

2019 ANNUAL REPORT
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Executive Letter

To The Citizens of St. Clair County:

On behalf of the St. Clair County Board of Health and Health Department staff, we are pleased to submit the 2019 Annual Report to County Board Chairman Mark Kern, members of the St. Clair County Board, the Illinois Department of Public Health, our community partners and residents of St. Clair County.

In 2019, the Health Department did many things to promote public health including:

Immunizations and Infection Control

- Provided over 3,000 childhood immunizations in our clinic
- Enhanced education for immunizations throughout the lifespan
- Promoted legislation to enhance immunization requirements
- Provided 361 immunizations for county employees
- Conducted over 4300 personal client contacts to prevent the spread of infectious disease

Education

- Provided education to individuals and families on healthy eating and active living
- Screened clients for behavioral health and safety concerns
- Conducted public presentations to promote disease prevention
- Supported trainings and conferences to enhance workforce development
- Expanded our Social Media presence on Facebook and Twitter

Inspections

- Conducted over 11,000 food inspections/consultations to ensure a safe food supply
- Routinely inspected landfills, compost sites and premises for the proper disposal of solid waste
- Ensured proper installation of water wells and private sewage systems
- Investigated complaints regarding environmental violations

Administration

- Managed resources for over 30 grant-funded programs (80% of revenue)
- Successfully completed fiscal and program audits with IDPH and DHS
- Reapplied for 5-year recertification for PHAB accreditation
- Enhanced client services to better address HIPAA protection
- Supported the Healthier Together Initiative to address priority health issues

As we move into 2020, many challenges face public health, including the opioid crisis, mandated minimum wage legislation, increased incidence of sexually transmitted diseases, proper disposal of electronic and household hazardous waste, along with other emerging public health issues. We will continue to collaborate with our local, regional and state partners to promote public health throughout the lifespan.

This report is a summary of all the programs and services provided by the Health Department. We are pleased to be available to serve you and work with our community partners.

Sincerely,



Kelly Wood, MD, MSPH
President, Board of Health



Barbara A. Hohlt, BS, LEHP
Executive Director

Executive Summary

MISSION

Our mission is to **prevent** disease, **promote** healthy lifestyles and **protect** the health of the people we serve.

VISION

The St. Clair County public health system achieves health improvement through interventions that work.

VALUES

Collaboration: We value our partners and recognize both our independence and interconnectedness. As a governmental public health agency, we know that our success depends on a strong, comprehensive public health system.

Competence: We strive for excellence in all that we do. We are committed to maintaining the highest standards of performance and adhere to the principles of continuous quality improvement.

Integrity: We adhere to high ethical and professional standards in our work and relationships. We are honest in our daily interactions and value honesty in others.

Respect: We treat everyone with dignity and respect.

Responsibility: We follow through on our commitments. We hold ourselves accountable and encourage the same of our partners. We are conscientious stewards of our resources.

Equity: We advocate for public health policies and programs that promote fairness, social justice and cultural awareness.

The St. Clair County Health Department, established in 1986 by the St. Clair County Board, is charged with carrying out basic health protection and disease prevention services, as well as serving as a resource to work collaboratively with health providers, community organizations and the public. The Health Department is one of 97 certified local health departments in Illinois.

In September, 2014 the SCCHD became the first health department in the Metropolitan St. Louis and Southern Illinois area to obtain national accreditation from the Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB). The national accreditation program, supported by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, sets standards against which the nation's governmental public health departments can continuously improve the quality of their service and performance. In 2019, the St. Clair County Board of Health approved the Health Department to submit documentation for a 5 year reaccreditation from PHAB.



In Loving Memory of: Dennis Stanczyk, MD 1941-2019



Dr. Dennis J. Stanczyk was an exemplary individual who dedicated a lifetime of service to the public and achieved the highest standard and benefit for the community.

Dr. Stanczyk died May 13, 2019 at Barnes-Jewish Hospital in Saint Louis, Missouri. He grew up on the south side of Chicago where he played college football and ran track. After college he graduated from St. Louis University School of Medicine and interned at Charity Hospital in New Orleans, LA. He served in the US Navy with Mobile River Forces in Vietnam where he received a Navy Commendation Medal . He completed his urological surgery residency at SLU. In January 1976, he began private practice at Urological Associates of Belleville where he introduced new and aggressive urological procedures.

He held numerous staff and elected positions on the state and county medical societies as well as on the staff of St. Elizabeth's and Belleville Memorial Hospitals. He was elected to the Signal Hill School Board and served for 12 years. He served on the Belle Claire Soccer board for 20 years and enjoyed coaching youth soccer with this organization. He served on the SCCHD Board of Health for 6 years.

Meet the Board

The St. Clair County Board of Health provides guidance and leadership to the St. Clair County Health Department under the direction of the Honorable Mark Kern, Chairman of the County Board. Members of the Board of Health are volunteers appointed by Chairman Kern and our County Board.



Kelly Wood, MD, MSPH President

Dr. Wood is a rural family medicine physician at Sparta Community Hospital, Marissa Medical Clinic and other St. Clair County clinics.

John West, President-Elect

Mr. West is a member of the St. Clair County Board and a former member of the O'Fallon City Council. He is a Professor Emeritus of Southwestern Illinois College and a member of the Southwestern Illinois Planning Commission.



Barbara A. Thomas, Secretary

Ms. Thomas is the office administrator for Eagle's Nest of St. Clair County. Eagle's Nest is a transitional housing facility for homeless veterans.

Tracey Biermann, DC

Ms. Biermann has a private Chiropractic medical practice. She has served on the St. Louis Children's Hospital Foundation Board and served as president of the Board of Health and the Willard C. Scrivner, MD Public Health Foundation Board.



Meet The Board



Leo Dumstorff, DDS

Dr. Dumstorff received his Doctor of Dental Surgery degree from St. Louis University School of Dentistry. He practiced general Dentistry in Belleville for forty years.

William R. Kreeb, MS

Mr. Kreeb has a Master's Degree in Social Work from St. Louis University. He was the director of the Lessie Bates Neighborhood House until he retired.



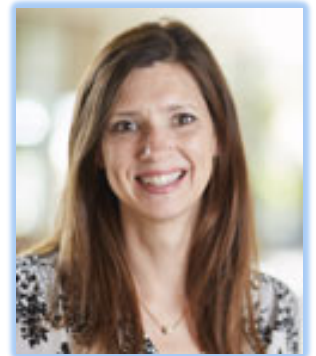
Cindy Thompson, RN, BSN

Before her retirement, Ms. Thompson worked as a nurse at Belleville West High School. She also has worked from 1995 until 2017 at Memorial Hospital and is a past-president of the Board of Health.



Julie Wittenauer, MD

Dr. Wittenauer is a family medicine physician, who graduated from University of Missouri - Columbia Medical School, and completed residency training through St. Louis University in Belleville, IL. She currently works for Mercy as a post-acute physician, caring for patients who are in short term skilled rehab and long term care.



thank you!

Our Directors

The St. Clair County Health Department consists of 4 divisions related to a variety of public health services. While these offices utilize specially trained staff and funding sources that are uniquely related to their public health objectives; they share a common goal of working together for the health of all St. Clair County residents.

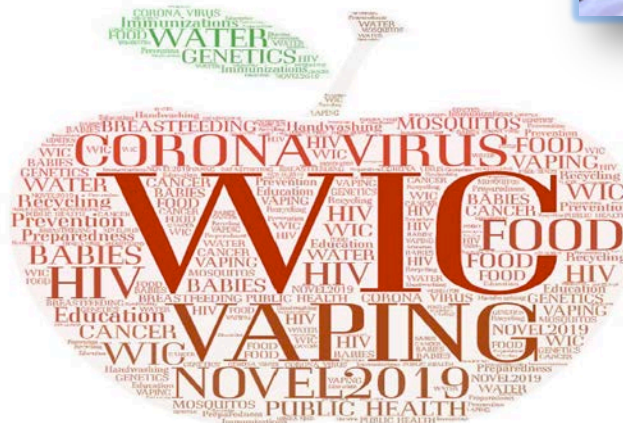
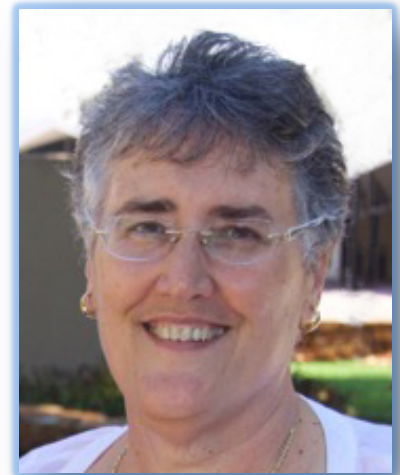


**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
BARB HOHLT, BS, LEHP**

As Executive Director of the Health Department, Ms. Hohlt's 36 years of public health experience directs the overall activities for the Health Department including the management of administrative, fiscal and personnel operations and functions within a broad framework of existing laws and policies.

