

# Massillon City Health Department 2017 Annual Report

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## Meet the Staff of the Health Department!

Staff members: (left to right) Front Row: Denaye Hagi, RN, Public Health Nurse; Vicki Porter, WIC Clinical Assistant; Bethany Perkowski, RS, Environmental Health Director; Back Row: Crystal Gardner, Deputy Registrar; Erin Wise, RD, LD, WIC Supervisor; Terri Argent, RS, REHS, Health Commissioner/Administrator; Vicki Theis, Registrar and Notary; and Diana Wood, RN, Director of Nursing.

## From the Health Commissioner...

2017 was an active year for the Massillon City Health Department. We continue to work toward achieving State accreditation with a focus on infant mortality, mental health, and increasing access to health care.

The entire staff is involved in improving health care for our Spanish-speaking citizens. Mrs. Rosalind Wilson is teaching Spanish lessons to Health Department employees. She is also assisting us with media projects in Spanish such as emergency medical cards and informational materials.

This year we also focused on issues in our community that need addressed such as teen suicide prevention, and the increasing opiate abuse, doing what we can to reduce and eliminate these serious community health problems.

OUR VISION IS TO PROVIDE SERVICES AND PROMOTE BEHAVIORS RESULTING IN HEALTHY PEOPLE AND A HEALTHY MASSILLON.

The Supplemental Nutrition Program for women, infants, and children (WIC) helps income eligible pregnant, postpartum, and breastfeeding women, infants, and children up to five years of age who are at health risk due to inadequate nutrition. The program improves pregnancy outcomes by providing or referring to support services necessary for full-term pregnancies, reduces infant mortality by reducing the incidence of low birth weight and provides infants and children with a healthy start in life by improving poor or inadequate diets. Brief alcohol risk screenings are being completed with every pregnant participant to reduce the risk of fetal alcohol syndrome. Appropriate referrals are made for any participant that may be in need of programs such as Help Me Grow, BCMH, or other beneficial services that are offered throughout Stark County. Applicants to the program must live within the city limits, possess a medical or nutritional risk, and be within income guidelines.

The Massillon WIC office is small, friendly, and client centered. We strive to offer the best comfort and care of participants in a fast and efficient manner. Benefits are all issued electronically for ease and convenience in the stores and a shorter time in office. State WIC offers a food list that is constantly changing to add more variety and offerings to our participants. Our nutrition education offerings have been developed with participants input, and are changed regularly throughout the year, to stimulate learning and implementation. Our breastfeeding team has an after-hours warm line that allows participants to seek help with breastfeeding after normal working hours. Our staff members care for our participants and try to establish client centered goals for each participant that will empower them to make changes in their everyday lifestyle for the betterment of their health and their children's overall health.

Outreach is performed at area doctor offices, daycares, and community partners in an effort to reach all eligible participants. WIC continues to change lives in the community by working as a partnership with parents to build strong and healthy children.

## **Vital Statistics**

In 2017, the Massillon City Health Department welcomed a new Deputy Registrar, Crystal Gardner. Crystal comes to us with 18 years of customer service experience working at First Merit Bank!

Anyone born in Ohio can purchase a birth certificate at the Massillon Health Department. Death records may also be purchased here if the death occurred within the city limits of Massillon. For added convenience, you may order online at www.vitalchek.com.

Accidental drug overdose deaths continue to be a significant cause of death in our community. In the past four years, in Massillon, there have been a total of 36 deaths due to overdose. Generally, cause of death tracking is done to help in continuing research for cures and/or treatment of diseases and conditions.

Visit our website <u>www.massillonohio.gov/health/vital</u> for more information.

## Leading Causes of Death In 2017

Cardiac/Heart disease	
Pulmonary/Emphysema/COPD	62
Alzheimer's/Dementia	
Renal/Kidney disease	
Stroke/Cerebrovascular Accident	
Accidental Drug Overdose	12
Pneumonia	
Liver disease/Cirrhosis	6
All Other Causes	
Total	504

### 2017 Massillon Vital Statistics

## 2017 Animal Bite/Exposure Reports

There were no positive tests for rabies



Crystal Gardner, Deputy Registrar

## **Environmental Health**

## **Environmental Health Director:** Bethany Perkowski, RS

The Environmental Health Division is responsible for several program areas including Food Safety, Public Health Nuisances, Public Swimming Pools and Spas, Tattoos and Body Piercing, School Environment Health and Safety, and Mosquito Control.

Food Safety: The Environmental Health Division is responsible for licensing food service operations and retail food establishments, mobiles, temporary food operations, and vending machines within our jurisdiction. In addition, the Sanitarians are responsible for conducting inspections to monitor for compliance with the State of Ohio Uniform Food Safety Code. Education continues to be an important aspect of the food safety program. The Massillon City Health Department continues to offer Ohio Department of Health approved Level 1 and Level 2 certifications in Food Protection. In 2017, 99 people received their Level 1 certificate in Food Protection, and 92 people completed the Level 2 ServSafe course.

Public Health Nuisances: Every public health complaint received by the Health Department is investigated and orders are issued as needed. Follow-up inspections are conducted to ensure the nuisance has been corrected at which time the nuisance can be abated.

