

KENTON-HARDIN HEALTH DEPARTMENT





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2014 Annual Report

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A message from your Health Commissioner

This past year, 2014 was a very productive year for the Kenton-Hardin Health Department. Our nursing division has made many efforts to educate and immunize our community. We held a flu clinic in the fall at the Ada Harvest and Herb Festival and have promoted several informational clinics in response to blood pressure screenings and child immunizations. Our department strives to meet the health care needs of the residents of Hardin County.

It is our mission to maintain an efficient system which will provide the highest quality of public health services. We strive to promote and protect the community's physical, mental, social and environmental well being on a very limited budget and staff.

Our environmental health division constantly strives to both educate and enforce the state laws and codes in the areas of environmental health.

On behalf of the staff and the Board of Health, I express my appreciation to the townships and municipalities for their past and anticipated continued support.

Kalyan Das, MD

Health Commissioner

MISSION STATEMENT

OF THE

KENTON-HARDIN HEALTH DEPARTMENT

We, the Kenton-Hardin Health Department believe that it is our mission to develop and maintain an efficient system which will provide for the highest quality of public health service practicable, and to promote and protect, in varying degrees, the community's physical, mental, social, and environmental well-being.

The Board of Health administration will work to promote an organization within which all are encouraged to work cooperatively to fulfill this mission.

By working toward fulfillment of its mission, the health department is striving to enable every citizen the opportunity to realize health and longevity.

Health Department Staff

Health Commissioner

Kalyan Das, MD

Director of Nursing Registered Nurse Registered Nurse/Health Educator Cindy Keller, RN,MSN Shannon Plott, RN Mindy Hensel, RN,BSN

Environmental Director Sanitarian Sanitarian in training

Shane Lotts, RS Gary Shields, RS **Derek Dunson**

Registrar/Environmental Clerk Fiscal Officer/Medical Billing Clerk

Jackie Prater Christine Lawrence, CBCS Ashlie Hall

Emergency Preparedness Coordinator

Arin Tracy Turcina McNeilly, MPH

CDC Fellow

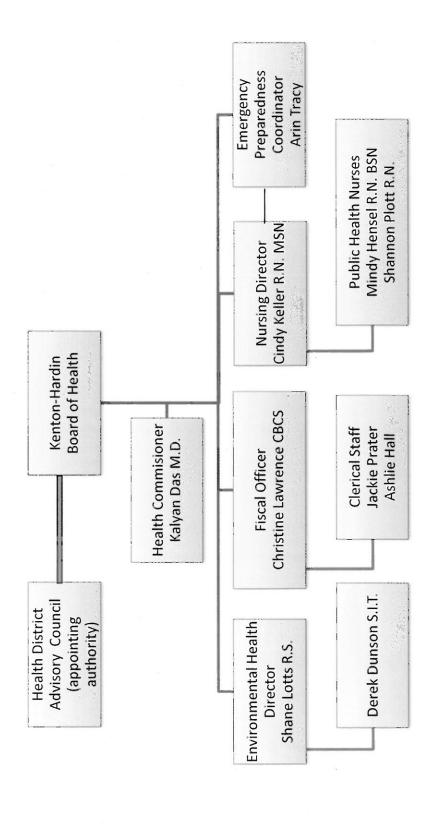
BOARD OF HEALTH

The Board of Health is the governing body of the Kenton-Hardin General Health District and consists of eight members who are appointed for seven year terms. Four county board members are selected by the District Advisory Council. The three city board members are selected by the Mayor of the City of Kenton, with the approval of Kenton City Council. At least one member of the board must be a physician. The Hardin County Environmental Board, consisting of five members selects one member and one alternate to additionally serve on the Board of Health. This Board governs environmental fees set by the Board. The Health Commissioner is appointed by the Board and serves as the executive officer and secretary of the board.

The Board meets regularly on the fourth Tuesday of each month at the Health Department office. Special meetings are held as deemed necessary. All meetings are open to the public.

BOARD MEMBER		TERM EXPIRES
Corey Scarbrough	County	2018
Mark Rush	City	2015
Robert Wood	County	2021
Jeryl Kissling	City	2017
Larry Oates, M.D.	County	2019
Terry Kaiser	County	2016
Roger Crates	Environmental	2018

Kenton Hardin Health Department Organizational Chart



VITAL STATISTICS

Certified copies of Birth Certificates are legal documents used for proof of age and identification. Citizens of the United States are required to produce them for schools, employment, passports, and many other uses. Certified copies of Death Certificates are also legal documents used for proof of death in probating estates and other uses.

