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ANNUAL REPORT

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Dear Fayette County Residents,

On behalf of the Fayette County Board of Health, I am pleased to provide you this annual report for December 2022-November 2023, which outlines the hard work and dedication of the Leadership Team, supervisors and staff.

Throughout the year, our dedicated team of professionals worked tirelessly to ensure the health and well-being of our community. We focused on our programs and provided initiatives to improve access to care, prevent spread of infectious diseases and promote healthy lifestyles. Our staff has maintained stability and we had had very limited openings this past year.

Our main focus for 2023 was our accreditation process and the completion of the Illinois Project for Local Assessment of Needs (IPLAN). Community meetings and staff meeting were held to address the top three health priorities for Fayette County. Those include: Mental and Behavioral Health, Substance Abuse and Chronic Illness. By setting baselines, objectives, risk and contributing factors, and resources and barriers, we were able to identify actions that will address these priorities. FCHD will work and collaborate with other agencies, facilities and organizations to reach and meet our objectives. Our IPLAN was accepted and will be reviewed again in 2027.

While we are proud of the progress we have made this past year, we are also aware that there will always be much work to be done. We will continue to focus on improving access to care, promoting healthy lifestyles, and working in partnership with our community to provide care and services to the residents of Fayette County.

Thank you for your support and for entrusting us with your health and well-being.

Sincerely,



Kendra Craig, Administrator

Our mission: “To strengthen the health and well-being of our county through education, disease prevention and compassionate caregiving”

Board of Health Members

Joe Wills, President and County Board Liaison
Katie Hayes, Vice-President
Julie Aderman, Secretary
Dr. Glenn Skow, Medical Director
Pam Parrish
Kelli Blank
Joe Schaal
Tammy Sasse
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Julie Gordon

Leadership Team

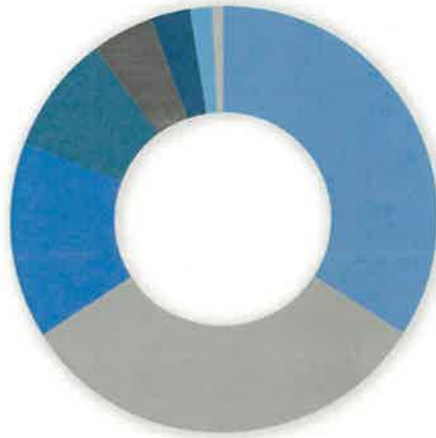
Kiley Depew, Director of Finance
Jenna Townsend, Director of Home Care
Jodi Smith, Director of Environmental Health
Allison Satterthwaite, Director of Public Health
Heather Jackson, Director of Maternal and Child Health



2023 FINANCIALS

*unaudited

REVENUE

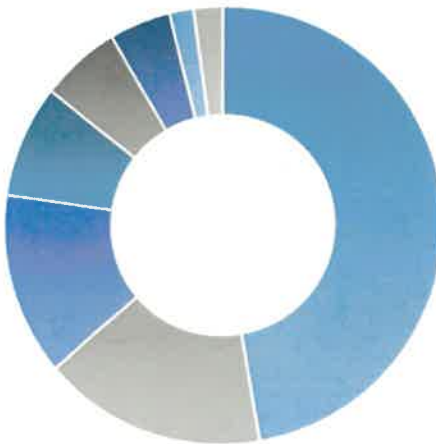


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| State Grants | \$ 1,013,760.28 |
| Medicaid/Medicare | \$ 945,611.89 |
| Federal Grants | \$ 443,392.72 |
| Insurance Billing | \$ 269,966.49 |
| Other* | \$ 140,517.98 |
| Fees for Service | \$ 84,741.15 |
| Local Taxes | \$ 48,867.05 |
| Environmental Fees | \$ 23,710.09 |

TOTAL 2023 REVENUE : \$2,970,567.65

**local grants, interest, contributions, memorials, transfers*

EXPENSES



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| Salaries | \$ 1,332,648.55 |
| Benefits | \$ 465,315.39 |
| Contractual Services | \$ 381,197.82 |
| Supplies | \$ 232,976.39 |
| Other* | \$ 169,423.87 |
| Maintenance | \$ 128,233.30 |
| Travel | \$ 57,866.15 |
| Utilities | \$ 49,359.32 |

TOTAL 2023 EXPENSES : \$2,817,020.79

**vaccines, dues, pass through, misc.*

Home Care

Home Health

The Fayette County Health Department Home Health has been providing care to Fayette County and neighboring counties for over 47 years. Home Health is a skilled service individualized to each patient's needs. Home Health allows a patient to recovery from an acute illness or manage chronic illness in the comfort of the patient's home. Home Health is a valuable alternative to long hospital stays or nursing home placement. Patient and family compliance and assistance enhances the care that Home Health can provide on an intermittent basis.

