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ANNUAL REPORT

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Dear Fayette County Residents,

The Fayette County Health Department (FCHD) is pleased to present this report highlighting the work our agency provides to its residents. As always, we are continually looking for ways to improve our methods, programs and services and 2024 was no different.

Our programs goals and successes will be detailed throughout this report. The FCHD team continued to focus on performance management and quality improvement, with the goal of ensuring that the public health services provided to those who live and work and in Fayette County are aligned with our state approved IPLAN and best practices. They have excelled this year in both sustaining existing service and improving and enhancing our programs. We have worked with local school districts, physicians, community organizations and hospitals to provide education and services. Our county, regional and state affiliations have let us continue to provide services for your health and the health of all in our community.

I would like to thank our Board of Health for all their support and to the Fayette County Board for all they do support our agency. Of course, I would like to thank all of our dedicated loyal staff for all you do every day. Our department is critical to this community and to this county. What you do daily truly makes a difference in our community.

Let's have an amazing 2025 filled with successes and collaborations to make us the best health department for our clients, patients and staff.

Sincerely,

Kendra Craig



Kendra Craig, Administrator

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

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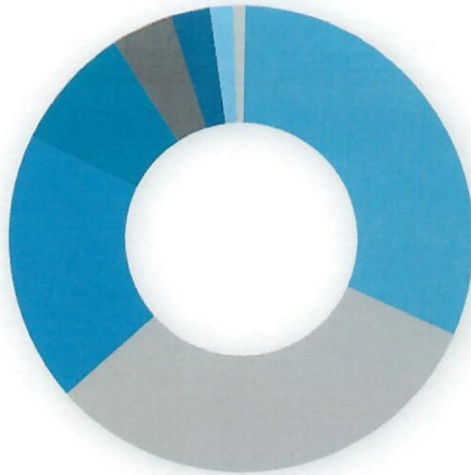
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2024 FINANCIALS

*unaudited

REVENUE

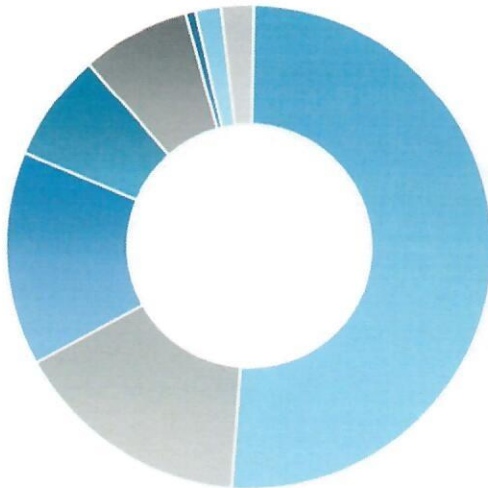


State Grants	\$ 931,394.56
Medicaid/Medicare	\$ 944,456.88
Federal Grants	\$ 555,406.97
Insurance Billing	\$ 255,363.96
Other*	\$ 126,158.46
Fees for Service	\$ 80,734.57
Local Taxes	\$ 48,535.94
Environmental Fees	\$ 23,978.34

TOTAL 2024 REVENUE : \$2,966,029.68

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

EXPENSES



Salaries	\$ 1,361,758.79
Benefits	\$ 422,425.47
Contractual Services	\$ 382,861.02
Supplies	\$ 194,275.36
Other*	\$ 193,244.96
Maintenance	\$ 17,591.91
Travel	\$ 56,880.24
Utilities	\$ 45,750.39

TOTAL 2024 EXPENSES : \$2,674,788.14

**vaccines, dues, passthrough, misc.*

HOME CARE

Home Health

The Fayette County Health Department Home Health has been providing care to Fayette County and neighboring counties for over 48 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.