ADMINISTRATION
JAN NEVOIS, BS

Ms. Nevois assumes major responsibilities for the overall planning, development, maintenance, and evaluation of departmental fiscal, personnel, information technology and building operation services.



Our Directors

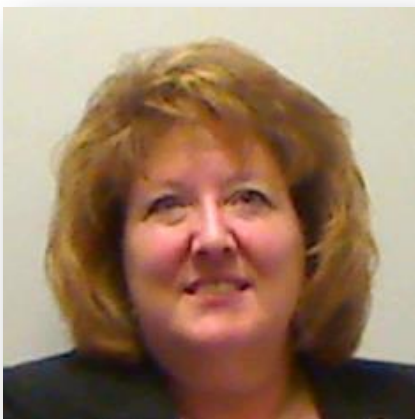


INFECTIOUS DISEASE PREVENTION MARSHA WILD, RN, MSN

Ms. Wild is responsible for overall planning, development, implementation and evaluation of the communicable disease control, infectious disease prevention and emergency preparedness.

PERSONAL HEALTH SERVICES KATHY WEISENSTEIN, RN, BSN

Ms. Weisenstein oversees the Personal Health Services Department which includes the clinic. She has direct responsibility for all of the case management programs in the personal health services division, which includes services in the clinic, home and community.



ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS SHARON VALENTINE, MBA, LEHP

Ms. Valentine's job responsibilities include planning, development, maintenance and evaluation of Environmental programs. Those programs include food sanitation, sewage disposal, potable water, vector, tanning/body art and solid waste programs.

Personal Health Services

Personal Health Services promotes the health of individuals and families with professional staff offering prevention, education, and supportive services in our clinics, in the home and in the community. Programs and services target several priority health issues in St. Clair County: 1) Chronic Diseases such as obesity, active living, healthy eating, cancer prevention, and tobacco prevention.; 2) Maternal Child Health such as Maternal and Infant Mortality, Unplanned pregnancy, and vaccine-preventable disease; 3) Behavioral Health & Safety such as perinatal depression, suicide and substance abuse; 4) Violence Prevention such as domestic violence and safety in the home.

Clinical services provide preventive health assessments, screenings and services for families across a lifespan to promote health living, prevent disease and improve access to healthcare.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Services were **offered day and evening, on and off-site.**
- Administered 3,051 **Immunizations.**
- Screened 634 children for **Lead** exposure.
- Screened 373 pregnant women for **Lead Exposure.**
- Screened 1,927 infants and children for **Physical, Social and Emotional Development.**
- Screened 1,141 women for **Postpartum Depression.**
- Screened 525 for **Genetic** risk factors.
- Assisted 196 families with applications for **Health Insurance, SNAP or TANF.**

IN OUR COMMUNITY

- The Greater St. Clair County Immunization Coalition (GSCCIC) continues to promote immunizations across a lifetime with educational messages at Metro-Link stations and buses throughout the county, and at community events.
- GSCCIC brings together community partners quarterly to increase immunization rates through collaboration, promotion and education.



Personal Health Services

WOMEN INFANT AND CHILDREN NUTRITION SERVICES (WIC)

Starting early to promote a health pregnancy and/or baby, the WIC program provides nutrition assessment, education and food vouchers to encourage healthy eating and active living with the goal of preventing obesity and reducing the use of tobacco products.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Served an assigned caseload of 1,754 **pregnant women, infants and children.**
- Issued 18,052 **food instruments.**
- Provided peer counselor contacts and support services to 1780 **women who are breastfeeding.**
- Provided **Farmer's Market vouchers** for fresh fruits and vegetables.

NEW

Through collaboration with the University of Illinois Extension and SNAP-Ed programs, the St. Clair County Health Department was a recipient of the Growing Illinois Food Access Allocations grant. Through this grant the St Clair County Health Department was able to foster gardens that produced a variety of lettuces, bush beans, bell peppers, herbs, tomatoes, zucchini, squash and potatoes. We were able to donate 172.5 lbs of produce to the Salvation Army and approximately 50 lbs of produce was given away to clients and used in our food demonstrations. Through this collaboration/grant over 80 hours of volunteer time was spent in the community.



SCCHD Garden



In Collaboration



Cooking Demonstrations

The St. Clair County Health Department was approved for a mini-grant through the Southern Illinois Healthy Children Task Force to use funds to help promote healthy eating and promote the Farmers Market program among our WIC clients. With this mini grant we purchased fruit and vegetable shaped reusable grocery bags as incentives and promotion of the Farmer's Market program. Clients were able to take these bags to the Farmers Markets to gather and transport produce when redeeming their Farmers Market vouchers. We also utilized this mini-grant to purchase food to use with recipes we created to promote healthy eating. A few of the recipes we have done include "Tortilla Soup with a Twist," "Apple Pie Applesauce," and "Corn and Zucchini Quesadillas." All of our recipes/food demonstrations featured items/produce that could be found and purchased at the Farmers Markets.

Personal Health Services

COMMUNITY MATERNAL CHILD HEALTH SERVICES

Our goal is to decrease infant mortality, teen pregnancy and adverse outcomes from perinatal depression, substance abuse and domestic violence. Our registered nurses provide in-home health assessments, education and community referrals.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- **Maternal/Child Case Management Programs** provided 15,806 services to new families including visits in the homes of high-risk infants and care coordination for children placed in foster care.
- **Better Birth Outcomes** provided education, support and referrals for 129 pregnant women at high risk for pre-term birth

IN OUR COMMUNITY

Collaborated with Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital and SIDS of Illinois to offer Infant and Child safety classes, safe sleep environments and car seat safety events on-site. SCCHD staff also participate in the Healthier Together Maternal-Child Health work group, whose goal is to reduce sudden infant death.



Personal Health Services

COMMUNITY WOMEN'S HEALTH

The Illinois Breast & Cervical Cancer Program (IBBCP) provides education, case management and specific screening and diagnostic services for women who meet program guidelines as a means to improve community health status associated with the incidence and mortality linked to breast and cervical cancers. New this year are additional screenings tools for calculating a woman's lifetime risk of developing breast or cervical cancer. Our service area includes 10 counties.

Through our Outreach & Prevention Programs:

- 486 women received **breast and cervical cancer screening** and diagnostic services including 391 screening services and 232 diagnostic services.
- 10 women received a **diagnosis of cancer** while enrolled in BCCP, and Medicaid coverage was applied for these women through the Treatment Act. An additional 15 women were diagnosed with breast cancer outside of the BCCP program, but BCCP staff were also able to get Medicaid coverage for them through the Referral to Treatment Act.



IBCCP Community Navigator Dee Rueter at the Urban Expo at the St. Louis Convention Center.



SUCCESS

The St. Clair County Health Department IBCCP lead agency continues to participate in a pilot program for Community Navigation. This program allowed us to hire a Community Navigator who is conducting research-based outreach in each of the 10 counties that we serve. Due to her efforts caseload continues to increase.

Congratulations Kathy and Jakala on your significant achievement in the fight against colorectal cancer



Personal Health Services

PERSONAL HEALTH STAFF

Kathryn Weisenstein, RN, BSN, Director of Personal Health

Keondra Walker, RN, MSN, Nursing Manager-Clinical Services

Margaret Winkler, RN, BSN, IBCLC, Nursing Manager – Health Systems & Services

Robin Hannon, RN, MSN, Administrative Assistant

COMMUNITY AND CLINICAL SERVICES

Cathy Stein, RN, BSN, Public Health Nurse

Deanna Reuter, Community Navigation Coordinator

Karoline Stock, RN, BSN, Nursing Coordinator

Renee Korves, BS, Health Systems Coordinator

Susan Gruenert, RN, Staff Nurse

Deborah Northway, RN, BSN, Public Health Nurse

Donna Sandman, RN, BSN, Public Health Nurse

Renee Gomric, RN, Staff Nurse

Tara Ojeda, RN, Staff Nurse

Melanie Fierge, RN, BSN, Public Health Nurse

Michelle Lang, RN, BSN, Public Health Nurse

Margaret Coats, BS, Case Manager

Laurie McCoy, Client Services Representative

Yolanda Adams, Client Services Representative

Rebecca Bennett, IBCLC, Medical Services Representative

Erin Grider-Way, Breastfeeding Peer Counselor

Debra Steinhauer, Medical Services Representative

Lisa Grau, Division Services Representative

Janel Parker, RN, BSN, Public Health Nurse

Karen Thurig, RN, Staff Nurse

Andrea Mueller, Part-Time Case Manager

Personal Health Services

ANNUAL ACTIVITY REPORT		
PERSONAL HEALTH	2019	2018
<u>HEALTHY KIDS SERVICES</u>		
Immunizations	3051	2408
Developmental Screenings	1,927	1702
Edinburgh Perinatal Depression Screenings	1,141	1869
Lead Testing - Children	634	742
Lead Testing - Prenatal	373	375
Well Child Screening	186	26
<u>HEALTHY HOMES LEAD FOLLOW-UP PROG</u>		
Home Visits	15	0
New Enrollments	45	37
Prevention Education	159	60
<u>GENETICS PROGRAM</u>		
Screenings	525	339
<u>CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES</u>		
Family Case Management New Enrollments	992	1788
Intensive Prenatal New Enrollments	160	129
Services Provided	12953	13386
<u>HEALTH INSURANCE APPLICATIONS*</u>		
Healthy Start (MPE) Prenatal	17	21
Add a Baby	99	114
All Kids	38	21
Add a Family Member	7	4
SNAP (Food Assistance)	19	25
TANF (Cash Assistance)	6	13
<u>WOMEN, INFANTS & CHILDREN</u>		
<u>NUTRITION PROGRAM - (WIC)</u>		
Assigned Caseload	1754	1752
Clients Picking Up Food Instruments	18052	17120
Clients Certified	2477	2521
Nutrition Education Attendance	2646	2613