TOTAL PATIENTS SERVED **200**
TOTAL # OF HOME VISITS **4640**

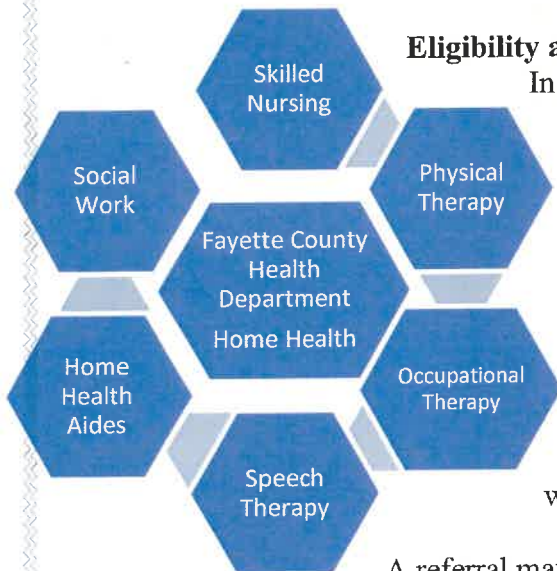
You Have a Choice!

When additional care is required after a hospital stay, many people are not aware they have a choice in who provides that care, or that they request an agency of their choice. As a county-based agency, we compete with agencies directly affiliated with hospitals and agencies operating for profit. We encourage you to choose wisely, based on proven quality from professional local staff.

Eligibility and Referrals:

In order to qualify for home health services under Medicare, patients must continuously meet the following criteria:

- Have a skilled need, such as nursing, physical therapy, occupational therapy or speech therapy.
- Follow up with a physician that can sign and manage Home Health orders.
- Be homebound as defined by Medicare regulations. (Absences from home should be infrequent and of short duration, but leaving your home for medical care is acceptable.)
- You must have a family member or caregiver able and willing to participate in your care if necessary.



A referral may be made by family, case managers, social workers, physicians, or patients themselves. Physician orders will be required prior to admission for Home Health services. Referrals may be made prior to entering a hospital for elective or anticipated treatment by calling the office at 618-283-7262.



Hospice

Our purpose is to enhance the quality of life for both patient and family when quantity of life cannot be extended. When a patient has been told that they have a terminal illness and curative treatment is no longer an option, a feeling of helplessness and hopelessness often threatens the family as well as the patient. Fayette County Health Department Hospice is committed to easing these burdens by addressing the individual physical, psychological and spiritual needs.

- Skilled Nurse Visits
- Hospice Bath Aides
- Medical Director Consultations
- On-Call Nurse 24/7

- Medications Related to Hospice Diagnosis
- Medical Equipment
- Authorized Inpatient Care

- Emotional & Spiritual Support
- Social Work
- Physical, Occupational, Speech Therapy
- Bereavement Mailing & Counseling

Hospice focuses on the patient's comfort level, allowing patients to make the most out of the time they have left. Emotional support for patient and family makes the process of grieving much more tolerable. Hospice offers choices and control over what happens to the family unit during this dying and bereavement journey.

Criteria: The patient must be certified with a terminal illness with a life expectancy of 6 months or less, if the disease runs its normal course. The patient, family, and doctor must agree that no more curative or diagnostic treatments will be done while under hospice care. The prognosis must be

documented by the physician's signature on a standard hospice physician's order form. Patient must have a primary caregiver who will be available 24 hours a day. They must be over 18 and must be able to arrange for 24/7 care.

TOTAL PATIENTS SERVED **42**
TOTAL # OF HOME VISITS **492**



Maternal and Child Health

Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Supplemental Food & Nutrition Program
Helps meet the nutritional needs of income-eligible women who are pregnant, breastfeeding and infants and children under 5 years old through health and nutrition assessments and education, food vouchers and breastfeeding support. Many working families and those who receive SNAP benefits also qualify for WIC services.

Active Clients
531 Monthly

Family Case Management
Assists income eligible pregnant women, infants and young children to obtain the healthcare services and other assistance they may need to have a healthy pregnancy and promote the child's healthy development. We continue to encourage pregnant women to seek our services early in their pregnancy.

