

Broadening the Spectrum

McLean County Health Department
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McLean County Health Department



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Mission Statement

The purpose of the McLean County Health Department is to fulfill the public interest in assuring conditions conducive to good health and providing leadership in promoting and protecting the health of county residents. The Department shall carry out its mission through:

- 1) assessment and analysis of health conditions;
- 2) development of local health policies;
- 3) prevention and control of disease through health promotion, early intervention and health protection;
- 4) where applicable, enforcement of state laws and local ordinances pertaining to health;
- 5) assurance of access to personal health care services;
- 6) minimizing the adverse impact of diseases and disabilities;
- 7) conducting programs in accordance with Illinois Department of Public Health certification standards for local health departments; and,
- 8) coordination and planning with other entities for a comprehensive community health system.

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Message from the Director



This year the McLean County Health Department celebrates 60 years of service to the citizens of McLean County with its diamond anniversary. As I reflect upon the changes that have occurred throughout those six decades, I am reminded that even in this rapidly evolving world, the old adage still applies: *the more things change, the more they stay the same*. Though the spectrum of people we serve, the programs we provide and the manner in which we meet the needs of the public have broadened significantly; our mission and the value of century-old public health principles endure.

We rely on the traditional practice of public health brought about through the provision of immunizations, assuring safe food and water and delivering preventive health services to mothers and children. Yet, the subtle changes that take place in these programs allow us to make measurable strides in preventing death and disease. Combining tried and true public health methods with evolving technology and advancements in practice, we continue to improve and take on new challenges.

Throughout the 60 year history of the department, the last 10 years have ushered in a veritable renaissance in public health's importance. As our nation experienced the horrific acts and aftermath of September 11, 2001, public health professionals rose to the call for enhanced surveillance and 24/7 response capacity. This level of expected response was inconceivable just a few short years ago. Yet, the McLean County Health Department now has in place a mature public health emergency response function.

Along with the threat of bioterrorism over the last 10 years, we have seen new diseases like West Nile virus and SARS emerge. In contrast, once controlled diseases such as mumps and pertussis have resurfaced. Finding ways to simultaneously battle both the new and the old has become the norm.

Not only are we called upon to respond to new threats and diseases, the department is faced with the task of protecting a burgeoning and culturally diverse population. The Women, Infants and Children's nutritional program (WIC) and family case management caseloads have grown exponentially during the last decade. Through contractual interpretive services, the Health Department now better serves non-English speaking clients. Adaptations within our Health Promotion section, through women's health and tobacco education efforts, have also allowed our prevention messages to reach more people than ever.

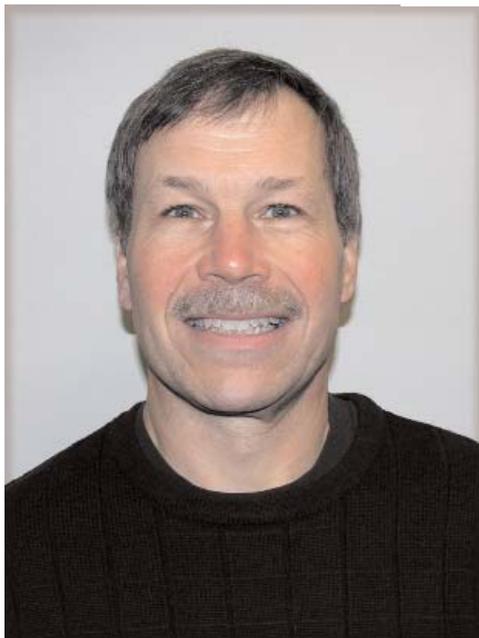
The theme of the 60th Annual Report, *Broadening the Spectrum*, is an apt metaphor for describing the diversification and strategic design of our contemporary public health practices. Much the way light transforms as it passes through a solid diamond, the McLean County Health Department shares a new and colorful array of responsibilities and approaches with our partners in the public health system; yet our mission and its foundation remain unchanged. This foundation affords us with the clarity and resolution to take on whatever the future may have in store.

I encourage you to read the pages that follow. I believe you'll join me in celebrating the 60 years of service of the McLean County Health Department.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert J. Keller". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Robert J. Keller
Director

Message from the Board of Health President



For the past 60 years, the McLean County Health Department has provided public health services and protected this community with persistence and dedication. It is often easy to take for granted the fruits of this labor, since much of the work results in an absence of disease or improved health status. Often, many of us are not aware that we are the direct beneficiaries of the presence of public health in McLean County.

Even though most residents may never have the opportunity to walk through the doors of the health department, each of us benefits from clean water, safe food, proper disposal of wastewater and control of communicable diseases. These results are brought about by the hard work of the committed professionals and the policy role of the Board of Health.

As President of the Board of Health, I witnessed first hand many of the health department's successes throughout the past year. I am routinely impressed with the staff's thoroughness and precision in achieving these outcomes. Our board reinforces this work by assuring quality and consistency in the practice of public health. It is this culture of continuous progress that has helped bring about the improvements in health status over the past six decades.

The McLean County Health Department, through the policy guidance of the Board of Health, makes up the foundation for our public health system, but we cannot do it alone. We, along with multiple health care providers and community agencies, comprise a system that continues to broaden the spectrum of services and outcomes and illustrates the meaning of *Partners in Prevention*.

On behalf of the Board of Health, Tuberculosis Care and Treatment Board and the Board of Care and Treatment of Persons with a Development Disability, I invite you to read *Broadening the Spectrum* and observe the success of the McLean County Health Department's past 60 years.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Daniel Steadman". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Dan Steadman, D.D.S.
Board of Health President

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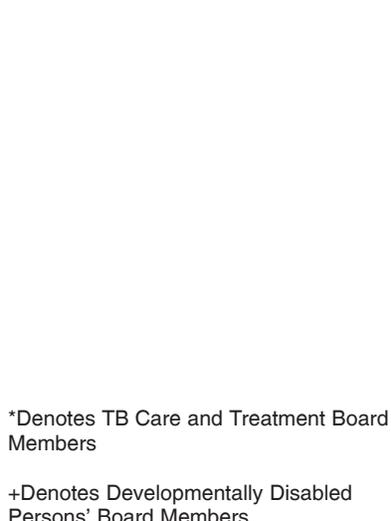
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+Denotes Developmentally Disabled Persons' Board Members

2006 Highlights

Personal Health Services Division

Maternal Child Health

The Women, Infants and Children Program (WIC) surpassed its projected caseload again this year. Women enrolled in the program benefited from improved education and counseling on the importance of breastfeeding. As a result, breastfeeding rates among WIC enrollees grew to a level of 70% for initiation and nearly 30% for six month duration compliance.