Personal Health Services

ANNUAL ACTIVITY REPORT		
<u>BREASTFEEDING PEER COUNSELOR PRGM</u>	2019	2018
Client Contacts	1,780	2047
New Enrollments	291	217
<u>VACCINE FOR CHILDREN PROVIDER COMPLIANCE PROJECT</u>		
Provider Phone Contacts	19	65
Meetings Attended	2	5
Educational Programs	1	4
VFC Compliance Storage/Handling & New Enrollment Provider Site Visits	9	15
<u>COMMUNITY OUTREACH</u>		
Health Fairs	40	24
Total Attendance	2638	7982
Presentations	51	25
Total Attendance	1626	568
Meetings/Conferences/Workshops	96	42
Face to Face Visits	2546	840
Phone Contacts		20
Other Outreach Contacts	47	275
<u>BREAST & CERVICAL CANCER PROGRAM (BCCP)</u>		
Enrollments	486	475
Clinically Navigated Insured	25	12
Clients with High Deductible	9	11
Younger Symptomatic Referrals	22	12
Referrals/Treatment Act	23	16
Cancer within BCCP	10	6
Cancer outside BCCP	15	12

Environmental Programs



The Environmental Programs staff plays a critical role in safeguarding a clean environment and protecting public health. From safe well water and air to solid waste management and the Vector Control program, our environmental team is an integral part of keeping St. Clair County communities safe and healthy. Our team is trained to the highest environmental standards. Our staff keeps informed of the latest rules and regulations by attending training sessions, webinars and maintaining licensures and certifications. Our website and social media pages provide information concerning food recalls, West Nile Virus, ticks, summer heat, flooding and recycling. Over the years, we have made exceptional progress in protecting our environment. Today we face challenges like climate change, ground water protection and clean energy. We are committed to face these challenges by working with federal, state and local agencies, environmental partners and community partners.

Our Programs

Food Service Sanitation
Private Sewage Disposal
Nuisance
Smoke Free Illinois
Recycling & Pollution Prevention
Compost Facilities

Private Water Supplies
Tanning Facilities
Vector Control
Tattoo & Body Art
Landfills & Open Dumps

Environmental Programs



The Food Sanitation program protects public health by conducting inspections of restaurants, grocery stores and other food service facilities comply with the St. Clair County Retail Food Establishment Code. The code ensures safe food handling, preparation and service through inspections and education.

In 2019, our staff conducted **2,448** inspections of food service facilities, with an additional **7,883** consultations, including numerous food recall notifications. All reports of possible foodborne illnesses are investigated with assistance from the Infectious Disease staff. The Health Department also reviewed **261** food recall notifications. Of those, **132** notifications had direct impact in our area.

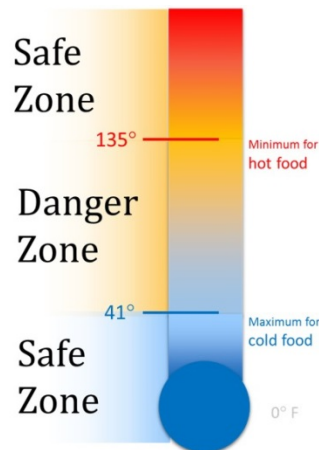
FOOD SAFETY AT HOME

Food safety isn't just for restaurants, it is an important part of handling, preparing and storing your at home. Foodborne illnesses are caused by eating food that has been contaminated with germs or toxic substances. Some common foodborne illnesses include Norovirus, Salmonella and Staphylococcus (Staph). **To keep food safe:**



WASH YOUR HANDS

The single most effective way to reduce the spread of infection. Wash hands after every possible contamination.



MAINTAIN SAFE FOOD TEMPERATURES



AVOID CROSS CONTAMINATION

Keep food storage/preparation areas clean. Separate raw foods from ready-to-eat foods.

Environmental Programs

To assure safe drinking water and proper on-site disposal of sewage, the Environmental Programs staff provides consultations, monitoring and testing of private water supplies and private sewage disposal systems.



ABANDONED WELLS

Each year, many private water wells are abandoned when new homes are built or when homes are connected to community water systems. When an abandoned well is left open, there is a risk that someone could fall in and/or ground water may become contaminated. To prevent such accidents, all abandoned wells must be properly sealed.

PRIVATE WELLS

Some residents of St. Clair County receive their drinking water from a private well. In Illinois, an estimated 400,000 private water wells provide drinking water to residents. The staff in Environmental Programs provides consulting and testing of private water supplies.



PRIVATE SEWAGE DISPOSAL

The Private Sewage Disposal Program regulates methods of sewage disposal from facilities and homes that are not served by public sewer systems. By ensuring that all sewage is discharged to a properly designed and operated waste facility, the Private Sewage Disposal Program helps eliminate transmission of disease, disease organisms and nuisances.

Environmental Programs

IN PARTNERSHIP



Numerous recycling programs continued to provide easy-access services to schools and county residents. Those services include the Used Medication Free Drop off Program at the St. Clair County Sheriff's Department, which collected more than 530 lbs., Christmas tree recycling and paper recycling.



SMOKING IS AIR POLLUTION!

To help protect the air we breath, the Environmental Staff enforces the Smoke-free Illinois Act. In 2019, our staff investigated 6 complaints and issued no Smoke-free Illinois citations.

With the increase of severe respiratory illness from the use of e-cigarettes and vaping equipment, we began a program to work with students, teachers and parent groups to provide information and education about the ingredients in the vaping products and the dangers associated with vaping.

OTHER ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Two staff participated as members of the Southern Illinois Groundwater Protection Planning Committee, an Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) appointed group charged with developing groundwater protection partnerships and programs in Madison, Monroe, Randolph and St. Clair Counties.

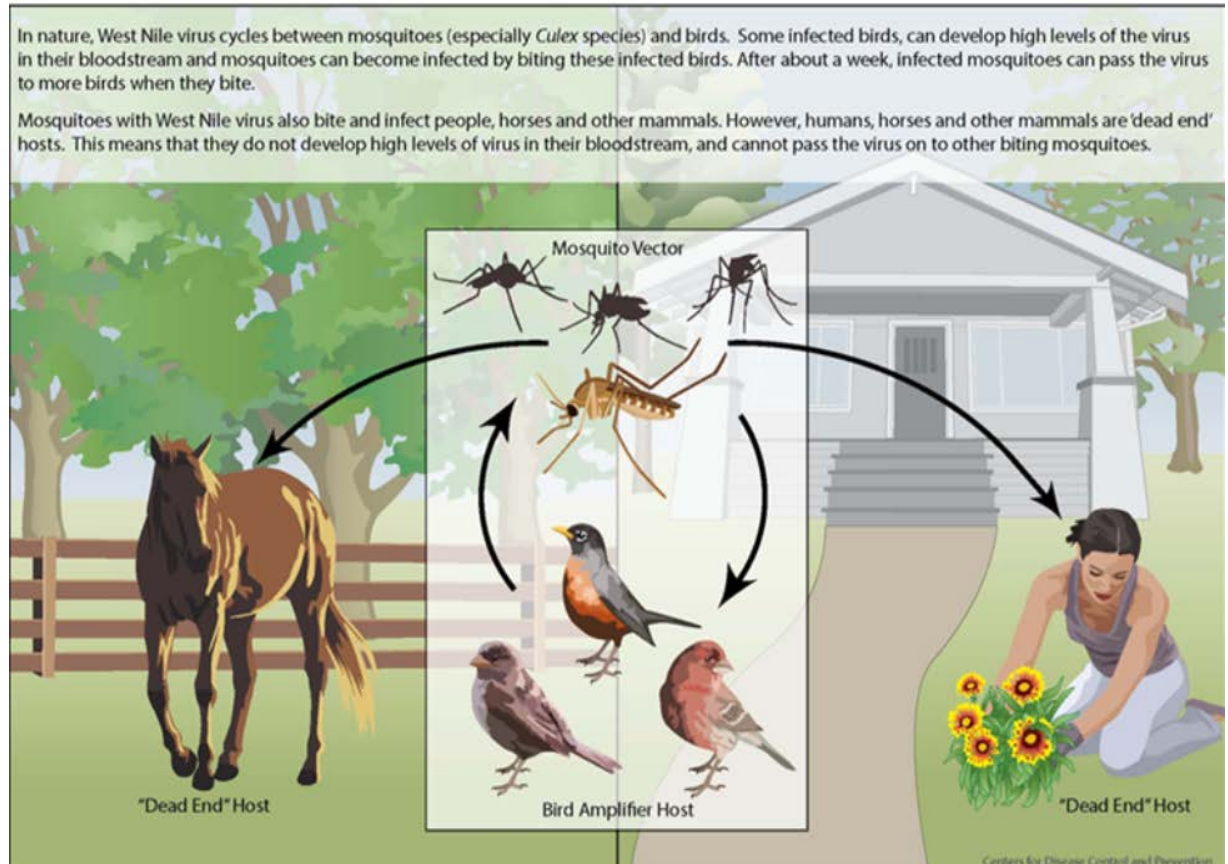
In 2019, the St. Clair County Health Department began using the 2017 FDA Food Code as the base for the Food Service Sanitation Inspections.