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| Families Services | 254 Monthly |
| ASQ:SE | 334 |
| Edinburgh's | 284 |
| ASQ-3 | 483 |
| APORS Visits | 56 |
| Healthworks Clients | 74 Monthly |
| Fluoride Treatments | 111 |

Healthy Families of Illinois
HFI is a home visiting program that helps new and expectant parents strengthen their families' functioning and reduce their risk for child abuse and/or neglect. The program is a prevention program that works to improve the safety of children while providing support to the family. Home visitors help new moms and dads be better parenting by teaching them how babies grow and develop, how to keep babies safe and healthy and good parenting skills.

Families Served 63
Home Visits Completed 1218

Doula Services
Our Doula services is a fun, interactive, weekly home visiting program. The Doula's mission is to enhance your pregnancy with services such as comfort measures, birth wish list, breastfeeding, support games and ways to bond with your baby, belly casting, personal baby books made by the Doula's from maternity, birth, and baby pictures.

Families Served 39
Home Visits Completed 424

Genetics

Our Genetics program provides Genetic Evaluation and Genetic Counseling. FCHD holds a Genetic Clinic 4 times a year and is staffed by a medical geneticist, a genetic counselor and a nurse. They will obtain information about each member of your family, family photographs and medical records. The geneticist will examine and will determine if there is a possible genetic condition.

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| Clinics | 6 |
| Patients Seen | 15 |

Lead

The goals of the Lead Program is to provide assistance for testing, case management services, surveillance, education and outreach through training and community interventions.

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| Screenings | 162 |
| Active Lead Cases | 3 |

Breastfeeding Support

Our Breastfeeding peer counselors are moms who have who have breastfed and want to help other moms succeed in nursing their babies, too. They will answer your questions and share their own personal experiences, so that you can also have a successfully breastfeeding experience.

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| Contacts | 450 |
| Monthly Clients | 23 |



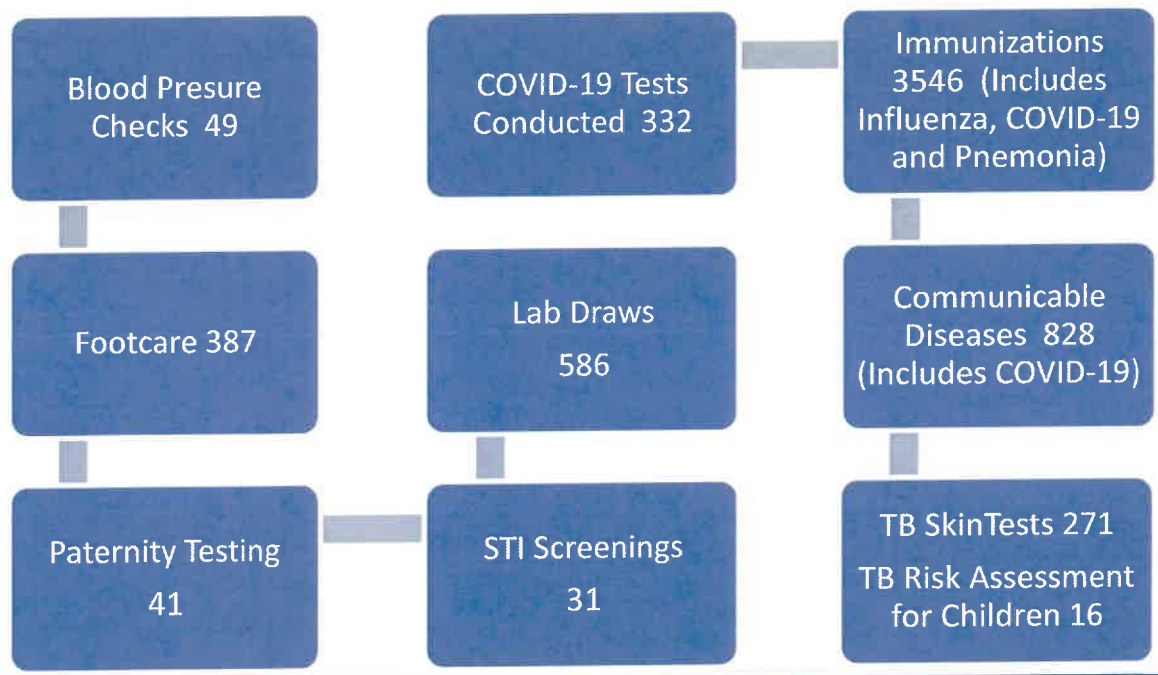
Public Health

Public health promotes and protects the health of people and the communities where they live, learn, work and play.