Within the family case management program's teen parent services, 60% of participants graduated high school or completed a GED.

Through collaborative efforts with OSF St. Joseph Medical Center, the OSF Community Prenatal Clinic was opened in the original St. Joseph Hospital building this year. The clinic provides prenatal care to uninsured and underinsured women, particularly in the Spanish-speaking community. The family case management program coordinates services for its clients in conjunction with OSF's clinic.

The HealthWorks program provides medical oversight to over 500 DCFS wards annually within a four county area. Often, substitute care providers do not have a full grasp on the community resources available to them in meeting the needs of the wards assigned to them. In many cases, child care skills need to be better understood. During 2006, the program continued to meet increased demands as more children were taken into protective custody.

Community Health and Disease Prevention

With the retirement of several tenured staff, the division took the opportunity to reorganize in order to better serve the community. The Community Health Services and Disease Prevention Section was established to put forth more effort in preventing disease through education, marketing, and community outreach. In addition to providing community health nursing services and overseeing adult and children's dental programs, the section is responsible for immunization programs and expanding disease prevention functions. Through this section, a major effort was launched in reaching schools to address the rise in pertussis cases.

Through Vaccines For Children, the immunization clinic started to offer hepatitis A and Tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis (Tdap) vaccines and expanded coverage of flu shots to children.

Also this year, the children's dental clinic was expanded to three days per week.



Public health nurse Natalie Morgan checks up on one of the department's newest clients.

This allowed for services to be provided for developmentally disabled county residents, in partnership with the Marc Center; and children and adolescents housed at the McLean County Juvenile Detention Center.

Communicable Disease

This year, the Communicable Disease Section, in cooperation with a doctoral candidate, conducted an assessment of community outreach interventions focused on Chlamydia prevention. The research entailed mapping cases and targeting interventions specifically to areas of the community with higher Chlamydia infection rates.

Also in 2006, the HIV program focused more resources on providing services to those at greatest risk of contracting HIV. Furthermore, the program worked with the department's public health communication specialist to develop a cable television commercial aimed at those in need of HIV counseling and testing.

2006 saw the re-emergence of infectious diseases previously thought to be eradicated. The early spring brought with it a rapid rise of mumps cases both locally and throughout the state of Illinois. This year, 15 cases of mumps were diagnosed compared with no cases the previous year.

The diligent effort of the department in assuring compliance with immunization standards helped this community fare well in comparison to counties in Iowa. The community also experienced an upswing in cases of pertussis this year. Like mumps, immunity has begun to wane, resulting in the re-emergence of the disease.

The Personal Health Services Division provided the following services in 2006:

Maternal Child Health

Family Case Management

Families served	1,657
Home visit/office contacts	12,885
Kid Care applications	478
Teen Parent families served	72
Teen Parent follow-up contacts	1,209
Genetic counseling, referral and education	976

DCFS Medical Case Management

Children age 0-6 served	155
Follow up contacts	2,292

DCFS HealthWorks for McLean, Livingston, DeWitt and Piatt

Children enrolled	445
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Pediatric Primary Care Services

New and return infants and children for EPSDT (Early Periodic Screening and Diagnosis & Treatment)	4,058
Physical Assessment	1
Hemoglobin	2,909
Denver Developmental Screening (DDST II)	2,730
Ages & Stages Questionnaire (ASQ)	138
Ages & Stages Questionnaire Social Emotion (ASQ SE)	37
Early Intervention referrals to:	
Child & Family Connections (CFC)	45
School	17
Referrals (Vision & Hearing, Dental, Early Intervention, Smoking Cessation, Physician and Social Services)	549

Child Care Nurse Consultant

Consultations and Presentations	397
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Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention

Screening tests performed	1,450
Assessment questionnaires completed	1,781

WIC - Women, Infants and Children Program

Certifications

Pregnant, postpartum and breastfeeding women	1,679
Infants	653
Children	2,483
Total certifications	4,815
(includes duplicates-clients certified every six months)	
Number of clients attending nutrition education	6,482
(includes duplicates-clients certified every six months)	

Community Health and Disease Prevention

Immunization Clinic

Attendance	3,201
Immunizations Given	8,800
DT (under 7 yrs. of age)	3
DTAP	1,522
Hepatitis A	297
Hepatitis B	126
Hib (ActHIB & Pedvax Hib)	568
Comvax for Hep B & Hib	809
Influenza	
Adult	1202
Pediatric	497
IPV (Polio)	1,258
Meningococcal	168
MMR	783
Pneumonia	3
Pediarix	288
Prevnar	1,533
Td (7 yrs. of age and older)	198
Tdap (Boostrix & Adacel)	238
Varicella (Chickenpox)	495

Dental Clinic (children and adult)

Patient clinic appointments (with dentist)	1,868
Patient clinic appointments (with hygienist)	1,633 children
Clinic procedures	8,812
School-based sealant clinic children served	146
School sealant procedures	501

Eye Clinic

Preschoolers and school-aged children	14
Adults	73

Community Clinic Health Screenings

Number of clinics	61
Number of people screened	657

Home Visits

Home Nursing Program Visits	749
Nursing Student Home Visits	75

Preschool Vision and Hearing

Vision	05/06
Total screenings	1,954
Total referrals	8

Hearing

Total screenings	2,212
Total referrals	0

Vision and Hearing Screenings

Vision	Screenings 05/06
McLean County Health Department	120
Rural/Parochial/Preschools	1,374
Child Care Centers	460

