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The mission of Wayne County Public Health is to provide disease prevention services, health promotion programs and health care services to those in need in order to maintain and enhance the longevity and quality of life of Wayne County residents.

Our Vision

To encourage and promote optimal health outcomes for our residents.

Our Values

Collaboration, Compassion, Integrity, Professionalism and Respect.

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Wayne Health Improvement Partnership

In early 2016, the Wayne County Prevention Agenda Team decided to change the group's name to Wayne Health Improvement Partnership (WHIP). The WHIP is comprised of the following members: Wayne County Public Health, Newark-Wayne Community Hospital, Wayne County Rural Health Network, S2AY Rural Health Network, Cornell Cooperative Extension of Wayne County, Finger Lakes Community Health Center, Wayne CAP, Wayne ARC, Head Start, Catholic Charities, Department of Social Services, representatives of the Board of Supervisors, Tobacco Action Coalition of the Finger Lakes, Wayne County Mental Health, Wayne County Aging & Youth, and representatives from the schools. Any health and human service agency that provides services in Wayne County, or any Wayne County resident are welcome to join the WHIP.

The members of the WHIP meet on a bi-monthly basis to work on the 2014 – 2017 Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP). The CHIP outlines activities that are intended to decrease the prevalence of obesity and heart disease / hypertension in Wayne County residents. WHIP members worked in subcommittees in areas according to their expertise. The sub-committees are: breastfeeding, worksite wellness, EBT / SNAP benefits usage at farmers markets, community gardens, living healthy and motivational interviewing and sodium reduction in hospital, senior meal sites and nursing home meals.

In the fall of 2015, all local health departments (LHD) were notified by the NYSDOH that the Community Health Assessment (CHA) and the CHIP would need to be updated by the end of 2016. Prior to this, new documents were not due until the end of 2017. This update would not require the LHDs to perform a full MAPP process for the CHA or the CHIP, only update the existing documents. LHDs will now be on the same three (3) year cycle along with the hospitals for completing future CHA and CHIP documents. The LHDs and hospitals were instructed by the NYSDOH to work together on updating these documents. It was decided by Newark-Wayne Community Hospital (NWCH) and Wayne County Public Health (WCPH) that one document would be submitted for both organizations. In December 2016, WCPH submitted the 2016-2018 Community Health Assessment / Community Service Plan to the NYSDOH. This document also included the CHIP activities that would be conducted in the 2016-2018 time period.

Due to the directive to conduct the update to the CHA by the end of 2016, CHIP activity work was limited. However, some great strides were made, such as:

- Finger Lakes Eat Smart NY FY 2016 Summary – performed by CCE

County	Adult contacts	Youth contacts	Totals
Wayne	2604	3901	6505

Nutrition education, benefits of physical activity and cooking demonstrations were held throughout the County. Behavior outcomes were the following:
82% increased frequency of eating fruits
87% increased frequency of eating vegetables
79% increased frequency of being physically active for 30 minutes or more each day
84% decreased frequency of consuming high fat and high sugar foods

- 67% decreased frequency of consuming sugar sweetened beverages
- 63% increased frequency of choosing a low-fat/fat-free dairy beverage or water
- A National Diabetes Prevention Program was held in spring of 2016. Twelve (12) participants began the program with nine (9) completing. A total of 285 lbs. were lost.
- Finger Lakes Health Services Agency began a Hypertension Project with physicians in 2016. A total of 17,460 patients, identified as having hypertension, had their blood pressure information anonymously analyzed. The goal is to identify the percentage of hypertensive patients whose blood pressure was considered "under control". Wayne County's controlled hypertension rate was at 63% as of June 2016. Data is collected every 6 months. Wayne County Public Health offers training on accurate blood pressure screenings to all Wayne County practices.
- NWCH (partnering with WCPH) obtained a grant from March of Dimes to offer the Baby and Me Tobacco Free program to their smoking pregnant patients. NWCH is to provide the program to clients who are patients of their OB practices and WCPH is to provide this service to pregnant smokers who obtain OB services from outside of NWCH practices.

Copies of the current CHA and CHIP are available on the Public Health page of the Wayne County website www.co.wayne.ny.us. WCPH would like to thank all members of the WHIP for their dedication and willingness to collaborate and share resources to achieve better health outcomes for the residents of Wayne County.

