Grant Funded Programs
Bringing state and federal dollars to Athens County to improve our community public health status.

Dental Sealant Grant - $52,250 from the Ohio Department of Health. The program allows us to provide dental screenings, application of sealants to healthy teeth, and provide dental referrals to elementary and middle schools in Athens, Meigs and Hocking County. Grades 2 & 6: 1106 Students examined, 3308 teeth sealed, 304 referrals for additional dental care. Grades 3 & 7: 956 Students examined, 1320 Teeth sealed, 234 referrals for additional dental care.

Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) - $77,524 from Ohio Department of Health & CDC. The PHEP program provided funding for advanced emergency and preparedness planning, training, equipment and regional coordination. Since 2002, PHEP grant funding enhances our capacity and accountability in emergency planning and response. We are better prepared to prevent disease and injury and maintain public health within the community.

The Creating Healthy Communities (CHC) grant - $105,000 from CDC. CHC programs increase access to healthy food and opportunities for physical activity, and eliminate tobacco use in school, worksites, and the community. Health Department staff work with many partners through the Creating Healthy Communities Coalition to establish policies, systems and environment changes to make the healthy choice the easy choice in Athens County.

Communities Preventing Chronic Disease (CPCD) - $400,000 from CDC to address the link between health care and community lifestyle support to prevent diabetes and control hypertension in Athens and Washington Counties. Staff work with partners to increase patient referral to community programs and engage Community Health Workers. CPCD staff assisted with the development of active transportation policies, healthy food and beverage policies, and healthy food access. This grant cycle ended 9/30/18.

Marshall University POWER Grant for CHWs - $34,000. Community Health Workers receive referrals from local health care providers for patients with high risk diabetes. CHWs health patients with access to healthy food and finding enjoyable physical activity. CHWs also work with patients to access adequate health care through transportation help, affordable medication, lifestyle change classes and more.

ODH Maternal and Child Health Grant - $78,500 to strengthen worksite policies to support preconception health. This funding also provides support for training and policy development with child care centers to establish policies that encourage healthy eating and physical activity. This grant project began on 10/1/18.

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VITAL STATISTICS

Births Registered ........................................ 643
Deaths Registered ........................................ 383
Fetal Deaths Registered ................................. 4
Certificates of Service ................................... 9
Certified Copies of Birth & Death Certificates
Issued .......................................................... 3620
Burial Permits Issued ...................................... 320
Burial Permits Issued- O.U. Heritage College of
Osteopathic Medicine .................................... 102

Causes of Death
Accidental ..................................................... 10
Adult Failure to Thrive ................................. 4
Age Related Multisystem Organ Failure .......... 45
Asphyxiation ................................................ 2
Blood Loss Shock .......................................... 1
Cancer ......................................................... 66
Congenital Defects ........................................ 1
Dementia, Alzheimer’s ............................... 18
Dementia, Unspecified .............................. 5
Encephalopathy .......................................... 3
Gastrointestinal Bleeding .......................... 2
Heart/Vascular Disease ............................... 115
Hemorrhage/Transfusion Reaction .............. 1
Homicide ..................................................... 2
Infection ....................................................... 12
Kidney Disease .......................................... 5
Liver Disease ............................................. 5
Metabolic Disorder ..................................... 4
Multiple Sclerosis ....................................... 1
Multisystem Organ Failure ....................... 2
Overdose .................................................... 5
Parkinson’s disease .................................. 2
Pending ....................................................... 3
Pneumonia .................................................. 5
Renal Failure .............................................. 8
Respiratory Illness ..................................... 47
Suicide .................................................... 9

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

Sewage & Water
Sewage Disposal Field Inspections ............ 340
Sewage Inspection (refinancing/selling) .... 230
Sewage Installations Completed .............. 79
Operational Sewage Inspections ............. 143
Water Samples Collected ......................... 21

Food Protection
Temporary Food Service Inspections .......... 55
Food Service Inspections ......................... 786
Vending Machine Inspections .................. 11
Mobile Food Service Inspections ............ 61
Plan Reviews ............................................ 24

Rabies Control Program/Animal Bite Investigations
Dogs ......................................................... 113
Cats ......................................................... 36
Bats ......................................................... 14
Other ....................................................... 6
Specimens Submitted to State Lab .......... 13

Solid Waste Program
“Amnesty Scrap Tires” Removed ............... 5000
“Orphan Scrap Tires” Removed ............... 700
Roadside litter removed (Coalition) ...... 9 Tons
Open Dumping investigations .............. 34
Landfill/Compost Inspections ............. 22

License & Permits Issued
Septage Haulers/Trucks ......................... 11/23
Sewage System Installer Registrations .... 19
Sewage Services Provided ....................... 7
Sewage Disposal Installation Permits ....... 79
Water Well Permit .................................. 9
Food Service License .............................. 429
Camp License ......................................... 12
Public Swimming Pool License .......... 28
Landfill License/CDD Licenses ............ 2

Miscellaneous Inspections
School Inspections .................................. 44
Manufactured Home Park Inspections .... 22
Camp Inspections ................................... 14
Swimming Pool Inspections .................. 85
Housing Inspections ............................... 34
Nuisance Inspections .............................. 57
Lot Split/Subdivision Reviews ............. 16
Body Art Establishments ........................ 3
Mosquito/Bug Submitted ....................... 5254
Mosquito Species Identified ............... 22

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING

BCMH Families Served ......................... 147
Project DAWN Trainings ....................... 182
Harm Reduction Clinic Visits .............. 1633
Welcome Home Baby Visits .............. 31

Crib for Kids ............................................. 58
Safe Sleep Education Visits ................. 282

Nationwide Children’s Specialty Clinics

Families & Children Served

Genetics ................................................. 44

Immunization Program
*Hep A, Hep B, MMR, Men B, Meningococcal,
Pneumovax, Prevnar13, Td & Tdap, Varicella,
DTap, Hib, HPV, Polio, Rotavirus,

Adult
Influenza ............................................... 1458
Immunizations ....................................... 1376

Childhood
Influenza ............................................... 468
Immunizations ....................................... 1468

Total Immunizations Given ............. 4770

TB Program
TB skin tests performed ...................... 733
T-Spots ................................................. 89

Communicable Diseases Report
Campylobacteriosis ................................ 16
Chlamydia Infection ............................... 452
E. coli, Shiga Toxin-Producing .............. 2
Giardiasis .............................................. 5
Gonococcal Infection ............................. 55
Haemophilus Influenzae ......................... 2
Hepatitis A ............................................. 18
Hepatitis B (including delta) acute ......... 5
Hepatitis B (including delta) chronic .... 19
Hepatitis C - acute ................................. 8
Hepatitis C – chronic ............................ 98
Influenza – associated hospitalization .... 67
Legionnaires’ disease ......................... 1
Malaria ................................................. 1
Meningitis – aseptic/viral ..................... 1
Meningitis – bacterial ......................... 2
Pertussis .............................................. 3
Salmonellosis ....................................... 6
Streptococcal – Group A – invasive ........ 1
Streptococcus pneumonia – invasive .... 11
Tuberculosis .......................................... 1
Varicella .............................................. 5