Certified copies issued for the year of 2014 were, 925 birth certificates and 665 death certificates for a total of 1,590. Veteran's families are given one free copy of a certificate used in filing for benefits. Job and Family Services Department requires verification of births for all clients. This office does birth and death verifications for the Armed Forces, Social Security, and Workman's compensation. Government copies are stamped for "government use only". Home births (or any born at Hardin Memorial) are required to bring paperwork into the office within the required 10 days after the birth.

There were 35 births and 202 deaths registered in 2014.

2014 LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH IN HARDIN COUNTY

Heart	66
Cancer	53
Arteriosclerosis	12
Senile Dementia / Alzheimer's	9
Coronary Artery Disease	7
C.O.P.D.	7
Pneumonia	6
Respiratory	5
Stroke	5
Renal Failure	5
Suicide	5
Diabetes	4
Other Accidents	4
Auto Accidents	3
Instantaneous Death; Sudden Death	3
Pending	2
Liver Related	2
Parkinsons	2
C.V.A	1
Septicemia	1

Public Health Nursing Report

The 2014 year has once again seen changes and improvements within the Kenton Hardin Health Department. Implementation of Electronic Health Records was initiated in the last half of 2013. Kenton Hardin Health Department nursing services went live with Electronic client records in July of 2014. After fixing a few minor bugs, we are running clinics smoothly, with shorter client wait times and are able to process multiple forms of service payments, including Medicaid, Medicare, private insurance and credit card transactions.

Flu season is always very challenging, but again this year we were able to offer several options in regards to flu vaccine. We provided flu vaccine to approximately 1000 families living in our community. Flu vaccine was given at our satellite clinics held in various locations around the county and at a Walk Thru clinic held at the Ada Herb Festival. Our Drive Thru clinic was held this year in the parking garage located under the Courthouse Annex building, which houses our offices.

The importance of preventing diseases through immunizations is stressed by holding satellite clinics around the county allowing access to vaccines for compliance. We continue to explore opportunities to increase access to immunizations. This year we utilized our Emergency Response mobile trailer and coordinated a special clinic that allowed middle school students to get 7th grade school immunizations at a convenient location on the day they picked up schedules. We collaborate with hospitals and laboratories to reduce disease transmission. The disease reports are entered into the Ohio Disease Reporting System (ODRS) as mandated by the Ohio Revised Code, helping to monitor the incidence and prevalence of disease.

This year Kenton Hardin Health Department experienced several disease outbreak investigations. Although no incidence of Measles were reported in Hardin County, we did work diligently to educate and inform our community on prevention and provided additional MMR vaccines to many adults and children. We also experienced a suspect Chickenpox outbreak that involved numerous reports of children in our county. Nurses worked closely with our regional Epidemiologist and following a lengthy investigation it was determined that there were no confirmed cases of chickenpox. In addition, Kenton Hardin Health Department staff spent many, many hours in regards to the Ebola planning and monitoring efforts, as did the entire state of Ohio.

Lead and Hemoglobin screens are done in our Healthy Child Clinics, Head Start and by private orders by area physicians. Just under 100 Lead and Hemoglobin tests screens were conducted this year.

The child Safety Seat Program which is funded by the Ohio Department of Health and the Community Foundation is held for WIC eligible clients. Safety seats are given for a minimal donation after the Parent/guardian completes an educational video and instructions on the correct installation and use of the child safety seat. In addition there were two Child Passenger safety checks conducted this year.

Kenton Hardin Health Department continues to be a provider for the Help Me Grow Home Visiting program. Our nurses provide free home visits, parenting information and developmental screens. This year we have served 27 families with continuous visits, with many more families that were provided services for a short period of time. The Home Visiting program provides free

services to first time parents from the prenatal period through 3 years of age. In addition, the Health Department serves as the Central Contact and Coordination for Hardin County Help Me Grow programs.

The Dental Council, supported by funds from United Way and in collaboration with Hardin County Crippled Children's and Adults has assisted 11 children and 5 adults with emergency or preventative dental care.

Kenton Hardin Health Department nurses assist with county and city schools with Kindergarten screenings by providing hearing and vision screens. Three additional developmental screens were conducted in collaboration with the Help Me Grow programs for Hardin county children.