Accreditation

In 2013, Wayne County Public Health received approval to apply for accreditation through the Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB) along with the counties of Schuyler, Seneca, Steuben, Ontario, and Yates. PHAB is the accrediting entity for local, tribal, and state health departments throughout the country. The PHAB application is designed to guide improvements in applicant health departments and ensure that they operate in accordance with certain standards.

In 2016, PHAB influenced the following improvements at Wayne County Public Health:

- More community engagement and discussion with groups who experience poorer health outcomes.
- Stronger policies around health equity, community inclusion, and translation and interpretation.
- More quality improvement training and participation (both locally and regionally).
- More communication with the Board of Supervisors.

PHAB improves the way health departments serve and connect with their communities. The application process is designed so that interested health departments who would not immediately qualify for accreditation can begin the application and improve their standard of business as they work toward submitting their final documentation. Because of this, health departments are improving prior to becoming accredited. According to PHAB, "More than 80 percent of health departments that have had their PHAB site visit strongly agree – and the remaining health departments all agree – that 'Going through the accreditation process has improved the performance of our health department.'"

(PHABoard.org, 2017) Accredited health departments cited better quality improvement processes, stronger management, increased accountability, and stronger partnerships as some of the benefits of the accreditation process.

S2AY Rural Health Network serves all participating counties and organizes the timelines and processes for uploading and reviewing documents prior to final submission. Finalized documents are submitted on PHAB's electronic platform by trained personnel at Ontario County Public Health. Each document is reviewed by colleagues in at least two participating counties before it is submitted to PHAB. Those which are not approved are corrected or replaced and then scored again. As of January 2017, Wayne County has fewer than thirty first-time submissions remaining (out of approximately 330 total), and the rest are approved, awaiting scores, or being submitted by others on behalf of multiple counties. The regional PHAB application will be complete by June 1, 2017 and the site visit and final decision by PHAB will occur in the months following. For more information on accreditation and its benefits, please visit PHABoard.org.

STAR of Public Health

To recognize the efforts of WCPH employees an Employee Recognition Program was developed. The goal of the program is to recognize an employee who is the "Star of Public Health" and exemplifies the following criteria:

- Consistently reflects the mission, vision and values of WCPH
 - *Mission: To provide disease prevention services, health promotion programs, and healthcare services to those in need in order to maintain and enhance the longevity and quality of life of our residents.*
 - *Vision: To encourage and promote optimal health outcomes for our residents*
 - *Values: Collaboration, Compassion, Integrity, Professionalism, and Respect*
- Goes "above and beyond"
- Advocates for those who cannot advocate for themselves
- Understands community or department issues and offers innovative solutions for the betterment of the team, the department, or the community
- Has a positive attitude
- Committed to applying skills and talents within their job duties

Wayne County Public Health is pleased to announce that the winner of the second annual "Star of Public Health Award" is Lisa O'Dell! Lisa has been an employee at Wayne County Public Health since September 1992, working diligently as a Public Health Educator and EI Service Coordinator. Lisa is an integral part of Public Health, with a busy schedule of managing grant activities, health education programs, and service coordination duties. Lisa was voted for this honor by fellow Wayne County Public Health staff, and was presented an award during the annual Employee Recognition Ceremony.



Diane Devlin, Director, with Lisa O'Dell, the 2016 STAR of Public Health recipient.