The Health Department is working on implementation of field tablets to improve legibility and uniformity of food inspections, as well as standardize violation commentary. 2020 will see the roll-out of these tablets.



Environmental Programs

West Nile Virus Transmission Cycle



West Nile Virus Prevention/Precautions

The best way to prevent West Nile Virus or any other mosquito-borne illness is to reduce the number of mosquitoes around your home and to take personal precautions to avoid mosquito bites. Precautions include practicing the three "R's" – reduce, repel and report.

❖ **REDUCE** exposure:

Avoid being outdoors when mosquitoes are most active, especially between dusk and dawn.

❖ **REPEL:**

When outdoors, wear shoes and socks, long pants and a long-sleeved shirt, and apply insect repellent that contains DEET, picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus or IR 3535, according to label instructions. Consult a physician before using repellents on infants.

❖ **REPORT:**

In communities where there are organized mosquito control programs, contact your municipal government to report areas of stagnant water in roadside ditches, flooded yards and similar locations that may produce mosquitoes.

Environmental Programs

VECTOR CONTROL

The Vector Control Program focuses on protecting public health through education and surveillance of mosquitos and ticks. Vectors are organisms that transmit infections from one host to another. The Environmental staff monitors certain vectors and provides training and information to agencies and citizens to prevent the spread of vector-borne diseases such as West Nile Virus (WNV), Zika Virus and Lyme's Disease.

During 2019 Mosquito season our staff:



- Tested 192 Mosquito pools for West Nile Virus. One of the pools tested positive.
- Submitted one bird for testing, which was negative for WNV. No human cases of WNV were confirmed in St. Clair County in 2019.
- Distributed \$10,000 in larvicide to area communities for mosquito control.

PRECAUTIONS

- Remove or empty water in old tires, tin cans, buckets, drums, bottles, etc.
- Clean gutters and downspouts.
- Empty plastic wading pools at least once a week. Change the water in birdbaths, plant pots or drip trays at lease once a week.
- Store boats covered or upside down and remove rainwater weekly.
- Level the ground around your home so water can run off.
- Keep weeds and grass cut short.
- Maintain aeration unit discharges to prevent stagnant water.

Mosquito Bite Prevention (United States)

Not all mosquitoes are the same. Different mosquitoes spread different viruses and bite at different times of the day.

Type of Mosquito	Viruses spread	Biting habits
 <i>Aedes aegypti</i> , <i>Aedes albopictus</i>	Chikungunya, Dengue, Zika	Daytime
 <i>Culex</i> species	West Nile	Dusk (evening) to dawn (morning)

Environmental Programs

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION PROGRAM

GOAL

The goal of this program is to protect the natural resources, assure the health of the citizens of St. Clair County (SCC) and provide environmentally safe solid waste management and disposal. As a delegate agency for the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) since 1987, Environmental Protection Staff strive to meet this goal by monitoring permitted solid waste management facilities and addressing citizen complaints dealing with improper waste-management practices such as open dumping and open burning.



Accomplishments for 2019

- **Inspections** Environmental Protection (EP) staff opened **6** new open dump cases, investigated **154** solid waste complaints/rechecks, conducted **373** solid waste consultations and **67** landfill/compost site inspections as a delegated agent of the IEPA. Routinely inspect all operating and closed landfills, including the remediated J & R and BiState Landfills.
- The **St. Clair County Sheriff's Department** addressed **36 Illegal Burn calls** and **24 illegal dumping calls**. St. Clair County Clean Sweep helped remove over 726 tons of waste from communities throughout the County as reported to the Health Department.
- Numerous **recycling programs** continued to provide easy-access services to schools and County residents including the Used Medication free drop off program at the Sheriff's Department which collected over **530 lbs.** to date; school paper recycling, which recycled over 2 million pounds of paper; and Christmas tree recycling.
- **Earth Day Awards** honoring outstanding efforts throughout the County by schools, individuals, communities and organizations was held in May 2019.
- The Health Department **website** is being enhanced to better serve the public by providing pollution prevention information including air quality, recycling outlets and links to other environmental protection resources.

Environmental Programs

The Health Department celebrates Earth Day by recognizing local businesses, schools, organizations and residents who participate in the St. Clair County Plan to **REDUCE, REUSE AND Recycle**. The County maintains a 25% recycling rate, which is equivalent to the state average of 25



2019 AWARD WINNERS ENVIRONMENTAL EXCELLENCE AWARDS

High Mount School District 116
Total Organics Recycling

SCHOOL PAPER RECYCLING

Pounds Per Capita

St. Joseph Catholic School	620.0 pounds
St. John the Baptist	463.6 pounds
St. Mary St. Augustine	344.4 pounds
Grant Middle School	332.8 pounds
St. James Millstadt	325.9 pounds
St. Clair Catholic School	306..8 pounds

Total Pounds

St. Clair Catholic School	152,190 pounds
Grant Middle School	78,864 pounds
Freeburg Grade School	69,018 pounds
Wolf Branch Elementary School	56,100 pounds
Zion Lutheran School	50,730 pounds
Holy Childhood School	50,480 pounds

Environmental Programs

ANNUAL ACTIVITY REPORT		
ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS	2019	2018
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH		
FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM		
Routine Inspection	2,427	2,498
Reinspection	259	291
Opening Inspections	56	90
Food Recall Notifications	299	286
Foodborne Illness Investigations	18	16
Complaint Investigations	194	241
In-services	14	8
# of Participants	536	360
Consultations/Plan Reviews/Fires/Disasters	7,883	18,489
LIQUOR INSPECTION PROGRAM		
Routine Inspection	103	347
NUISANCE/VECTOR/TANNING		
Complaint Investigations & Rechecks	9	23
Smoke Free IL Complaints	6	13
Smoke Free IL Citations	0	3
Consultations(Nuisance, Tanning, Vector, Smoking)	2,115	1684
Tanning Inspections & Rechecks	22	25
Vector Surveillance (May - October)	511	334
POTABLE WATER PROGRAM		
Well Permits Issued	27	71
Well Inspections	37	58
Analysis Reviewed	61	87
Consultations	383	582
PRIVATE SEWAGE PROGRAM		
Permits Issued	99	109
Sewage Consultations	1,125	2,687
Systems Inspected	94	105
Complaints, Investigations & Rechecks	148	158
Home Loan Inspections	3	1
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION - POLLUTION PREVENTION		
LANDFILL PROGRAM		
Landfill, Compost, Open Dump Inspections, FUIs	95	96
New Open Dump Sites Closed	14	9
Complaint Investigations, Rechecks	178	287
Consultations	304	510

Environmental Programs

ANNUAL ACTIVITY REPORT - continued		
	2019	2018
POLLUTION PREVENTION PROGRAM		
Drop-Off Recycling Sites Available	75	75
School Paper Program Participants	87	87
Workshops/Presentations	0	6
Materials Distributed	277	2457

Environmental Programs Staff

Sharon Valentine, M.B.A., L.E.H.P., Director of Environmental Programs

Environmental Health

Brian Eckert, B.S., L.E.H.P., Environmental Health Manager (1/1/19-4/18/19)

Jeffery Webster, B.S., L.E.H.P., Environmental Health Coordinator

Amanda Lotter, B.S., L.E.H.P. in Training, Sanitarian I

Betty Croissant, B.S. Sanitarian I

Jacob Phillips, B.S., L.E.H.P., Sanitarian I

Courtney Squires, B.S. Sanitarian I

Elizabeth van Uffelen, Inspector I (1/1/19-12/2/19)

Leslie Arndt, A.A.S., Secretary II

Environmental Protection

Michael Gates, B.A., Environmental Protection Coordinator

Infectious Disease Prevention Services

Preventing infectious diseases is important each and every day. We are committed to the citizens of St. Clair County to conduct surveillance of infectious diseases, control their spread and provide information regarding prevention.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2019