Kenton Hardin Health Department continues to provide well child checks and physicals at our self-supporting Healthy Child Clinic. In the past this was a grant funded clinic, but due to decreased use the community grant funds were no longer accessible. The clinic is by appointment only and serves ages 0-21 years of age. If additional health needs are identified, referral will be made to access and establish a medical home, dental or vision care as needed.

Bureau for Children with Medical Handicaps continues to serve families with children with special medical needs. This year we served between 80 to 90 families with application process, referral for care and various other needs.

Hardin County Family Planning, which became a Health Department clinic in 2010 has provided services addressing women's health needs for over 30 years. With a great amount of work and diligence, we have made this once grant funded clinic into a successful self-sustaining clinic. We have continued to serve approximately 1000 clients with high quality women's health care. Services are provided by appointment with usually no longer than a 2 week waiting period in most cases.

The Health Department nurses provide free blood pressure checks at the health department, as well as, locations around the county. You will find us on the second Friday of each month at the Plaza Inn in Mt. Victory and the 4th Friday you will find us at Pfeiffer station and Dunkirk Library.

There is much cooperation from the community as space is provided by the churches, schools, fire departments, community buildings, county libraries and Council on Aging for our immunization clinics. We appreciate all the support and assistance given.

The support and cooperation of the District Advisory Council, Board of Health and community is greatly appreciated.

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Cindy Keller RN, MSN

Director of Nursing

Accreditation Activities

Health Department's across the nation are working to provide services following a set standard of care. Although, there is nothing new about core functions and essential services provided by health departments, there is now a requirement to move toward becoming an Accredited Public Health Department. What this means to the community is that all Health Department's across the nation will provide services and care based on a set standard. This is the same concept as the Standard of Care you expect to receive from hospitals which are accredited. Within the state of Ohio, the mandate is to be Accreditation ready by 2018, with Accreditation achieved 2020.

Kenton Hardin Health Department has been working and planning for the past two years to meet this mandate.

In the 2014 year, Kenton Hardin Health Department worked and collaborated with Community Partners to see the first Comprehensive Community Health Assessment conducted. A Community Health Assessment Advisory Committee was formed. This committee was responsible to determine the process, structure and funding of a community health assessment. This work led to a successful partnership with the Hospital Foundation of Northwest Ohio, one of the top recognized community assessment programs in the nation. To meet standards this process will be repeated every three to five years. The next steps include a Health Department Strategic Plan, followed by a Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP). The CHIP will be a collaborative effort with strategic stakeholders working together to address community needs.

Kenton Hardin Health Department will continue to work diligently to meet the 2018 Accreditation Ready deadline. What this means is much staff education, planning and organizing to improve our structure and services. Kenton Hardin Health Department will be working to meet the 12 Standards and Measures of Public Health Service. If you would like more information on this process or to see what the Standards and Measure of Public Health for Accreditation involves you can visit http://www.phaboard.org, or Google Public Health Accreditation Board.

Thank You,

Kenton Hardin Health Department Staff Health Commissioner Board of Health

CLINICS

Immunization Clinics are held at the Health Department every Thursday from 8:30 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. and 12:30 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. Immunizations are done by appointments, but nurses will do walk-ins if time allows.

SATELLITE CLINICS

Forest; Second Wednesday each month at the Fire Department from 9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Dunkirk; Second Wednesday each month at the EMS building from 1:30 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Ada; Third Tuesday each month at the First Presbyterian Church from 9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.

Immunizations are given following the recommendations of the State and ACIP (Immunization Practice Advisory Committee)

The following vaccines were given in 2014 To Children and Adults

I. G	050
Influenza	950
TDAP	378
HIB	342
MMR	334
Prevnar	328
Pediarix	315
Varicella	216
Kinrix	184
Meningococcal	171
HPV	148
Rotavirus	145
HEP B	138
HEP A	127
DTAP/Infanrix	94
Pneumonia	88
TB Tests	64
Twinrix	30
(Adult)	
Polio	18
Tetanus	11
Typhoid	10
Total	4,086

Blood Pressure Clinics

Blood pressures are checked at the Health Department every **Friday** from 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. The **second Monday** of each month, blood pressures are taken at the **Council of Aging.**

Friday blood pressure clinics are as follows;

2 nd Friday	Mt. Victory Plaza Inn	9:00 A.M 11:00 A.M.
4 th Friday	Pfeiffer Station	10:00 A.M 11:45 A.M.
4 th Friday	Dunkirk Library	12:30 P.M 2:30 P.M.