*Public Swimming Pools and Spas*: All licensed public swimming pools and spas are inspected to ensure the minimum standards are being met in order to protect the public from injury and to minimize the potential for disease transmission.

Tattoo and Body Piercing Operations: Tattoo and body piercing operations are inspected to make certain that the operation is being conducted in a safe and sanitary manner by appropriately trained individuals.

School Environment Health and Safety: Nine schools within the City of Massillon receive an annual school building exterior, interior, and grounds inspection.

Mosquito Control: The Massillon City Health Department uses an integrated pest management program to control mosquito populations. This program includes educating the public, removing mosquito breeding sites, larvaciding to prevent mosquito larva from developing into biting adults, and spraying adult mosquito populations if needed.



The Wise Family

2017 Revenue
General Fund
Monies\$352,211
Nursing/WIC151,464
Vital Statistics Fee72,939
State Subsidy8,772
Environmental Health89,778
Total Revenue\$675,164
2017 Expenditures
Nursing/WIC Lab Fee. \$296,279
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# Massillon City Health Department Environmental Health Statistics for 2017

## Licensed Programs – Licenses Sold

Food Service/ Food	
Establishment Operations	194
Mobile Unit Food Service	
Temporary Food Service	
Vending Locations	
Swimming Pools	

## Food Protection Inspections Made

Food Service Operations/Retail	
Food Establishments	405
Mobile/Temporary	90
Vending Machine Inspections	
Food Complaints Received	15
Consultations	26
Plan Reviews (new or remodeled).	

#### **Nuisance Control**

Residential Complaints	315
Commercial Complaints	19
Inspections Made	467
Orders Issued	
Orders in Compliance	

## Other Environmental Inspections

Swimming Pools	22
School Environment Inspection	
Smoking in Public Places Investi-	

## **Public Health Nursing**

Installing a car seat can be more than what you bargain for, just ask any parent with a small child. When should LATCH be used? Which direction should the baby be facing? What's the safest position? Where do you install the top tether? These are just a few of the questions that can be answered by a Child Passenger Safety Technician. At a car seat inspection, parents and caregivers receive one on one instruction on how to properly use and install their child's car seat restraint system, including seat belts A 2015 report from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration concluded of the 4,167 cars inspected, the misuse was 45%

To keep your baby safe in the event of an accident, you need to make sure you are using it properly.

Massillon City Health Department's Child Passenger Safety Technicians, Vicki Porter and Diana Wood offer free car seat inspections, the second Wednesday of the month, (March through October), from 1:00 pm-4:00 pm. Appointments are required. Please call 330-830-1714 for further

details.



## **BCMH**

(Bureau of Children with Medical Handicaps)

Active Clients	102
Home Visits	41
BCMH Referrals	14

### **Tuberculosis Clinics**

TB Tests Administered......103
Positive Reactors.....0

Safe Sleep Classes ...... 5

## **Disease Statistics**

(These diseases are reportable by Ohio Revised Code)

	2015	2016	2017
Amebiasis	0	1	1
Campylobacteriosis	1	8	2
Chlamydia	166	181	192
Cryptosporidiosis	5	3	3
E coli, Shiga Toxin Producir	ng O	1	2
Giardiasis	1	1	1
Gonorrhea	41	43	40
Hepatitis A	0	0	1
Hepatitis B, Acute	0	0	2
Hepatitis B, Chronic	2	3	5
Hepatitis C, Acute	3	1	0
Hepatitis C, Chronic	55	55	38
Influenza associated			
Hospitalization	25	27	39
Legionellosis	3	0	0
Lyme Disease	0	3	1
Malaria	0	1	0
Meningitis, Aseptic	3	0	2
Meningitis, bacterial	0	0	1
Mumps	0	0	1
Mycobacterial disease			
(other than tuberculosis)	3	0	0
Pertussis	7	5	5
Salmonellosis	4	3	5
Shigellosis	0	0	0
Spotted Fever Rickett Sios	is 0	0	2
Streptoccus Pneumoniae,			
invasive	2	5	4
Streptococcal Group A,			
Invasive	0	0	2
Varicella	0	5	3

Vicki Porter Child Passenger Safety Technician

## **Infant Safe Sleep**







Baby sleeps safest alone, on their back, in a crib.

## 2017 Board of Health

Board terms are staggered and expire on December 31

Kathy Catazaro-Perry, President; Cathy Heitger, 2017; Jeffrey Thornberry, President Pro-tem, 2018;

Jim Johnson, 2019; Dr. Sonia Glick-Ullum, 2020; Pastor Reginald Hye, 2021; Dr. Louis Schaner, DO, Medical Director

Board meetings are held at 3:30 pm in the Health Department Conference Room on the third Tuesday of each month.

Meetings are open to the public.

2017 City Council Health & Welfare Committee

Linda Litman, Chairperson

**Ed Lewis** 

Jill Creamer

#### **Immunizations**

76	Act HiB	53	MMR
115	Bexsero	61	MMRV
1	DT	62	Pediarix
55	DTap	67	Polio
195	Hepatitis A	75	Prevnar 13
70	Hepatitis B	21	Rotovirus
168	HPV9	27	Td
230	Influenza	63	Tdap
31	Kinrix	69	Varicella
135	Menveo		

1,574 Vaccines Administered