Infectious Diseases

- ❖ **EVALI (E-cigarette, or vaping, product use associated lung injury)** - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), state and local health departments, and other clinical and public health partners are investigating a national outbreak of e-cigarette, or vaping, product use associated lung injury (EVALI). This complex investigation spans all states, involves over 2,500 patients, and a wide variety of brands and substances and e-cigarette, or vaping, products. CDC will continue to update guidance, as appropriate, as new data becomes available from this complex outbreak.*



- ❖ **Multidrug Resistant Organisms (MDROs)** – We continue to educate the Infectious Disease staff regarding MDROs, monitor for emerging infectious diseases and provide information to healthcare providers, agencies and the general public. We also provide information and educational opportunities to various health care facilities when available. Individuals with compromised immune systems are most susceptible to developing serious health problems from multi-drug resistant organisms. Through various prevention efforts, i.e. thorough hand-washing, environmental cleaning and continued surveillance, we hope to control or eliminate the spread of multidrug resistant organisms.
- ❖ **Hepatitis A** - We continue to work with Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH), in a **proactive** campaign to reduce the incidence of Hepatitis A in high risk individuals, i.e. homeless, Intravenous Drug Users (IVDU) and Men Having Sex with Men (MSM) by providing adult Hepatitis A vaccine. In 2019, we administered 26 Adult Hepatitis A vaccinations to individuals with high risk behaviors. The Hepatitis A virus can cause inflammation and affects your liver's ability to function. It can be passed from one person to another through food, water, drug use, and sex. Cases and outbreaks of hepatitis A virus (HAV) have increased nationwide with active outbreaks occurring primarily among those high risk populations.

* Source: CDC

Infectious Disease Prevention Services

- ❖ **Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs)**– Our high Sexually Transmitted Infection rates remain a huge concern. With our HIV program and other healthcare partners, we developed an expanded media campaign in 2019, establishing #Metrointheknow website, facebook and twitter accounts. #Metrointheknow provides the general public with information about STIs, where to get tested and how to protect oneself from getting an STI.

THE LOWDOWN ON HOW TO PREVENT SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES

Practice Abstinence
The surest way to avoid STDs is to not have sex.
This means not having vaginal, anal, or oral sex.

Have Fewer Partners
Agree to only have sex with one person who agrees to only have sex with you.
Make sure you both get tested to know for sure that neither of you has an STD. This is one of the most reliable ways to avoid STDs.

Talk With Your Partner
Talk with your sex partner(s) about STDs and staying safe before having sex.
Why take a chance when we can know for sure?
Let's both get tested together!
It might be uncomfortable to start the conversation, but protecting your health is your responsibility.

Use Condoms
Using a condom correctly every time you have sex can help you avoid STDs.
Condoms lower the risk of infection for all STDs. You will not get certain STDs, like herpes or HPV, from contact with your partner's body even when using a condom.

Get Vaccinated
The most common STD can be prevented by a vaccine.
The HPV vaccine is safe, effective, and can help you avoid HPV-related health problems like genital warts and some cancers.
Who should get the HPV vaccine?
Booster vaccination for boys & girls ages 11 to 12.
Catch-up vaccination for:
- Men and women ages 13 to 26 who have not been vaccinated.
- Men and women ages 27 to 45 who have not been vaccinated and whose healthcare provider recommends it.

Get Tested
Many STDs don't have symptoms, but they can still cause health problems.
The only way to know for sure if you have an STD is to get tested.

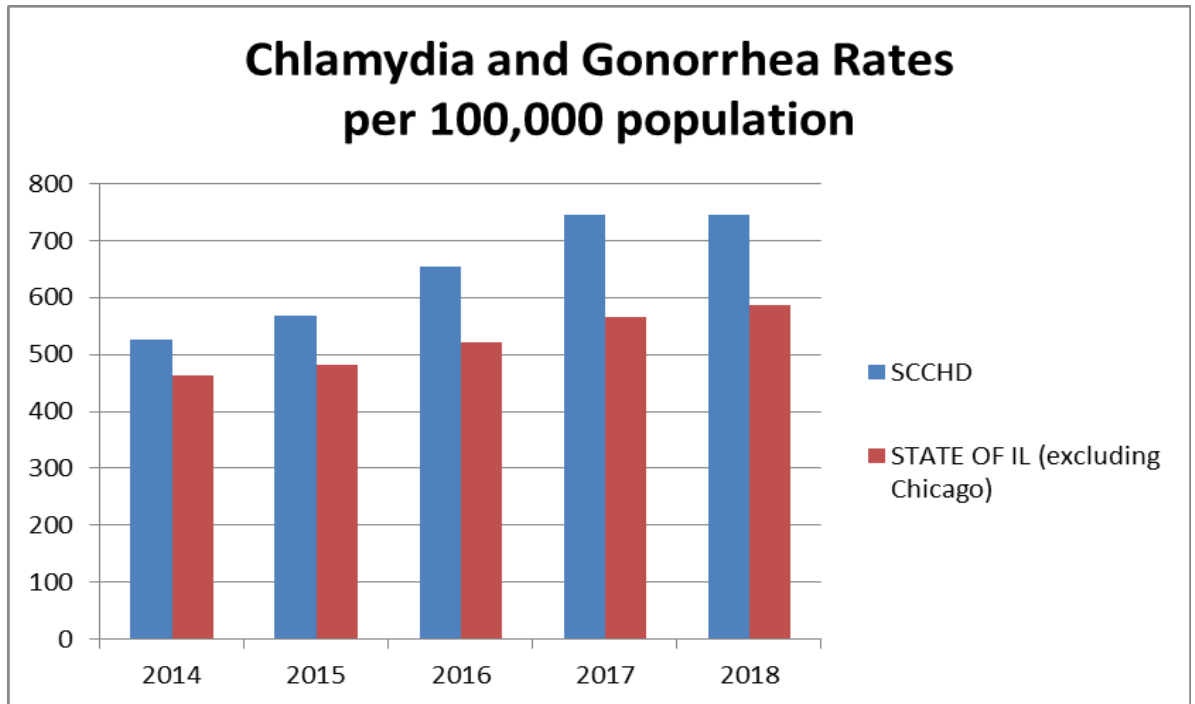
The Good News
STIs are preventable. There are steps you can take to keep yourself and your partner(s) healthy.
Here's How You Can Avoid Giving or Getting an STD:

If You Test Positive...
Getting an STD is not the end.
Many STDs are curable and all are treatable.
Follow your sex partner's advice with an STD that can be cured, both of you need to start treatment immediately to avoid getting re-infected.

View Infographic Online at: www.cdc.gov/std/prevention/lowdown/

Infectious Disease Prevention Services

Our staff educates regarding STI/HIV prevention and conducts contact follow-up. We continue to work closely with the HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus) program to provide the best comprehensive treatment and care for our clients.



Infectious Disease Prevention Services

Southwestern



2019 Review of Services for Persons Living with HIV/AIDS (PLWHA)

- 687 PLWHA were enrolled in Medical Case Management within the 12 County service area or what is commonly referred to as Region 4.
- 428 clients received assistance with food pantry, hygiene items, nutritional supplements and/or dietician services.
- 360 clients received assistance with transportation to HIV related medical and supportive services.
- 139 clients received assistance with therapeutic and preventative oral health care.
- 37 clients received assistance with utility payments while received assistance with rent/mortgage payments.
- 93% of PLWHA enrolled in Medical Case Management Services were effectively linked to the appropriate medical benefits and/or insurance home with 82 clients receiving assistance with out of pocket costs associated with HIV related medical care and mental health services. Removing the “cost barrier” associated with medical care correlates increased medical care compliance, improved treatment adherence, and as a result—increased rates of viral suppression. When virally suppressed a person is considered undetectable. 85% of clients enrolled in Medical Case Management in 2019 were undetectable.



A person living with HIV is considered 'undetectable' (virally suppressed) when HIV treatment brings levels of HIV in the body to such low levels that tests cannot detect it.

As long as treatment is adhered to and viral load remains undetectable (and monitored), they cannot transmit HIV to others and their health is not affected by HIV.

Infectious Disease Prevention Services

#Metro in the Know



St. Clair County Health Department, in collaboration with SIHF Healthcare and the Madison County Health Department, launched a social media marketing campaign titled “#Metro In The Know”. The campaign is designed to reduce HIV stigma, encourage HIV/STI testing, encourage risk/harm reduction, and link persons living with HIV/AIDS to HIV treatment and supportive services. The following website was created:

<https://metrointheknow.com> to link individuals to HIV care and prevention services within the 12 county service area. In 2019 HIV/STI prevention messages were advertised on a billboard, within movie theatres, the Metro Link stations and trains, and on various social media accounts.

In 2019, the St. Clair County Health Department HIV Prevention Program provided 72 HIV tests for individuals at risk for acquiring HIV. 3 individuals were identified as HIV positive and effectively linked to HIV care and supportive services. 73 clients received surveillance based services, which are designed to ensure individuals who have tested HIV positive are aware of their HIV status and linked to medical care and treatment.