Hearing

McLean County Health Department	138
Rural/Parochial/Preschools	1,603
Child Care Centers	471

Vision Care Program

Clients served	718
Eyeglasses dispensed	412

Communicable Disease

Communicable Diseases Reported to McLean County Health Department

^AIDS	4
HIV Antibody Positive (Physician Reported)	12
HIV Positive (MCHD Counseling and Testing Program)	5
Amebiasis	0
Brucellosis	0
^Campylobacter	19
Chlamydia	506
Chickenpox	130
Cryptosporidiosis	0
^Encephalitis	0
^Escherichia coli	0
^Giardiasis	14
^Gonorrhea:	
Health Department	28
Other Providers	133
Total	161
^Foodborne Illness:	
Botulism	0
Chemical Intoxication	0
Clostridium-perfringens	0
Norwalk Virus	0
Foodborne Illness Inquiries	18
^Hepatitis, viral:	
Type A	1
Type B	31
Type C - confirmed	49
^Histoplasmosis	3
Legionnaires Disease	0
Lyme Disease	4
Malaria Fever	2
^Measles-Clinical Diagnosis	0
Measles-Laboratory Confirmed	0
^Meningitis:	
Haemophilus-influenze	0
Other bacteria	0
Viral	26
Meningococemia	0
^Mumps - confirmed	15
^Other Rash Illnesses	0
^Pertussis.....	59
^Rabies Prophylaxis	5
Reye's Syndrome	0
Rocky Mt. Spotted Fever	0
Rubella	0
^Salmonella	26
^Shigella	2
Staph Aureus	4
Strep Pneumonia (Inv.)	9
^Syphilis:	
Health Department	1
Other Providers	0
Total	1
^Tuberculosis	1
^Toxic Shock Syndrome	0
West Nile Virus	3

^Indicates diseases for which investigations were conducted by the Communicable Disease Section.

S.T.D. Clinic

Attendance711

HIV Antibody Counseling and Testing 615

Anonymous pretest counseling sessions	262
Anonymous tests	262
Confidential tests	192
Non-RIG Anonymous	161

Community Health Education Presentations

Topic	Number of Presentations	Attendance
Communicable Disease	3	72
HIV/AIDS	32	265
Sexually Transmitted Diseases	6	99
Tuberculosis	4	30

McLean County Tuberculosis Clinic

Active TB Cases:

New	1
Reactivated	0
Referred from other areas	0
Total	1
TB suspects	6
Patients and suspects hospitalized	1

Number of Clinic Visits:

Total number of visits	4,019
Medical consultations	90
Nursing consultations	163
New medication orders	31
Medication refills	15
Directly observed therapy	38
Chest x-rays	16
Tuberculin skin tests - negative	1,828
Tuberculin skin tests - positive	27
Blood chemistry tests	9
Home visits - nurse	20
Hospital visits - physician	0

Interpretation and Translation Services (hours provided):

Spanish	1,738
American Sign Language	11
Chinese	15
Hindi	1
Korean	0
French	45
Russian	33
Vietnamese	1
Total hours of service	1,799

Environmental Health Division

The Environmental Health Division experienced changes in leadership and the addition of several new staff members this year, leaving the division with an entirely new look. The division overcame the challenges of employee turnover and settling under new management and continued to move forward with the use of new technology. Global Information Systems (GIS) technology has enabled staff to review septic, well, and geothermal applications for properties right from their desks, yielding large aerial maps obsolete.

As has been the trend for the past several years, the number of permitted full-time food establishments continued its upward trend. At the same time, energy conscious county residents were turning to geothermal heating and cooling systems. This has placed increased registration demands on the division's recently created geothermal exchange system program.

As the weather heated up this year, so did activity under the two West Nile virus grants. Under the surveillance program, 132 mosquito pools were tested, with nine testing positive for West Nile virus. This was the largest number of positive mosquito pools since the testing's inception three years ago. The positive pools serve as a predictor of subsequent human cases. McLean County reported three human cases resulting in two hospitalizations. This is the second largest human infection total since reporting began five years ago.

The Environmental Health Division provided the following services in 2006:

Food Sanitation Program

Food establishment permits active at year end	.744
Total full-time establishment permits issued for year	.811
Temporary food permits issued for year	.454
Food establishments plans received/reviewed	.74
Food product inquiries received	.0
Food establishment complaints received	.83
Total food sanitation inspections/reinspections	.2,420

Private Sewage Disposal Program

Installation permits	.217
Total inspections/reinspections	.432
System installers licensed	.36
Septic tank pumpers licensed	.15
Sewage system complaints for year	.4
Total other sewage complaints investigated	.7

Potable Water Program

Private water sample reports	.478
Non-Community water supplies	.25
Water well installation permits	.89
Abandoned water wells inspected	.67

Tanning Facility Inspection Program

Tanning facilities under inspection by MCHD	.32
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Solid Waste, Nuisances, Pest Control and other Environmental Complaints

Complaints Received	.25
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Geothermal Exchange System Program

Installation registrations	.66
Geothermal exchange system contractors registered	.25
Geothermal exchange system excavators registered	.11

West Nile Virus Surveillance Program

Number of suspect birds submitted for lab analysis	.10
Number of mosquito pools tested for West Nile Virus	.132

Mental Health Division

For the third consecutive year, McLean County did not admit any children or adolescents to state operated inpatient mental health facilities. Over the last decade, McLean County has continued *Broadening the Spectrum* of services to children and adolescents. The infrastructure established in the community has allowed emotionally disturbed and mentally ill children to remain in the community.

Also during 2006, the division worked with McLean County government's justice system to plan for enhanced drug court services. A contract with the Mental Health Division will provide drug treatment services to an average caseload of 40 patients. Drug court treatment services have been shown to prevent incarceration and repeated use of the criminal justice system.

Preventing or intervening early with youth to prevent substance abuse is also an important component of the substance abuse service system. During FY06, nearly 2000 McLean County students benefited from substance abuse prevention and early intervention services offered under contract with Chestnut Health Systems and Project Oz.

