Water

New and Existing Well Inspections.....	2
----------------------------------------	---

Tanning

Routine Inspections	4
---------------------------	---

Body Art

Routine Inspections	3
---------------------------	---

Administration and Staff of the Marion County Health Department