HIV Program Goals for 2020

- To increase the number of clients enrolled in the program who are linked to the appropriate medical benefits/insurance home from 93% to 95%
- To increase the number of clients enrolled in the program who are HIV virally suppressed from 85% to 88%
- To increase the number of clients enrolled in program who are retained in HIV medical care from 91% to 95%
- To hire an HIV Peer Outreach Worker to provide HIV Prevention Services for individuals most at risk for acquiring HIV
- To explore the possibility of expanding HIV prevention services to include on- site access to Pre Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP).



Infectious Disease Prevention Services

Emergency Preparedness and Response

- In September 2019, thirteen cars derailed in Union Pacific's Dupo rail yard. At the time of the derailment, a train was being built for departure. As a result of the derailment, a tank car caught fire. Initial information indicated that the tank car contained a flammable liquid called methyl isobutyl ketone, which is typically used as a solvent. St. Clair County Health Department's Emergency Response Coordinator was on scene with the St. Clair County Emergency Management Agency, Illinois Emergency Management Agency and the Environmental Protection Agency.



- Our Public Health Emergency Response Coordinator and our Medical Reserve Corps Coordinator continued to provide AED/CPR, First Aid training to over 100 St. Clair County employees in 2019. In addition, 42 Automated Electronic Defibrillators (AEDs) throughout county buildings were monitored to have up-to-date equipment and are functioning properly.



Infectious Disease Prevention Services

- In October 2019, St. Clair County Health Department exercised as part of the City Readiness Initiative (CRI) both closed and open points of dispensing for a 50 day extended medication plan, which involved 12 counties from Illinois and Missouri.



- With funding through HOPE Coalition, we purchased a UTV (Utility Vehicle) for training and emergency purposes and were happy to allow the National Guard to use this vehicle while they were deployed in St. Clair County patrolling the levees during the Spring Flood of 2019.



Infectious Disease Prevention Services

INFECTIOUS DISEASE PREVENTION	2019	2018
<u>COMMUNICABLE DISEASE CASES</u>		
Chlamydia	993	932
E-Coli	6	8
Gonorrhea	385	320
Group A Streptococcal (Invasive)	6	16
Hepatitis A	2	0
Hepatitis B	26	39
Hepatitis C	139	162
HIV+	23	10
Influenza (voluntarily reportable)	17	718
Flu-like Symptoms (Specific) (voluntarily reportable)	17	317
Meningitis (Bacterial)	0	0
MRSA (voluntarily reportable)	0	2
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)	8	8
Salmonella	32	21
Strep Pneumonia (under age 5 years)	0	0
Syphilis	46	65
<u>TB CONTROL/TESTING</u>		
Field Visits (Directly Observed Therapy)	645	249
Client Contacts (Directly Observed Therapy)	645	249
Video Observed Therapy	143	36
Client Served under Video Observed Therapy	3	2
Clients Served (by Physician)	17	26
Client Contacts (Clinic)	1,369	1,423
Chest X-Ray	52	46
Immigration Work-Up	2	2
Skin Tests	628	649
Positive Skin Tests	72	53
MTB Cases*	7	2
Suspects	3	2
* August reflects YTD correction		
<u>HIV/AIDS CARE REGION</u>		
New to Medical Case Management	54	128
Total Caseload	602	604
<u>HIV PREVENTION - REGION</u>		
HIV Tests Completed Total	91	97
HIV Tests Completed at SCCHD	73	67
New Positive Cases Identified	4	1
# Cases Linked to HIV Medical Care	2	0

Infectious Disease Prevention Services

INFECTIOUS DISEASE PREVENTION (cont.)	2019	2018
<u>HIV Disease Interv. Serv. - REGION</u>		
New Cases Opened	73	151
Individuals Notified	6	16
Linked to Medical Care	10	11
Already in care (May reflects to-date number)	23	39
<u>EMPLOYEE HEALTH SERVICE</u>		
Employee Health Assessments	7	1
Influenza	301	355
OSHA/Blood-borne Training	62	68
Pneumonia	4	11
Tdap	4	10
Vaccine Preventable Vaccinations	24	45
Zostavax	N/A	42
Shingrix	28	N/A
Off-site	4	4
Office	204	153
Phone	7,702	6,793
OOJ - Out of Jurisdiction	161	194
Documentation Sent - Physicians/ Medical Service Providers	2,216	1,543
<u>EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS</u>		
Public Outreach/Presentations	9	24
External Conferences/Workshops	20	25
Partnership Meetings	60	91
Materials Distributed	2,970	1,900
Internal Training/Project Activities	4	22
St. Clair County Personnel Trained	218	26
Health Department Personnel Trained	8	127
Incident/Assistance	0	0
<u>MRC (MEDICAL RESERVE CORPS)</u>		
Public Outreach/Presentations	6	10
External Conferences/Workshops	7	26
Partnership Meetings	8	15
Materials Distributed	226	505
Internal Training/Project Activities	4	21
Number of Personnel Trained	1	3
Incident/Assistance	0	0

Infectious Disease Prevention Services

Infectious Disease Prevention Staff

Marsha Wild, R.N., M.S.N., Director of Infectious Disease Prevention

Emergency Preparedness & Response

Samantha Bierman, M.S. Ed., Emergency Response Coordinator

Katie Koetting, B.S., Medical Reserve Corps Coordinator, Part-time

Amy Baxter, B.S., Medical Reserve Corps Coordinator, Part-time (10/3/19-12/11/19)

Infectious Disease Program

Carmoleta Youck, R.N. B.S.N., Public Health Nurse

Mary Glennon, R.N., B.S.N., Public Health Nurse

Ribbian Thomas, M.P.A., Case Manager (1/1/19-7/26/19)

Linda Hickey, Secretary

HIV Care and Prevention Team

Susan Rehrig, B.S., M.B.A., HIV Program Manager

Wendy Bradley, B.A., HIV Program Coordinator

Gary Gasawski, B.S., HIV Benefits Coordinator

Jennifer Belfield, B.S.W., HIV Retention Coordinator

Iasia Lesniak, B.S., Medical Case Manager

Shannon Melton, B.S., HIV Prevention and Retention Coordinator

Patricia Carlton, Medical Services Representative

Tawana Howard, Peer Navigator

Karlee Albrecht, B.S., Medical Case Manager

Brittany Schmidtke, B.S., Medical Case Manager



Administration

2019 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Established electronic client sign-in process in the clinic to better address Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) concerns and streamline the intake process for clients using maternal-child, HIV and Tuberculosis services.
- Successfully managed resources within over 30 grants while also successfully transferring services into other grant-funded programs for St. Clair County maternal child health clients when an approximately \$450,000 grant program ceased being offered by the Health Department in June 2019.
- Successfully completed multiple fiscal and program audits involving St. Clair County, the Illinois Department of Public Health and the Illinois Department of Human Services
- Expanded social media outreach resulting in Twitter Hits increasing from 18,715 to 36,806 and Facebook Views increasing from 17,285 to 52,616 as of end of October 2019.
- Continued to provide learning opportunities for student interns from various schools including Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville and McKendree University as well as multiple online universities.
- Applied for 5-year Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB) reaccreditation in September 2019; results to be received in spring 2020.
- Convened bi-monthly meetings with the member organizations of the St. Clair County Health Commission to support their role in the County-wide 2018-2023 Community Health Improvement Plan.
- Executive Director continued to serve on various local, regional and state committees and public health organizations to ensure St. Clair County health issues are addressed.
- Provided support as a Council of Partners member to the “25 by 2025” collective impact movement known as “Healthier Together” and may contributed a one-year investment of up to \$50,000 for this effort by year-end.
- Implemented the Health Department’s Organizational Strategic Plan (OSP) developed in 2018 to align our agency practices and mandated services with the priorities established in the 2018-2023 County-wide Community Health Improvement Plan.
- Co-sponsored the 4th annual Trivia Night with the Willard Scrivner Public Health Foundation in April and the 14th annual golf tournament in August.

ADMINISTRATION GOALS

- Implement resource reallocation and staffing plans to assure priority public health programs and services are maintained in a cost effective manner.
- Restructure organization due to the retirement of several senior directors in later 2020.
- Continue to systematically address minimum wage increases across all pay classifications to meet the State of Illinois mandated requirements.