The value of community behavioral health services can be measured by how vulnerable populations are served. In state fiscal year 2006, contracts with the Developmentally Disabled Persons Board allowed approximately 60 individuals to work in the community through supported employment programs provided by the Marc Center and the Occupational Development Center.

The Mental Health Division provided the following services in 2006:

Emotional Disabilities

CHS Crisis Intervention (contacts)	.5,221
CHS Child & Adolescent Outpatient (client openings)	.344
CHS Child & Adolescent Special Assistance (clients)	.78
CHS Psychiatrist Service (client openings)	.240
CHS Adult Outpatient (client openings)	.788
CHS Outpatient Unit 5 Home/School Outreach (average caseload)	.7
CHS Outpatient Dist. 87 Home/School Outreach	.15
PATH Crisis Hotline (calls)	.48,301
PATH Crisis Hotline (referrals to CHS)	.897
ODC MI P.R.O.M.I.S.E. Program (client hrs.)	.16,861
AVERT Domestic Violence Program (contacts)	.177

Developmental Disabilities

MARC 0-3 (average caseload) 377	.136
MARC Supported Employment (client hours) 377	.17,122
MARC Residential (nights of care) 377	.23,847
ODC Vocational Development (client hours) 377	.23,051
ODC Extended Employment (client hours) 377	.40,822
ODC Supported Employment (client hours) 377	.349

Substance Abuse

Chestnut Adolescent Early Intervention (clients)	.3,517
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Prevention

Project Oz Drug Education (clients)	.2,674
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Funding Breakdown

Emotional Disabilities	\$.611,877
Substance Abuse	\$.197,007
Developmental Disabilities (377 Fund)	\$.587,313

Administration and Support Division

Animal Control

The Animal Control program introduced an online payment system for vaccination and registration fees, adding convenience and efficiency to the registration system.

Also, for the second year in a row, rabies and bite investigations increased. Along with this, a heightened concern for rabies in bats prompted public awareness efforts concerning rabies safety.

Health Promotion and Assessment

The Health Promotion and Assessment Section continued Broadening the Spectrum of tobacco interventions in 2006. On-site anti-tobacco education was provided to nearly 2,000 4th and 5th grade students. For the fourth year, *Speaking Art Against Tobacco* was showcased at the University Galleries of ISU. The exhibit featured anti-tobacco posters by artists from area schools. A collaborative effort with U of I Extension and 4-H, the *1200 Pairs of Shoes* display at the McLean County Fair illustrated the number of people in the United States that die each day from tobacco-related disease. The section also responded to an overwhelming public request for nicotine replacement therapy patches made possible through the Illinois Tobacco Quitline.

Heart disease continues to be the leading cause of death in McLean County. Through the Heart Smart for Teens program, our health educators equipped over 200 adolescents with heart disease prevention strategies. With cancer as the second leading cause of death, the *Friends for Life* breast cancer awareness program was again significant in reaching women with life-saving early detection messages. A new campaign themed *Take Time for You* was launched and featured a television ad that encourages women to take time to get a mammogram.

IPLAN

The Illinois Project for Local Assessment of Need (IPLAN) is a guide to improving the health of McLean County residents. The plan involves assessment of health needs and collaboration among community partners to address those needs.

As a result of demands placed on local health departments to meet deliverables under federal bioterrorism planning and preparedness criteria, the 5-year Community Health Plan (CHP) for 1999-2004 was extended by the Illinois Department of Public Health to end in 2007.



Administration staff enter data during the plague release drill.

According to the current plan, the McLean County Health Department, Community Health Advisory Committee and the CHP Implementation Task Forces have been working to improve the following three priority health problems in McLean County: coronary heart disease/heart disease (including cerebrovascular disease), cancer (including lung cancer and breast cancer) and infant mortality (including low birth weight, SIDS and congenital anomalies).

2006 ushered in the planning and development for the upcoming IPLAN community assessment and health plan. Staff began collecting data to include in the first phase of the assessment. The full plan is due for completion in June of 2007.

Public Health Emergency Planning and Response

Together with the local emergency management agency, law enforcement officials, firefighters, hospitals, major businesses and the Illinois Department of Public Health; the Public Health Emergency Planning and Response program held a full-scale plague release simulation in McLean County. The capstone of the drill was a mock dispensing site that demonstrated the capacity to distribute thousands of courses of antibiotics to county residents during an emergency. A smaller scale anthrax drill was conducted in conjunction with the U.S. Postal Service and reinforced the capability of the department to respond to the community during an emergency.

The department was again *Broadening the Spectrum* during 2006 by planning for a pandemic influenza outbreak. With the help of its partners, a pandemic influenza response plan was developed. Later in the year, a pandemic influenza tabletop exercise and subsequent vaccine dispensing exercise took place.

The Administrative and Support Division provided the following services in 2006:

Animal Control Program

Dogs Vaccinations	20,025
Cats Vaccinations	8,279
Dog Registrations	18,358
Animal Bite/Rabies Investigations	503
Animal Control Center Activity:	
Dogs Accepted	798
Dogs Available for Adoption/Transfer	198
Dogs Adopted or Transferred	141
Dogs Reclaimed by Owners	326
*Dogs Euthanized	320
Cats Accepted	410
Cats Available for Adoption/Transfer	113
Cats Adopted or Transferred	48
Cats Reclaimed by Owners	24
*Cats Euthanized	327

*Includes owner request euthanasia, died and dead on arrival.

