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Fayette County Health Beat

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Vaccination: An Act of Love

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Immunizations are one of the most important ways parents can protect their children against serious diseases. Infants are particularly vulnerable to infectious diseases. Babies are vaccinated against 14 vaccine-preventable diseases before age two.

As kids get older, protection provided by some vaccines can begin to wear off. Doctors recommend that all 11 and 12 year olds get Tetanus Diphtheria, Pertussis (Tdap) and Meningococcal vaccines. 11 and 12 year old girls should also get the human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine. A second varicella vaccine is also recommended if only one was received prior.

Some adults think immunizations are just for kids, however adults should receive vaccines for protection against Influenza, Pneumococcal, Shingles, Hepatitis A and B and other diseases. It is important that Health care personnel be up to date on vaccines to protect their patients, their family and themselves.

The United States currently has the safest, most effective vaccine supply in history. Years of testing are required by law before a vaccine can be licensed. Vaccines are continually monitored for safety and efficacy.

Vaccines are among the most successful and cost-effective public health tools available for preventing disease and death. They not only help protect vaccinated individuals, but also help protect entire communities by preventing and reducing the spread of infectious diseases.

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Public Health
Prevent. Promote. Protect.

Vaccine-preventable disease levels are at or near record lows. However, we cannot take high immunization coverage levels for granted. To continue to protect America's children and adults, we must obtain maximum immunization coverage in all populations, establish effective partnerships, conduct reliable scientific research, implement immunization systems, and ensure vaccine safety.

<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines>

JULY 2008 Statistics

MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH

WIC

Active WIC Clients.....	847
WIC Services.....	349
Breast Feeding Women.....	22
Breast Feeding Peer Counseling.....	49

Family Case Management

Active Families.....	382
EPSDTs.....	53
Lead Screenings.....	26
Pregnancy Tests.....	19
ASQ:SEs.....	82
Edinburghs.....	40
Denvers.....	94
Immunizations.....	251
TB Screenings.....	1
Home Visits.....	15
APORS Visits.....	8
Healthwork Clients.....	18

Healthy Families Illinois

Families Served.....	46
Home Visits.....	91
Assessments.....	6

Clinics

By Appointment Only

Blood Sugar/Blood Pressure Screenings
Monday, 8:30-9:30

Paternity Collection
Mondays, 9:30-4:00

Lab Clinic/Cholesterol/
Lead Screenings
Tuesday Mornings,
8:30-12

STD/Urine Screenings
Tuesdays, 8:30-Noon

Immunization/TB Clinic
Wednesdays, 8:30-5:30

FCM/WIC Services
Monday-Friday, 8:00-4:30

Doula

Families Served.....	10
Home Visits.....	31
Doula Assisted Deliveries.....	0
Prenatal Fitness Classes.....	7

TPS

Clients.....	16
Graduated High School.....	0
Clients Received GED.....	0

Genetics

Screenings.....	40
Clinics.....	0
Patients Seen In Clinic.....	0

PERSONAL HEALTH SERVICES

Clinics.....	10
Blood Pressures.....	36
Blood Sugars.....	1
Lab Tests.....	17
STD Urine Screenings Total.....	1
Lead Screenings.....	5
Lead Tests.....	3
New Lead Poisoning Cases.....	1
Environmental Home Nurse Visits.....	1
Clients Receiving Foot Care.....	24
Hearing Tested.....	0
Vision Tested.....	0
Jail Nursing Services.....	7
Adult Injections.....	13

IMMUNIZATION

Clinics.....	5
Vaccine Administered.....	170
Children's Immunizations.....	157
Pediatric Flu.....	0
Adult Immunizations.....	13
Zostavax.....	0

TB

TB Tests.....	35
TB Screenings.....	14

HEALTH EDUCATION & PROMOTION

Diabetes Participants.....	326
Medication Management Clients.....	4
New Break the Habit Smoking Cessation Clients.....	1
Tobacco Quitline Calls.....	6
CPR Class Participants.....	0

Communicable Disease

New Cases.....	1
Cases Closed.....	0

Sexually Transmitted Diseases

STD Cases Received & Reported.....	1
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Tuberculosis

TB Investigations.....	2
New Prophylactic Patients.....	0
New Active Cases.....	0

HOME HEALTH

Number of Current Patients.....	49
Total Served.....	71
Total Number of Visits.....	436

HOSPICE

Number of Patients.....	13
Number of Volunteers.....	8
Families in Bereavement.....	95

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

Food Safety

Inspections.....	24
Re-Inspections.....	0
Spot Checks.....	3
Complaints.....	2
Certifications.....	12
Re-Certifications.....	0
Pre-Openings.....	1

Tanning

Inspections.....	1
Re-Inspections.....	0

Private Sewage

Plan Approvals.....	9
Installations.....	10

Potable Water

Wells Permitted.....	1
Wells Constructed.....	1
Water Samples.....	6
Non-Community.....	0

Complaints

Sewage Complaints.....	3
Nuisance Complaints.....	0
Resolved Complaints.....	1
Referred Complaints.....	0

Wells Sealed.....1

Real Estate Surveys.....0

Sewage Compliance-Vandalia Lake.....5

West Nile Bird Submission.....0

Subdivision Review.....0

Rabies Specimen Submission.....0