Administration

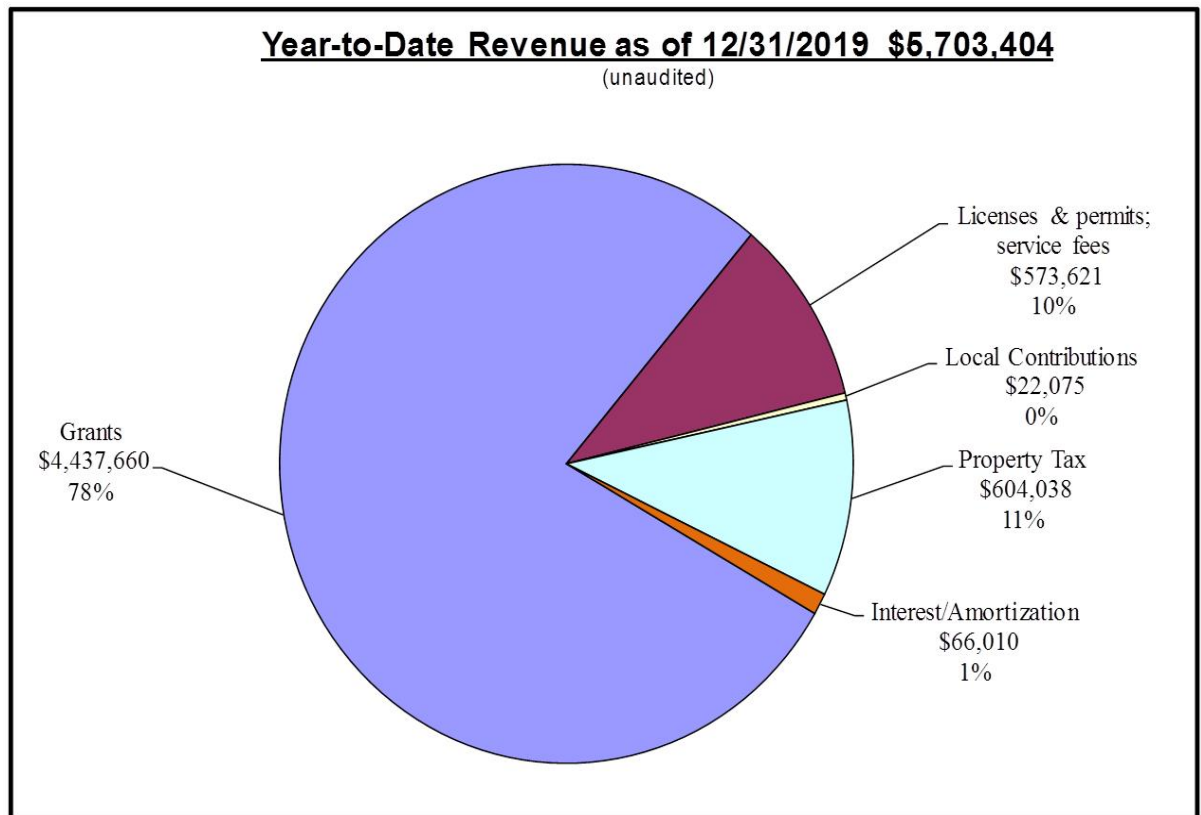
INVESTMENT IN HEALTH

The Board of Health is charged with providing the broadest possible health programs in St. Clair County with available resources. Funding is secured from local property taxes, state grants and user fees. Funds are expended for goods and services necessary for the performance of our duties.

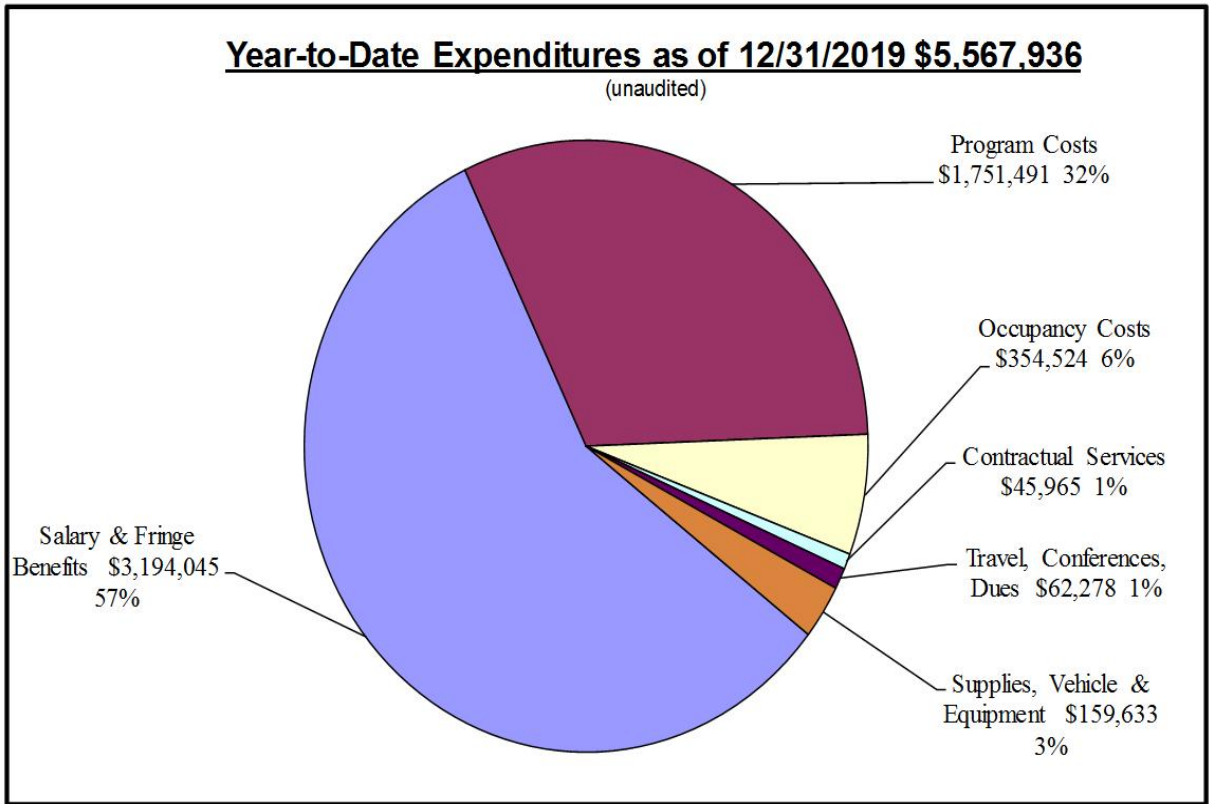
<u>REVENUE:</u>		
	GRANTS & LOCAL CONTRIBUTION	4,459,735
	LOCAL TAXES	604,038
	FEES	573,621
	INTEREST/AMORTIZATION	75,408
	TOTAL	5,712,802
<u>EXPENDITURES:</u>		
	SALARIES	2,309,180
	SUB-GRANTEE PAYMENTS	1,101,997
	HEALTH & LIFE INS, IMRF	884,865
	MEDICAL SERVICES	586,348
	OCCUPANCY	249,377
	PROGRAM COSTS	163,146
	BUILDING COSTS	83,305
	OFFICE EQUIPMENT	79,612
	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	36,974
	OFFICE SUPPLIES	35,951
	VEHICLE PURCHASE	31,462
	MILEAGE	24,313
	CONFERENCES/PROFESSIONAL DUES	24,132
	TRAVEL COSTS	13,832
	TELEPHONE/PAGING	21,842
	REPAIR/MAINTENANCE	8,991
	POSTAGE	8,797
	PRINTING	3,812
	TOTAL	5,567,936
	REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES	144,866
	BEGINNING CASH FUND BALANCE	3,390,231
	SALE OF LONG-TERM ASSET	5,900
	ENDING CASH FUND BALANCE	3,540,997
	CHANGE IN CASH FUND BALANCE	144,866

ADMINISTRATION

The goal of Administration is to ensure the Health Department carries out the functions of public health. These functions include assessing the health of the community, developing plans, resources and programs to meet the needs of the community and assuring the health goals are met through collaborative planning and public health policy development.



ADMINISTRATION



Administration Staff

Barbara A. Hohlt, BS, LEHP, Executive Director

Kevin Hutchison, RN, MS, MPH, CPHA, Administrative Consultant

Mark Peters, MS, Administrative Consultant

Robin Hannon, RN, MSN, Administrative Consultant

Kristy Mullins, BS, Systems Quality Manager

Jan Nevois, BS, Director of Administration

John Schobert, AAS, Information Technology Manager

Janet Cronin, BS, Accounting Coordinator

Wendy Dodd AAS, Accounting Coordinator

Brenda Fedak, BS, Organizational Communication Manager

Libby Henson, Administration Services Representative

Our Partners

St. Clair County Health Care Commission



Commission members serve as a nucleus of health professionals to assess community needs and collaborate on strategies for success. The Commission extends community participation beyond health professionals. The Commission consists of consumers, educators, business representatives, parent groups and community based organization representatives through other alliances and coalitions.