Illinois Department of Public Health Vital Statistics Summary/McLean County 2005

Population (2006)	161,202
Live Births	2,175
Infant Deaths (under 28 days)	16
Infant Deaths (28 days to 1 year)	7
All Deaths (except Infant)	1,019
Cancer	224
Colorectal Cancer	18
Respiratory Cancer	66
Breast Cancer	18
Cardiovascular	364
Heart Disease	301
Cerebrovascular	42
Infective & Parasitic Diseases	24
Respiratory Diseases	94
Influenza	0
Pneumonia	19
Diabetes	28
Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	11
Accidents & External Causes (including motor vehicles)	58
Suicide	12
Homicide	5
All others	171

Health Promotion and Assessment

Educational Programs	386
Educational Program Participants	11,678
Educational Displays/Special Educational Projects	63
Media Contacts/Articles	218
Promotional Materials Developed/Updated	379
Coalition Building/Community Meetings	446

Health Education Presentations

Topic	Number of Presentations	Attendance
HIV/STD, Pregnancy Prevention	1	50
Tobacco Education	179	6,627
Heart Health	108	911
Dental Health	2	34
Breast Health	25	825
Health Fair/Other	44	664
Employee Wellness	27	2,567
Material Distribution	8,697	

Broadening

Reflecting on 60

1940

1940s Penicillin is discovered.  Pneumonia, influenza and tuberculosis drop in the rankings of causes of death due to immunizations and penicillin. Heart disease, cancer and stroke become the leading causes of death.

1945 The Searcy-Clabaugh Public Health Law is passed, levying a tax to provide for a public health department.

1946 The McLean County Health Department opens, taking over for the 66 year-old Bloomington City Health Department.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), then known as the Communicable Disease Center, is established

1950

1953 CDC reports first case of rabies in a bat. 

1955 Over 10,000 McLean County children receive the polio vaccine

1957 National guidelines for influenza vaccine are developed. 

1960

1964 The first Surgeon General's report linking smoking to lung cancer is released. It states that "cigarette smoking is a health hazard of sufficient importance in the United States to warrant appropriate remedial action." 

1966 Measles vaccine is available to doctors and clinics in McLean County.

1969 Well Child Clinic established and over 10,000 McLean County children are vaccinated against Rubella.

1970

1973 McLean County Health Department implements the solid waste program.

1975 Mental health contract program begins. 

1977 Global eradication of smallpox is achieved.

1978 Lead-based paint and asbestos restricted in homes

1979 McLean County Health Department begins operation of the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) program

1980

1981 The first diagnosis of the fatal disease later known as AIDS was described in the June 5, 1981, issue of the CDC's *Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR)*. 

1984 McLean County Health Department assumes responsibility for the animal control program.

1985 First AIDS case is reported in McLean County 

1986 McLean County Health Department is designated by the Illinois Department of Public Health as an HIV counseling and testing site.

1987 The McLean County Board establishes a county care and treatment board for persons with a developmental disability in order to provide these individuals with community services.

the Spectrum

Years in Public Health

1990

1992 USDA Food Pyramid replaces “Four Food Groups”

The National Academy of Sciences reports a dangerous new phenomenon: the emergence of new and virulent diseases that are resistant to antibiotics.

1993 According to IPLAN, heart disease, lung cancer, foodborne illness, vaccine preventable disease, and childhood lead poisoning are priority health concerns for McLean County 

Family Case Management program begins at the health department.

1994 Animal Control Center opens at its new location on Morris Avenue.

Hepatitis A vaccine available

1996 The state food code changes to require potentially hazardous foods to be cooled to 41 degrees Fahrenheit or lower instead of 45, as a result of the concern for *Listeria* bacteria growth.

1998 McLean County Employee Wellness program is established. 

West Nile virus first appears in U.S. 

1999 McLean County Health Department opens the adult dental clinic. 

Teen Parent Services program is added to Family Case Management.

Department pilots first Child Care Nurse Consultant program in Illinois.

All Our Kids (AOK) Birth to Three Network established.

2000

2000 Local health departments receive tobacco settlement dollars for tobacco prevention programs

2001 West Nile Virus is identified in Illinois 

CDC learns of an anthrax case; the first in a series of domestic terrorism victims of infection by anthrax sent through the mail.

2003 McLean County Health Department commences West Nile virus surveillance and prevention program.

Bioterrorism Planning and Response program is launched. 

SARS is first reported in Asia.

2004 The McLean County Health Department serves as the prime source of flu shots in the midst of a national shortage, providing vaccine to nearly 3,000 residents.

2005 The McLean County Health Department establishes the Medicaid vision screening program. 

The McLean County Health Department begins pandemic influenza planning and response.



The new USDA Food Pyramid is introduced.

2006 The Surgeon General issues the report *The Health Consequences of Involuntary Exposure to Tobacco Smoke*, citing in it that there is no safe level of exposure to tobacco smoke. 

Bloomington and Normal pass comprehensive smoking bans and unincorporated McLean County passes a partial ban to go into effect in 2007.

Recognitions

Alice J. Olsson Memorial Employee of the Year Award

The Alice J. Olsson Memorial Employee of the Year award honors an employee of the McLean County Health Department for outstanding achievement related to public health services in McLean County.



Christi Heberer 2006 Employee of the Year

The McLean County Health Department recognized Christi Heberer as recipient of the 2006 Alice J. Olsson Memorial Employee of the Year award. Ms. Heberer is an accounting specialist in the administration division of the health department. She also assists in maintaining and updating technology within the department.

Ms. Heberer was honored for her patience, positive attitude, professionalism in helping others and contribution to positive morale overall. She was cited for going out of her way when other employees ask for assistance with accounting or technology issues. She was recognized by her colleagues in need of help for offering to lend a hand.

Through her efforts, Ms. Heberer significantly contributes to the continued improvements of public health operations and services.

Recognitions

Public Health Award

Each year, the McLean County Health Department sponsors the McLean County Board of Health Public Health Award. The award honors a McLean County resident who has furthered public health principles and practices and provided valuable service to county residents. The nominee's public health contribution can be either professional or occupational as a volunteer or in a paid capacity.