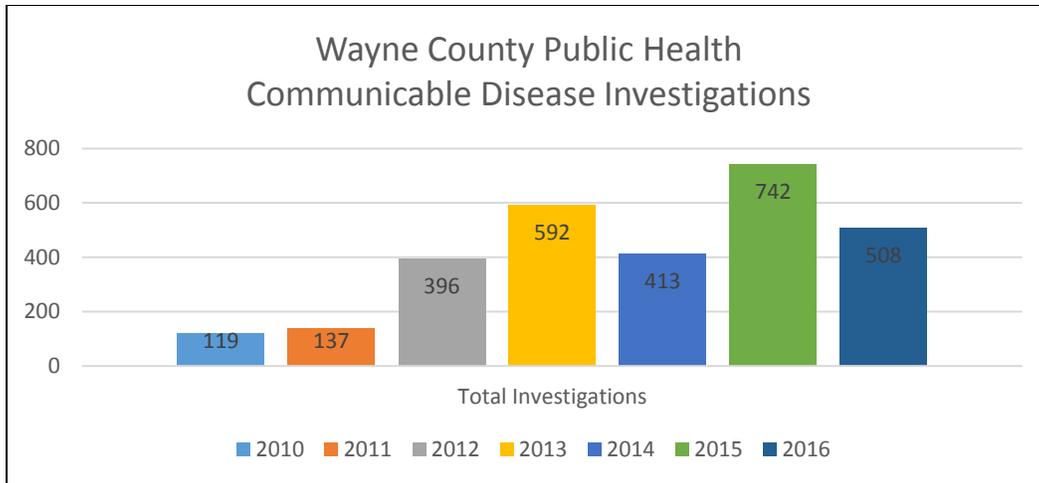
Disease Control

The Disease Control Program is responsible for the prevention, investigation, reporting, diagnosis, and treatment of reportable communicable diseases in Wayne County. Preventing epidemics and controlling communicable disease is one of the core functions of public health. Programs include Communicable Diseases, Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STD), HIV Counseling and Testing, and Tuberculosis Control. Staff members monitor disease activity within the community and work closely to develop education, outreach, testing, and treatment strategies to minimize the impact of communicable disease in the community.

Communicable Disease

Surveillance, Reporting and Control

In NYS, all physicians, licensed clinical laboratories, and health care facilities are required to report persons who are suspected or diagnosed with reportable diseases to the Local Health Department. Communicable Disease staff responds to outbreaks and single cases of communicable disease in order to prevent spread in the community. The Communicable Disease Nurse is responsible for the investigation, follow-up, surveillance, and reporting of almost 70 diseases. Staff works closely with Healthcare Providers, School Nurses, and the NYSDOH to control and prevent the spread of Communicable Diseases within the community. All confirmed reportable disease cases are reported electronically to the NYSDOH.



In 2016 there were 508 total communicable disease investigations. WCPH only tracks the number of positive influenza reports, no investigations are conducted. The decrease in disease investigations from 2015 to 2016 were due to a lower number of positive influenza reports. This program reports all communicable diseases to the NYSDOH and follows trends in morbidity.

Disease	2016
Amebiasis	0
Aseptic Meningitis	0
Campylobacter	11
Cryptosporidium	8
Dengue Fever	0
E. Coli	5
Ehrlichiosis	0
Giardia	5
H. Flu	1
Hepatitis A	1
Hepatitis B –newly reported/chronic	3
Hepatitis B Acute	0
Hepatitis C – newly reported/chronic	63
Influenza	332
Legionellosis	3
Listeria	1
Lyme	22
Meningococcal Infection	0
Pertussis	16
Rocky Mt. Spotted Fever	0
Salmonella	13
Shigella	0
Strep Group A	3
Strep Group B	15
Strep Pneumoniae	5
Toxic Shock	0
Yersiniosis	1
Total Investigations	508

Outbreak Investigations

An outbreak is a sudden increase in incidence of a communicable disease. In 2016, WCPH did not have any outbreaks of Communicable Disease.

Ebola Virus

Wayne County Public Health continues to conduct Ebola Drills once every 12 months. As of December 18th 2015, related to the declining numbers of Ebola Virus Disease cases in Africa, the Commissioner of Health has updated the original orders for Diagnostic and Treatment Centers to now conduct Ebola drills once every 12 months.

WCPH continues to be on the alert and monitor for NYSDOH/CDC Advisories and Alerts for heightened awareness of possible EVD cases.

Zika Virus

Zika virus is newly emerging as a worldwide threat to public health, and is spreading widely in the Western Hemisphere, primarily by the bite of an infected *Aedes aegypti* mosquito; sexual transmission has also been documented. Although *Aedes aegypti* mosquitoes are not present in New York State (NYS), a related species named *Aedes albopictus* is active in the downstate region, and may be able to effectively transmit the virus.

Zika virus infection has been associated with serious birth defects in infants of mothers who were infected with the Zika virus while pregnant. Further, in February 2016, the World Health Organization declared the recent cluster of microcephaly and other neurological abnormalities associated with in utero exposure to the Zika virus a public health emergency of global concern.

In February of 2016, Wayne County Public Health in accordance with Title 10 Public Health Law, Subpart 40-2.24 has adopted and implemented a Zika Action Plan. The purpose for this plan is to ensure timely disease monitoring and reporting of the Zika virus, provide education to the public and healthcare providers and facilitate Zika virus testing in accordance to and collaboration with the New York State Department of Health.