Communicable Disease

An important role of the public health nurse is the control of communicable disease through immunizations, investigations and education.

Chlamydia			73
Hepatitis C			60
Influenza (hospital associated)	-		19
Varicella	= = =		19
Campylobacteriosis			11
Gonorrhea		*	11
Hepatitis B (non perinatal)			11
Hepatitis A		= 40	3
Shigellosis			3
Cryptosporidiosis'			2
Pertussis			2
Mycobacterial disease			2
Streptococcus pneumonia			2
Yersiniosis			2
E.coli (0157:H7)			1
Haemophilus Influenzae			1
Streptococcal Group A			1
Total			225

Children with Medical Handicaps Program

Our public health nurses provide services for the Ohio Department of Health's Children with Medical Handicaps Program (BCMH). This program links families of children from ages 0-21 with special health care needs to a network of quality providers and helps families obtain payment for the services their child needs.

According to the Ohio Revised Code, the Board of County Commissioners of each county annually appropriate an amount equal to one tenth of one mill of the county's total general property tax duplicate for the Children with Medical Handicaps Program. The BCMH program also receives Federal and State funds. The State and county funds are used for treatment services for eligible medically handicapped children. Some State funds are used for diagnostic services.

Some of the eligible conditions include: hemophilia, cerebral palsy, cystic fibrosis, diabetes, cancer, congenital heart disease, scoliosis, cleft lip and palate, severe vision disorders, hearing loss, epilepsy, and spina bifida.

The nurses assist families in accessing medical and other health related services through home visits and phone contacts with families and providers. The program identifies gaps in service and provides linkage and coordination of such services as well as equipment and supplies to those families that meet financial and program eligibility requirements. The nurses advocate a philosophy of comprehensive planning of health care utilization for BCMH eligible children. This program currently serves 81 children with active cases in Hardin County.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH REPORT

The Environmental Health Department is looking forward to working with the public, township trustees, and other county officials in 2015. There are new regulations that require stricter enforcement by the environmental health division regarding, food service operations, retail food establishments, mobile home parks, sewage and water. Public health education and inspection frequency have been implemented to meet these requirements in accordance with the regulations.

The Health Department continues to monitor and improve Disaster Preparedness and Bioterrorism. This goal is accomplished by working with the Ohio Department of Health and the Union County health department regarding the Infrastructure Grant.

MISSION

The goal of the Environmental Health Department is to prevent human disease and injury. This mission is achieved by regulating and controlling general environmental conditions that can impact public health.

The services provided by environmental health division can be grouped into three categories.

Public Health Education

Public health education is working with the public and other governmental bodies on ways to eliminate Public Health situations that may affect themselves or their neighbors, as well as Re-licensing of sewage installers and classes on food safety.

Consultation

Consultation provides advice to the public regarding safe water supply, sewage disposal, safe food preparation and storage.

Opening a food service or retail food service operation and licensing Plan review/design for sewage disposal systems and food service operations.

Regulation

Regulation is issuing permits and licenses through the local health department to city and county operations that meet ORC & OAC regulations per the Ohio Department of Health, Ohio Department of Agriculture and Ohio EPA.

SUMMARY

The Sanitarians are committed to serving the public, through the application of scientific knowledge and experience to identify threats to public health and protection of the citizens of Hardin County.

Shane Lotts,

Environmental Director

Environmental Report 2014

Food Service/Retail Food Licenses Issued	131
Food Service/Retail Food Inspections	353
Food Plan Reviews	3
Food Mobile Licenses Issued	10
Food Mobile Inspections	10
Food Vending Licenses Issued	20
Food Vending Inspections	26
Food Temporary Licenses Issued	35
Food Temporary Inspections	35
Food Services (New)	3
Food Service Transfered to a New Owner	7
Food Services (Closed)	6
Manufactured Home Park Inspections	10
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Campground Park Licenses	2
Campground Park Inspections	2
Campground Temporary Licnses	0
Campground Temporary Inspections	0
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Swimming Pool Licenses	6
Swimming Pool Inspections	9
Well Permits Issued	27
Water Samples Taken	86
Sewage Permits Issued	28
Site Inpections	33
Final Inspections	20
Sewage Inspections (Real Estate Sales)	7
Liquid Waste Haulers Licensed	7
Installers Licensed	19
Nuisance Inspections	174 (Shane 109) (Gary 55) (Derek 10)
Nuisance Return Investigations	465 (Shane 185) (Gary 260) (Derek 20)
Animal Bites Reported	
	1/17
	47
Rabies Testing	5