John F. Couillard, OD and Craig H. Witte, OD 2006 Public Health Award Winners

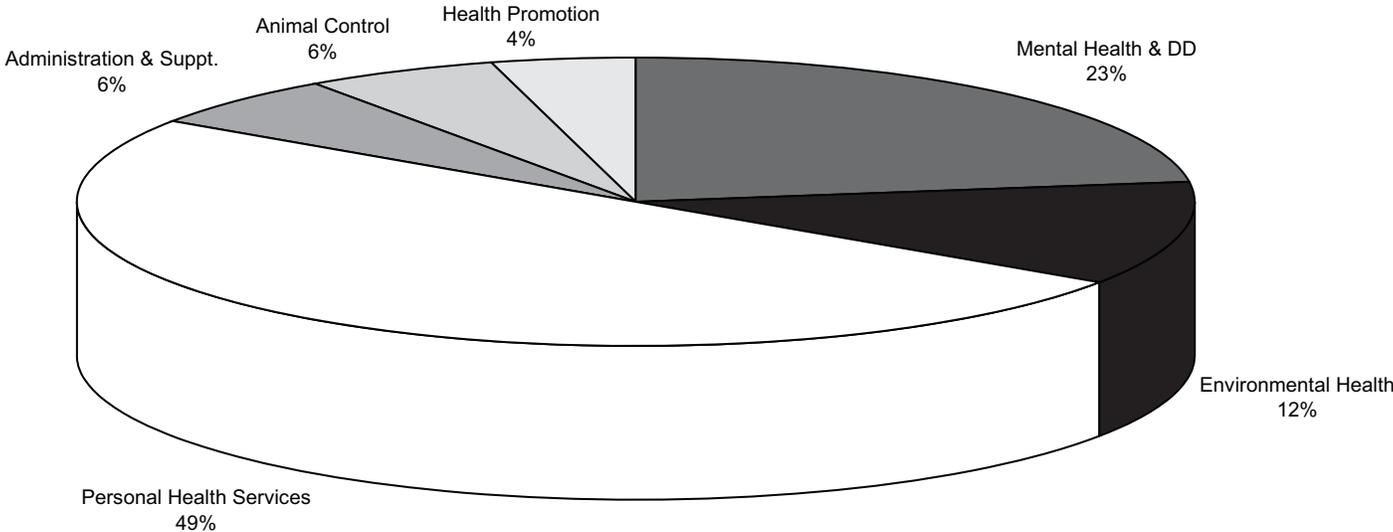
Drs. John F. Couillard and Craig H. Witte were honored for their volunteer efforts to meet the vision care needs of medically indigent individuals in McLean County. The optometrists recognized the need for vision care services and took action, creating the McLean County Eye Care Referral Network for Public Aid. The program provides public aid recipients with access to eye exams and glasses.

Past Public Health Award Winners

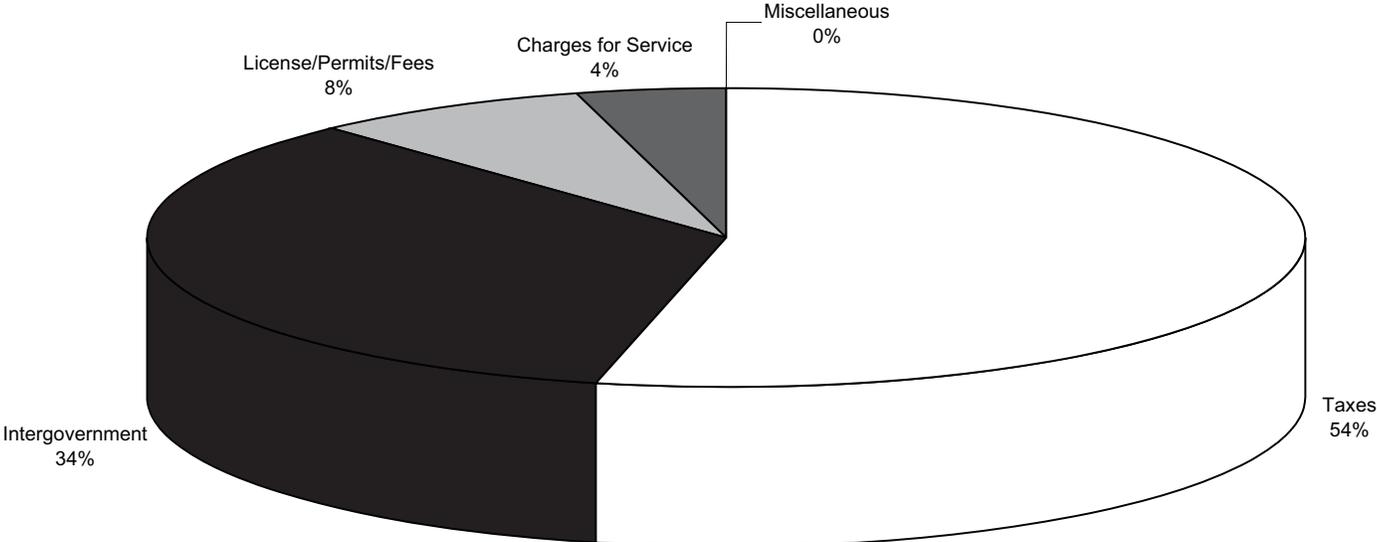
- 2005 **Russell Rush** - for leadership and dedication in reducing infant mortality
- 2004 **Bruce T. Lang** - for increasing awareness of HIV/AIDS and volunteering with the McLean County AIDS Task Force
- 2003 **Ernie Lambert** - for promoting public health as a devoted volunteer
Mark Lareau - for coordinating emergency and bioterrorism preparedness efforts in McLean County
- 2002 **Jennifer Palmer** - for increasing awareness of HIV risks and prevention among African American residents
- 2001 **Vicki Tilton** - for coordinating a wig bank and providing specialized cosmetic care for chemotherapy patients
- 2000 **Gerry Decker** - for volunteering with local agencies and assisting in areas ranging from communicable disease to maternal and child health as well as mental health
- 1999 **Marilyn Evans** - for establishing the McLean County Affiliate of the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation
- 1998 **Drs. Stephen Doran, Jack Capodice, and David Efaw** - for improving access to dental care for indigent county residents and for coordinating free dental clinics
- 1997 **Ruth Ann Sikora** - for helping provide services to medically indigent residents of McLean County
- 1996 **Harold C. Ryan** - for helping plan and develop the Community Health Care Clinic's free dispensary
- 1995 **Myrna Eiben** - for volunteering and helping improve the Unit 5 school health program
- 1994 **Barbara J. Nathan and Deborah S. Smith** - for aiding in the development of a community-based prenatal clinic that provides services for low-income women
- 1993 **Dan Steadman, DDS** - for providing free preventive, restorative, and emergency dental care to low income adults and children in McLean County