While a doctor treats people who are sick, those of us working in public health try to prevent people from getting sick or injured through education and promotion of our programs. We promote wellness by encouraging healthy behaviors. From conducting scientific research to educating about health, people in the field of public health work to assure the conditions in which people can be healthy. That can mean vaccinating children and adults to prevent the spread of disease, or educating people about the risks of alcohol and tobacco. Public health sets safety standards to protect workers and develops school nutrition programs to ensure kids have access to healthy food.

Public health works to track disease outbreaks, prevent injuries and shed light on why some of us are more likely to suffer from poor health than others. The many facets of public health include speaking out for laws that promote smoke-free indoor air and seatbelts, spreading the word about ways to stay healthy and giving science-based solutions to problems.

Public health saves money, improves our quality of life, helps children thrive and reduces human suffering



Environmental Health

Food Safety

The Division of Environmental Health permits and routinely inspects food service establishments to ensure compliance with the Illinois Food Code and the Fayette County Food Ordinance. Before a food service establishment can begin operations, they must obtain a Fayette County Food Service Establishment Operating Permit and pass a pre-opening inspection. Aside from establishment inspections, we strive to educate food service managers and operators on proper food safety practices and principles. Increasing food safety education is a great defense against food-borne illnesses.

| Food Safety | 2023 Total |
|-----------------------|------------|
| Permits Issues | 134 |
| Inspections | 170 |
| Follow-up Inspections | 29 |
| Pre-Openings | 15 |
| Complaints | 1 |
| Temporary Inspections | 29 |

Private Sewage Disposal

The Division of Environmental Health conducts plan reviews, permitting and final installation inspections for new and renovated private sewage disposal systems. Education and regulation concerning private sewage disposal systems help ensure proper human wastewater disposal. This limits exposure to pathogens and reduces negative environmental impacts.

| Private Sewage | 2023 Total |
|----------------|------------|
| Plan Approvals | 46 |
| Installations | 45 |
| Inspections | 42 |
| Complaints | 3 |

Tanning and Body Art

The Division of Environmental Health conducts inspections of tanning and body art facilities that are permitted by the Illinois Department of Public Health. We strive to ensure our citizens are provided clean and safe facilities when seeking services.

| Tanning / Body Art | 2023 Total |
|-----------------------|------------|
| Inspections | 6 |
| Follow-up Inspections | 0 |
| Complaints | 0 |

Potable Drinking Water

The Division of Environmental Health conducts plan reviews, permitting and final installation inspections for new and modified private water wells and closed loop wells. We also collect and ship private water samples for bacteria testing. We strive to help citizens ensure they have a safe potable water supply.

| Potable Water | 2023 Total |
|-----------------------------|------------|
| Wells Permitted | 8 |
| Wells Constructed | 6 |
| Inspections | 5 |
| Complaints | 0 |
| Private Water Samples | 77 |
| Non-Community Water Samples | 0 |
| Sealed Wells | 3 |

Vector

The Division of Environmental Health works to educate the public about vector borne diseases and ways to reduce the risk of exposure. FCHD conducts surveillance for West Nile Virus by testing mosquitoes and dead birds for the disease. We also perform tick drags to collect ticks to test for diseases that may be present.

| Vector | 2023 Total |
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| Bird Submissions | 3 |
| -No. of Positive Birds | 1 |
| Mosquito Batches Testing | 47 |
| -No. of Positive Mosquito Batches | 6 |
| Tick Drags | 2 |

Tobacco – Smoke Free Illinois

The Smoke-Free Illinois Act is (SFIA) a state law which protects residents, workers, and visitors from the harmful effects of exposure to secondhand tobacco smoke and e-cigarette vapor by prohibiting smoking of all forms of combustible tobacco, including cigarettes, cigars, and hookah, and e-cigarettes, vapes, and any other electronic smoking device, in public places and places of employment. FCHD provides education to schools, restaurants and businesses in Fayette County.

| Education in Fayette County Schools | Restaurant and Business Compliance Checks |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| Brownstown and Ramsey School District | 365 |



May 11, 2023 - End of State COVID-19 Disaster Proclamation



Governor JB Pritzker announced the state's public health emergency will end on May 11, 2023, aligning the state with the federal government's decision to end the national public health emergency. Ensuring Illinois' and the federal government's health emergencies were linked brought in additional federal funding and expanded healthcare access for residents across the state. FCHD Staff had a celebration on their success on providing the best care to the residents of Fayette County during COVID-19.