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 37
TOTAL # OF HOME VISITS 551



MATERNAL CHILD HEALTH

Women, Infants and Children(WIC)

- WIC is a federally funded, supplemental food program that provides nutrition information and food benefits to help mothers, infants, and children get the nutrients they need for proper growth and development.
- Active Clients: 543 Average Monthly

Breastfeeding Peer Counselor

- 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.
- Contacts: 296
- Active Clients: 27 Average 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.
- Assist income-eligible pregnant women, infants, and young children in obtaining
- Families Served: 297 Average Monthly
- ASQ;SE/ASQ-3: 1281 Depression Screenings: 289
- APORS Visits: 77
- Fluoride Treatments: 229

Healthworks of Illinois

- Healthworks is a collaborative effort with the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services to provide comprehensive health services for children in the custody of the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services.
- Active Clients: 70 Monthly Average

Genetics Education & Follow Up

- Our Genetics program provides Genetic Evaluation and Genetic Counseling. The clinic 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.
- Clincs Held: 2
- Patients Seen: 9

Lead Poisoning Prevention & Response

- We continue to assist with the lead prevention by screening all high-risk patients and any community members requesting this testing. Lead testing is required for many school and daycare applications. Staff provides case management encompassing a variety of contacts with follow-up testing, home visits, interventions, evidence based resources and educational conversations
- Screenings: 241
- Active Lead Cases: 6

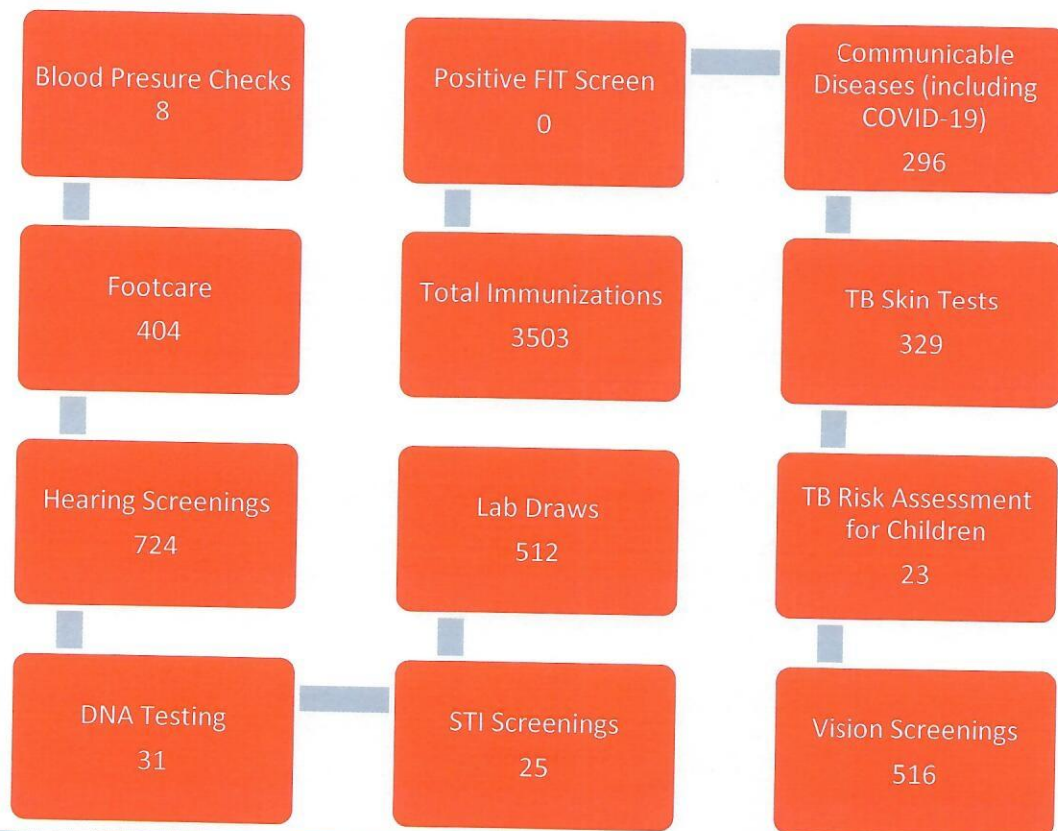
PUBLIC HEALTH

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.