McLean County Health Department

Expense by Category



Revenue by Category



FINANCIAL STATEMENT

JANUARY 1, 2006 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2006

	Health Fund	TB Care & Treatment Fund	Persons/ Dev. Dis. Fund	Dental Sealant Fund	WIC Fund	Health Promotion Fund	Prev. Health Fund	FCM/ DCFS Case Mgt. Fund	AIDS/ Com. Dis. Fund	Total All Funds	Eye Clinic Fund	Emily Baker Fund
Fund Bal. Brought forward Jan. 1, 2006	\$ 964,249	\$ 184,727	\$ 39,974	\$ 105,120	\$ 121,283	\$ 1,744	\$ 25,007	\$ 405,518	\$ 55,981	\$ 1,903,602	\$ 26,420	\$ 76,930
Revenue												
Taxes	\$ 2,651,114	\$ 288,463	\$ 587,915							\$ 3,527,493		
Intergovernmental	\$ 374,855			\$ 231,054	\$ 381,527	\$ -	\$ 101,256	\$ 899,930	\$ 283,037	\$ 2,271,658		
License/Permit/Fees	\$ 525,586									\$ 525,586	\$ 6,698	\$ 11,825
Charges for Service	\$ 236,385	\$ -		\$ 21,176				\$ 1,885		\$ 259,446		
Transfer												
Miscellaneous	\$ 1,271	\$ 105			\$ 290		\$ 3,888	\$ 520.00	\$ 9	\$ 6,083		
Total Revenue	\$ 3,789,211	\$ 288,568	\$ 587,915	\$ 252,230	\$ 381,817	\$ -	\$ 105,143	\$ 902,335	\$ 283,046	\$ 6,590,266	\$ 6,698	\$ 11,825
Expenditures												
Mental Health & DD	\$ 845,781		\$ 584,213							\$ 1,429,994		
Environmental Health	\$ 707,785								\$ 24,489	\$ 732,274		
Personal Health Services	\$ 1,100,340	\$ 275,320		\$ 205,961	\$ 379,989	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 913,275	\$ 257,623	\$ 3,132,509	\$ 4,639	\$ -
Administration & Support	\$ 354,139									\$ 354,139		
Animal Control	\$ 360,832									\$ 360,832		
Health Promotion	\$ 150,237				\$ -	\$ -	\$ 103,195			\$ 253,432		
Total Expenditures	\$ 3,519,114	\$ 275,320	\$ 584,213	\$ 205,961	\$ 379,989	\$ -	\$ 103,195	\$ 913,275	\$ 282,113	\$ 6,263,181	\$ 4,639	\$ -
Excess of Revenue or (Expenditure/												

60th Anniversary Celebration

The health department celebrated its 60th anniversary on November 17, 2006 with an open house reception for employees and community leaders. Visitors enjoyed viewing photos and other memorabilia from McLean County Health Department history.

An article appearing in the Pantagraph on October 30, 2006 commemorated the department's 60 years of success.



Above: Staff members stand outside the department's first location at 1009 N. Park, Bloomington, in 1949.



Above: Director Bob Keller points out an interesting piece of memorabilia at the 60th anniversary celebration.



Left: A sanitarian inspects the Four Star Service Station cafe in 1957.

Below: Public health nurses (including Jane Tinsley, back row center) give tuberculin testing at Normal Community High School in 1966.



Retired public health nurse Jane Tinsley and Personal Health Services Director Karen Mayes chat at the 60th anniversary reception.



Staff

Administration

Robert J. Keller, Director
Walter Howe, Assistant Administrator
Josh Detmers, Parking Lot Attendant
Nancy Hannah, Office Support Specialist II
Christi Heberer, Accounting Specialist I
Stacy Jackson, Office Support Specialist I
Sam Mayberry, Parking Lot Attendant
Vera Price, Accounting Specialist I
Donalda Voss, Administrative Support Supervisor II

Animal Control

Randy Brunswick, County Veterinarian
Peggy Gibson, Animal Control Director
Bill Clark, Animal Control Manager
Ryan Bevers, Animal Control Warden
Natalie Ingram, Animal Control Warden
Arthur McBurney, Animal Control Center Operator
Heidi Sauer, Office Support Specialist I
Matthew Shultz, Animal Control Warden
Marshall Thomson, Animal Control Warden
Deena Wood, Animal Control Warden

Health Promotion and Assessment

Jan Morris, Health Promotion Program Manager
Bree Davis, Public Health Communication Specialist
Kristen Ferreri, Intern
Jackie Lanier, Health Promotion Specialist
Connie Montague, Administrative Specialist
Carolyn Rutherford, Health Promotion Specialist

Environmental Health

Tom Anderson, Environmental Health Director
Larry Carius, Environmental Health Program Supervisor
John Hendershott, Environmental Health Program Supervisor
Scott Cook, Staff Sanitarian
Angela Crawford, Staff Sanitarian
Peg Cummings, Office Support Specialist I
Linda Foutch, Senior Sanitarian
Nick Homa, Staff Sanitarian
Maguy Kalombo, Staff Sanitarian
Mary Mangruem, Staff Sanitarian
Laurie Mayberry, Office Support Specialist II
David Mayes, Staff Sanitarian
Ike Ogbo, Staff Sanitarian
Alexandria Reed, Intern

Personal Health Services

Karen Mayes, Director of Personal Health Services
Sue Albee, Community Health Services Supervisor
Chris Shadewaldt, Communicable Disease/Health Program Supervisor
Jan Weber, Maternal-Child Health Services Supervisor
Deborah Adekoya, Communicable Disease Investigator
Joyce Adelekan, Case Manager
Kimberly Anderson, Women, Infants & Children Program Coordinator
Wendy Bardwell, Public Health Nurse
Alana Bourgond, Office Support Specialist I
Carol Bucher, Clinic Nurse
Robyn Cavallo, Office Support Specialist I
Heather Cavinder, Office Support Specialist I