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Mainstay

The Division of Emergency Preparedness within the Kenton-Hardin Health Department (KHHD) continues under the Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) Program, grant funding made possible through Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and the Ohio Department of Health (ODH). KHHD sustains regional and state collaboration with ODH, the Central Ohio Regional Public Health (CORPH) workgroup; locally with community partners, Law enforcement, EMA, local first responding agencies, Hardin Memorial Hospital, Ohio Northern University, Hardin County IT and GIS, and volunteer organizations such as the Hardin County American Red Cross, Medical Reserve Corps, Hardin County Lions Club, and Hardin County Amateur Radio Club.

Notes

Budget. 2014 funding has allowed the Division to sustain items as: MARCS radios for interoperable communications between local, county & state agencies and partners; Health Department Website; Travel to trainings & exercises for staff; Equipment maintenance for technological backup capabilities; Maintenance & maintaining the Emergency Response trailer; Medical supplies, Emergency supplies, Emergency phone services; Annual Mass Vaccination Clinical Exercises, and a Department PIO.

Exercises & Activities. Emergency response is tested through Public Health Preparedness Capabilities. The Department utilizes emergency plans and reports findings to the Ohio Department of Health. KHHD is able to exercise such items as community preparedness, responder safety, volunteer management and the ability to mass prophylax the community. Additionally, KHHD has the opportunity to train and exercise at a regional level. Some opportunities include: Regional EOC Exercise with Franklin County EMA & Homeland Security, COTS & Hardin Memorial Hospital Central Ohio exercises, and county/regional Anthrax Exercises. Activities include meetings with law enforcement, fire and hospital for medical countermeasures; Ohio Northern University Pharmacy presentation on Emergency Preparedness; After school emergency preparedness activities for school age children, Health fair & Senior Day, Hardin County Shelter inspections, and safety drills for the building.



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Medical Countermeasures. The Kenton-Hardin Health Department was able to test emergency response with real world events such as Measles and Ebola during calendar year 2014. During the Ebola response, KHHD worked closely with community partners and first responding agencies, as well as state and federal agencies. KHHD was able to facilitate meetings, provide media releases, and conduct trainings on community containment plans, responder safety, waste management and personal protective equipment. KHHD was able to procure personal protective equipment for staff activation.

Equipment Procurement. KHHD was able to procure and install bullet resistant windows and momentary Hold Up switch for the Health Department, Environmental Health department camera and Go Kit supplies, an AED unit & case, portable water supply for the emergency response trailer, portable emergency carts, multiple power strips for 2-way radios, emergency laptops for POD site activations, IPads for mass vaccination emergency operations, NOAA weather radio base and portables, training & exercise supplies, and items to medical stock for POD site activation.

The Kenton-Hardin Health Department is committed to the ongoing development of Public Health Infrastructure in Hardin County, with the support from the Ohio Department of Health and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Arin M. Tracy

Coordinator, Emergency Preparedness KHHD Division of Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, Medical Reserve Corps Hardin County

2014 Financial Report

Carryover		-		\$68,248.46
		Receipts		
Gene	ral Fund			
	Towns/Townships	\$ 163,000.00		
	City of Kenton	\$ 81,500.00		
	State Funds	\$ 57,304.19		
	Vital Statistics	\$ 46,547.08		
	Help Me Grow	\$ 9,029.19	2	
	Health Assessment	\$ 20,000.00		
	Miscellaneous	\$ 17,439.40		
	Immunizations	\$ 99,278.02	\$	494,097.88

Expenditures					
Gene	ral Fund				
	Salaries	\$	202,356.05		
	P.E.R.S./Medicare	\$	31,010.43		
	Workman's Comp	\$	2,126.41		
	Health & Life Insurance	\$	56,797.41		
	Liability Insurance	\$	4,000.00		
	Salaries-Board Members	\$	3,840.00		
	Supplies/Medical & Office	\$	13,279.56		
	Other Expenses	\$	37,901.08		
	Vital Statistics	\$	17,905.86		
	Audit Expense	\$	-		
	Private Vaccine	\$	16,280.45		
	Health Assessment	\$	14,000.00		
	Travel Expense	\$	3,827.98	\$	403,325.23

TOWN & MAYORS

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Tom Seem

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Gary Conley

ALGER

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