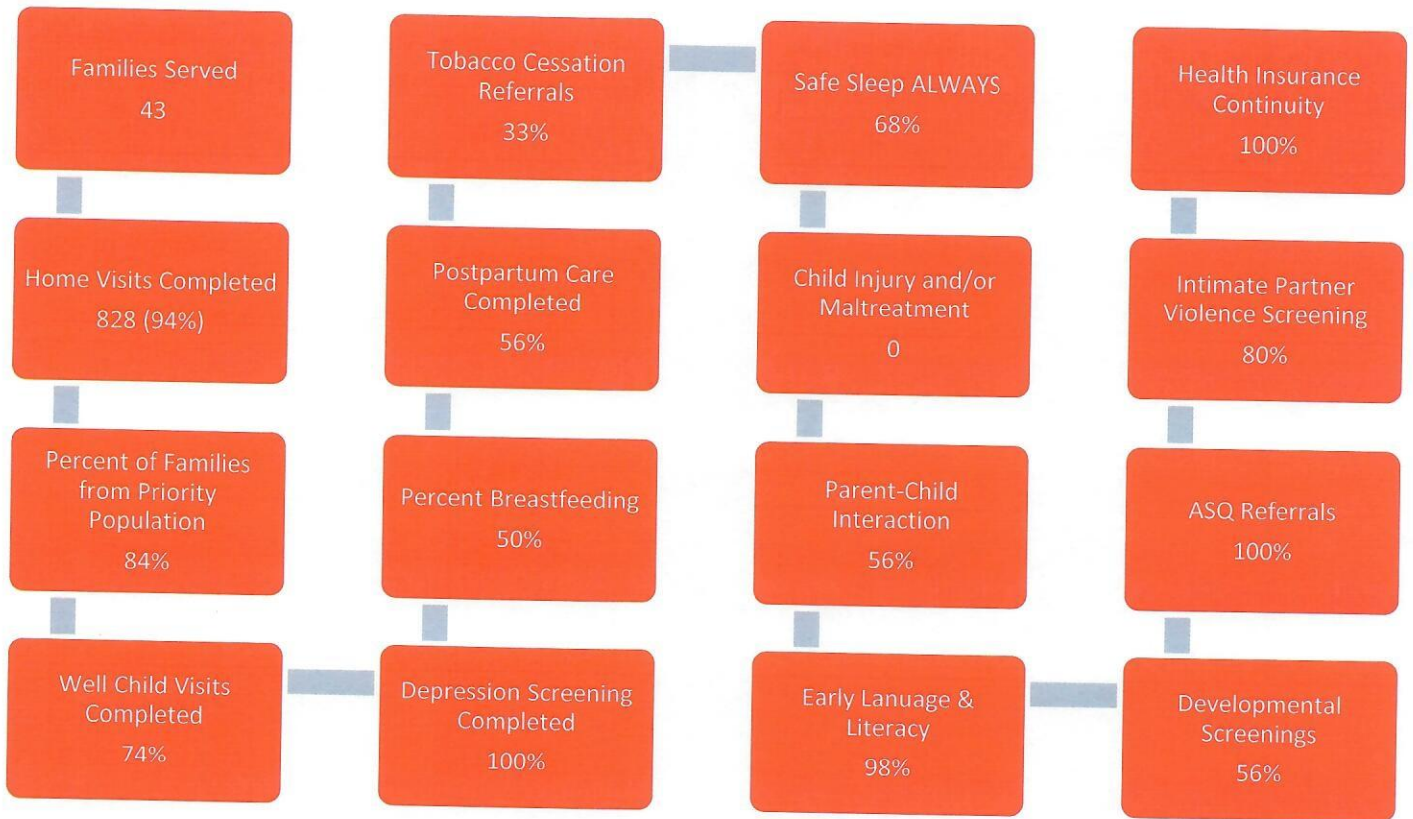
Public health saves money, improves our quality of life, helps children thrive and reduces human suffering



HOME VISITING PROGRAMS

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.



Doula Services

Our Doula services are 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.



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.

2024 Total	
Food Safety	
Permits Issued	133
Inspections	99
Follow-up Inspections	15
Pre-Openings	7
Complaints	4
Temporary Inspections	20

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.

2024 Total	
Private Sewage	
Plan Approvals	44
Installations	39
Inspections	35
Complaints	0

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.

2024 Total	
Tanning / Body Art	
Inspections	7
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.

2024 Total	
Potable Water	
Wells Permitted	11
Wells Constructed	11
Inspections	10
Complaints	0
Private Water Samples	90
Sealed Wells	2

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.

	2024 Total
Vector	
Bird Submissions	1
-No. of Positive Birds	0
Mosquito Batches Tested	46
-No. of Positive Mosquito Ba	1
Tick Drags	6

Tobacco – Smoke Free Illinois

The Smoke-Free Illinois Act is (SFIA) 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	94