Trish Cleary, Clinic Supervisor
Melissa Coe, Communicable Disease Investigator
Cathy Coverston-Anderson, Bioterrorism/Public Health Planner
Charlotte Cramer, Office Support Specialist I
Monique Currie, Office Support Specialist I
Barbara Easterling, Office Support Specialist I
Martha Eckert, Office Support Specialist I
Hannah Emerson, Office Support Specialist I
Phyllis Ford, Vision and Hearing Technician
Ceci Gaspardo, Office Support Specialist II
Heidi German, Public Health Nurse, CCNC
Vicki Hall, Public Health Nurse
Brandy Hansen, Office Support Specialist I
Valerie Harlacher, Communicable Disease Investigator
Christine Herring, Peer Counselor
Mary Hill, Public Health Nurse
Stacey Hirsch, Public Health Nurse
Melissa Hjerpe, Public Health Nurse
Denise Hunt, Case Management Supervisor
Jane Jesse, Public Health Nurse
Erin Johnson, Communicable Disease Human Services Specialist
Lacy Jones, Public Health Nurse
Deb Junis, Nutritionist
Sue Kean, Clinic Nurse
Sabrina Lawrence, Case Manager
Susan Lukovich, Vision and Hearing Technician
Amanda McCambridge, Office Support Specialist I
Marie McCurdy, Case Manager
Natalie Morgan, Public Health Nurse
Linda Nolen, Communicable Disease Investigator
Kathleen Powell, Nutritionist
Sophie Rebert, Case Manager
Donna Roberson, Office Support Specialist I
Bev Roberts, Public Health Nurse
Sue Rutherford, Public Health Nurse
ShuhKuen Schuller, Nutritionist
Maureen Sollars, Zero to Three Assurance Coordinator
Alisa Sorensen, DCFS Coordinator
Donna Sprague, Clinic Nurse
Geri Stuart, Public Health Nurse
Julie Sullivan, Office Support Specialist II
Annette Thoennes, Office Support Specialist I
Tamara Thoennes, Case Manager

County Physician/Medical Advisor:
Kenneth Inoue, M.D.

Tuberculosis Program Medical Director:
David Skillrud, M.D.

Dentists:

Jonathan Hume, D.D.S.
Diane Caruso, DDS
Teresa Reyes, Dental Hygienist
Terie Sumrall, Dental Hygienist

In addition to internal operations, Health Department administrative and professional staff participate on various state and local committees, task forces, coordinating councils, and network organizations.

Local:

American Red Cross of the Heartland Disaster Services
Bloomington Municipal Credit Union Board
Bloomington Plumbing Board of Appeals
BroMenn Healthcare Advisory Board
Community Health Advisory Committee
Community Health Care Clinic Board
Community Youth Liaison Council
Corbelt Health Educators Association
Heartland Coalition for Youth and Families
Heartland Headstart Health Advisory Committee
Human Services Council
John M. Scott Commission
Livingston-McLean Counties Mental Health Planning Committee
Marc Human Rights Committee
March of Dimes Health Professional Advisory Committee
McLean County AIDS Task Force
McLean County Board - American Heart Association

McLean County Children and Adolescent Local Area Network (Mental Health)
McLean County Compact Council
McLean County Compact Executive Committee
McLean County Compact Clearinghouse Committee
McLean County Disaster Council
McLean County HIV Prevention Forum
McLean County Local Interagency Council
McLean County Medical Reserve Corps
McLean County Mental Health Association Board
McLean County Senior Citizen Providers Task Force
McLean County Solid Waste Management Technical Committee
McLean County Terrorism Committee
McLean County Volunteer Coordinator's Association
Normal Plumbing Board of Appeals
Partners for Community
Special Needs Advisory Panel
United Way Day Care/Preschool Committee
United Way Health Allocations Panel

Regional/State/National/International:

Air and Waste Management Association
Association for Professionals in Infection Control
Association of Public Health Nurse Educators
American Public Health Association
American Society on Aging
Association of Community Mental Health Authorities of Illinois
Illinois Association of Boards of Health
Illinois Association of Local Environmental Health Administrators
Illinois Association of Public Health Administrators
Illinois Conference on Tuberculosis and Lung Disease, Inc.
Illinois Diabetes Advisory Council
Illinois Environmental Health Association

Illinois Groundwater Association
Illinois Public Health Association
Illinois Public Health Futures Institute
Illinois Public Health Improvement Project Committee
Illinois Public Health Nurse Administrators
Illinois Society for Public Health Education
International Association of Food Protection
Medical Reserve Corps-Illinois
National Association of City and County Health Officers
National Environmental Health Association
National Sanitation Foundation (NSF)
North Central Association of Food and Drug Region 6 HIV Prevention Community Planning Group

Community Health Advisory Committee

Lucinda Beier
ISU/Applied Social Research Unit

Bruce Boeck
Chestnut Health Systems

Mary Campbell
ISU School of Social Work

Diana Cristy
BroMenn Healthcare

Sharon Gatto
OSF Center for Healthy Lifestyles

Tamara Guy
Child Abuse America

Joe Gibson
Bloomington Township

Sue Henkel
BroMenn Healthcare

Lyn Hruska
American Red Cross

Cindy Kerber
IWU School of Nursing

Beth Kimmerling
McLean County Coroner

Barb McLaughlin-Olson
Heartland Community College

Michael Meece
United Way of McLean County

Teri Meisner
Katie's Kids Learning Center

Jenny Messier
BroMenn Healthcare

Marion Micke, Ph.D.
ISU Department of Health Sciences

H. Catherine Miller
Heartland Community College

James L. Williams
Agrability Unlimited

McLean County Health Department Members: Sue Albee, Cathy Coverston Anderson, Heidi German, Bob Keller, Jackie Lanier, Karen Mayes, Jan Morris, Maureen Sollars, Jan Weber



Before a diamond shows its brilliancy and prismatic colors it has to stand a good deal of cutting and smoothing.

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