*Health Care Commission Appointed * & Affiliate Members 1991-2019*

- Age Smart
- Alzheimer's Association
- American Cancer Society
- American Lung Association
- Arthritis Foundation
- Asthma Coalition for the Greater St. Louis Metro East Area
- BASIC Initiative
- Call for Help
- East Side Health District*
- Gateway Region YMCA*
- Get Up & Go Inc.
- Illinois Department of Human Services
- Illinois Department of Public Health
- Illinois Public Health Institute
- Illinois Public Health Assoc. –AmeriCorp Program
- Lindenwood University*
- LINC, Inc.
- March of Dimes
- McKendree University
- Memorial Hospital Network*
- MidAmerica Public Health Training Center
- Programs & Services for Older People
- Regional Office of Education*
- Scott Air Force Base*
- St. Clair County Health Department*
- St. Clair County Housing Authority
- St. Clair County Medical Society*
- St. Clair County Mental Health Board*
- St. Clair County Office on Aging*
- St. Clair County Transit District
- St. Clair County Youth Coalition
- St. Elizabeth's Hospital*
- Southwest Illinois College
- Southern IL Health Care Foundation*
- Southwest Illinois HIV/AIDS Coalition
- Touchette Regional Hospital*
- University of Illinois Cooperative Extension
- Violence Prevention Center
- Willard C. Scrivner, MD Public Health Foundation

Our Partners

The Public Health Foundation



The Willard C. Scrivner, MD Public Health Foundation (PHF) is a non-profit, non-partisan organization that works with the Board of Health as a public/private partnership to develop funding sources for **priority public health issues, student scholarships and employee recognition**. The Foundation is governed by a volunteer Board of Directors representing business, health professions, churches, civic organizations, education and health consumers.

2019 PHF Board of Directors

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Robert Jones, Secretary, Treasurer
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Marcia Scrivner (Family Liaison)

Legal Status: The Willard C. Scrivner M.D. Public Health Foundation is a registered (501(c) 3) organization.

For more information on how you can support the Foundation either through the fundraising events or by direct donation, please visit our website:

www.wcscrivnerfoundation.org or contact:

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Our Partners

The Public Health Foundation

The Mission of the Public Health Foundation is to increase the capacity of the St. Clair County Board of Health, St. Clair County Health Care Commission and associated agencies to promote self responsibility, healthy lifestyles, prevention of disease and improvement of public health through an organized program of assessment, policy development, planning, education, quality assurance and service demonstration.

PHF Supported Programs

- Provided both undergraduate and graduate scholarships for county students pursuing degrees in health-related fields. To date, the Public Health Foundation has provided over \$78,000 for scholarships.
- Supported programs that teach people how to make healthy food choices on a limited budget and learn good grocery shopping skills.
- Supplied trees to St. Clair County students on Earth Day.
- Provided funding and support for the annual St. Clair County Health Summit.
- Supported Employee Recognition Activities
- Supported weekly cooking demos through the summer to teach parents how to prepare healthy foods.
- Supported Breast & Cervical Cancer Program.
- Supported the High Risk Infant Follow up Program.
- Supported the Southern Illinois Health Children Task Force (SIHCTF).
- Supported the Breastfeeding Program.
- Supported the HIV Prevention & Retention Program



Employee 
Recognition

Greater St. Clair County Immunization Coalition



With the support of the Illinois Department of Public Health and the Center for Disease Control, EverThrive Illinois created several local immunization coalitions throughout the state. The St. Clair County Health Department agreed to lead an Immunization Coalition to serve St. Clair County and surrounding communities. Numerous community partners have joined together to coordinate immunization education and services.

Goal

Increase immunization coverage levels persons throughout the lifespan to reduce the incidence of vaccine preventable diseases and promote public health.

Objectives

- Foster a network of immunization providers.
- Educate health care providers on current and evolving immunization practices.
- Promote community education on benefits of immunization.

Members

Association of Childcare Physicians
East Side Health District
GlaxoSmithKline
HSHS, St. Elizabeth's Hospital
Scott Air Force Base Public Health
Southern Illinois University School of Nursing
St. Clair County Health Department

BJC Memorial Hospital
EverThrive Illinois
Generate Health, St. Louis
Pfizer
SIHF Healthcare
Touchette Regional Hospital
Walgreens Pharmacy

Purpose

- To raise immunization rates in local communities throughout St. Clair County and surrounding region.
- To convene existing partners to speak with one voice and one message.
- To create an intentional and systematic approach to addressing vaccination barriers.

2019 Employee Service Awards



The Employee Service Awards program is sponsored by the Willard C. Scrivner M.D. Public Health Foundation in recognition of the years of service an employee has worked for the Health Department. The service awards symbolize the time an employee has given to help the department accomplish our mission, realize our vision and upheld our values. Service awards are given every 5 years.

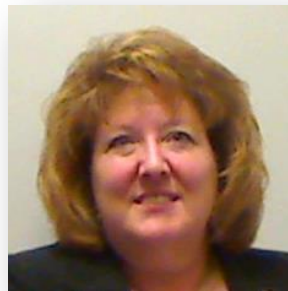
Celebrating 25 Years of Excellent Service



*Ms. Kathryn Weisenstein
Director of Personal Health Services*

Celebrating 20 Years of Excellent Service

*Ms. Sharon Valentine
Director of Environmental Programs*



*Ms. Karoline Stock
Part-Time Nursing Coordinator*

Celebrating 15 Years of Excellent Service



*Ms. Jan Nevois
Director of Administration*



*Ms. Mary "Lisa" Grau
Divisional Services Representative*

Celebrating 10 Years of Excellent Service



*Ms. Wendy Dodd
Accounting Coordinator*



*Ms. Mary Glennon
Public Health Nurse*



*Ms. Susan Rehrig
HIV Program Coordinator*



*Ms. Karen Churig
Public Health Nurse*

Celebrating 5 Years of Excellent Service



*Ms. Rebecca Bennett
Medical Services Representative*

*Ms. Erin Grider-Way
Breastfeeding Peer Counselor*



*Mr. Jeffery Webster
Environmental Health Coordinator*

2019 Employee Recognition

Gary Gasawski
HIV Benefits Coordinator



Mr. Gary Gasawski. Gary is the HIV Benefits Coordinator and had been with the St. Clair County Health Department since March 20, 2017. In the words of his supervisor, Gary is always willing to help anyone with anything, clients or co-workers, regardless of day or time. He places high value on respectful, positive interaction and as a result, has earned the respect of funders, colleagues, sub-recipients, and clients.

The Employee Recognition program is sponsored by the Willard C. Scrivner, MD Public Health Foundation.* Employees are nominated based on their annual evaluation score. Eligible employees are then placed in a pool of nominees and scored by their immediate supervisor on attendance, punctuality, and teamwork. The **Employee of the Year** receives a \$50 gift card and the **Employee of the Quarter** receives a \$25 gift card



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2019 Employee Recognition

EMPLOYEES OF THE QUARTER



Shannon Melton

**HIV Case Manager
Infectious Disease Prevention**

Ms. Shannon Melton, HIV Case Manager, has been nominated for the Employee of the Quarter. Shannon Melton is a May 2018 graduate of McKendree University and immediately started as a Case Manager in the HIV program. Shannon quickly excelled in her position, and has recently been selected to fill the vacant HIV Program Coordinator position. She is dedicated to ensuring her clients have access to care and treatment needs.



Betty Croissant

**Sanitarian
Environmental Programs**

Ms. Betty Croissant, Sanitarian, has been nominated for the Employee of the Quarter. Betty conducts food, water, sewage, vector, liquor inspections and provides tobacco cessation and vaping information. Betty started her career at SCCHD as a Health Educator and has been a Sanitarian since September of 2016.

2019 Employee Recognition

EMPLOYEES OF THE QUARTER



Elizabeth van Uffelen

**Inspector I
Environmental Programs**

Ms. Elizabeth van Uffelen has been nominated for the Employee of the Quarter. Elizabeth is an Inspector with the Environmental Health Division and has been with the agency since October 30, 2017. She is a key member of the Environmental team who, without hesitation offered to take on additional work including nights and weekends during recent staff shortages.



Gary Gasawski

**HIV Benefits Coordinator
Infectious Disease**

Mr. Gary Gasawski has been recommended as the employee of the Quarter. Gary has been employed with SCCHD since March 2017, when he was hired as a Case Manager for the HIV program. Gary, with his experience and knowledge, was promoted to the HIV Medical Services Coordinator position. Gary is truly a client advocate and goes the extra step to help, not only his clients but his co-workers clients as well.

Information



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Environmental

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Food Service Sanitation
Private Water Supplies
Private Sewage Disposal Systems
Tanning Facilities
Nuisance
Vector Control
Smoke Free Illinois
Tattoo & Body Art
Recycling & Pollution Prevention
Landfills & Open Dumps
Compost Facilities

Infectious Disease Prevention

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Tuberculosis Prevention Management
Sexually Transmitted Diseases
Employee Health Services
Communicable Surveillance/Control
Emergency Preparedness Response
Medical Reserve Corps
HIV Testing & Follow Up

Administration

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Finance
Human Resources
Information Technology
Public Relations
Community Health Systems

Personal Health

{618} 233-6170 fx: {618} 236-0821

All Kids, Health Insurance Applications
Breastfeeding Support
Childhood Immunizations
Better Birth Outcomes Program
High Risk Infant Follow-up Program
Healthworks of Illinois
Women, Infants & Children (WIC)
Lead Screening and Case Management
Illinois Breast & Cervical Cancer Program*
* (For IBCCP call (618)825-4408)