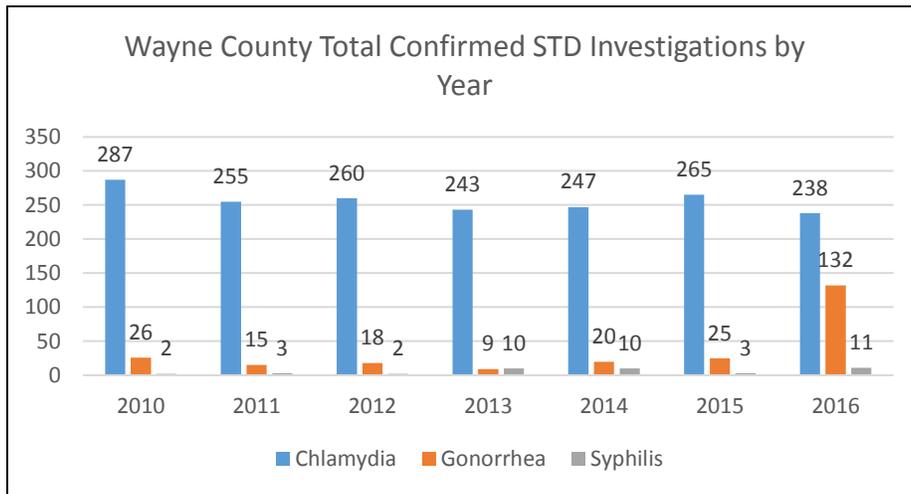
Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD) & HIV

New York State relies on local health departments to control, investigate, test, treat, and report sexually transmitted diseases (STD). This includes but is not limited to Syphilis, Gonorrhea, and Chlamydia.

STD services have been contracted out to Finger Lakes Community Health (FLCH) as of January 1st 2015. Wayne County residents are able to choose from six (6) different clinic locations in and around the county. A comprehensive list of diagnostic and treatment services are provided at these clinics that align with requirements in 10NYCRR 23.4. Treatment services may be billed to the patient's private or public health insurance payer, Wayne County is the payer of last resort. A Public Health Nurse sits on the FLCH Quality Improvement Committee.

NYS Public Health Law mandates all cases of STDs be reported to the local health department for investigation, assurance of appropriate treatment, and follow-up with possible contacts. WCPH will continue to maintain this surveillance. WCPH STD Program works to educate providers and the public about STDs in our population. Follow-up on contact notification, screening, and treatment is also part of the program's activities. Sexually Transmitted Infections that are reportable to the health department are Chlamydia, Gonorrhea, and Syphilis.

WCPH is a member of the AIDS Task Force and participates in monthly meetings and also attends the Finger Lakes HIV/STD Coalition on a quarterly basis. This assists to provide updates on the status of the epidemic and State programs, and to identify new and emerging issues that would benefit from interagency collaborations.



CHLAMYDIA

An increase in Chlamydia (CT) rates has been noted in Wayne and other regional counties. A Chlamydia Quality Improvement Project (CTQI) was created in December 2015 to take a closer look at the situation. A team was assembled from each S2AY Rural Health Network county with the goal to identify all possible causes of the problem and decrease CT rates by 5% by the year 2020. As of this writing, the CTQI Project has identified several steps towards improving CT rates by increasing awareness of a

NYSDOH program called Expedited Partner Therapy (EPT). The group surveyed providers who do STD testing in each county to assess how often a sexual health history is performed, as well as how often EPT is provided. From there, the team provided in-person informational sessions to educate providers on EPT use and taking sexual health histories. A second survey has been distributed to the same provider group to assess whether or not testing and sexual health histories have increased.

Gonorrhea

It was noted in 2016 that Gonorrhea rates in Wayne County have risen. WCPH Communicable Disease Program Coordinator has been in contact with NYSDOH to discuss the increase in diagnoses. NYSDOH reached the conclusion that there has been an increase in testing in Wayne County due to the increased education from the Chlamydia project. Wayne County will continue to implement innovative strategies to prevent the spread of STD's and promote screening by working with the NYSDOH and creating a Gonorrhea Quality Improvement Project for 2017.

Immunization Programs

In the U.S., vaccines have greatly reduced or eliminated many infectious diseases that once routinely killed or harmed many infants, children, and adults. However, the viruses and bacteria that cause vaccine-preventable disease and death still exist and can be passed on to people who are not protected by vaccines (CDC). WCPH works with different program areas to accomplish higher vaccine rates in Wayne County.

Immunization Action Plan

WCPH partners with the NYSDOH to implement an Immunization Action Plan (IAP). The goals of this plan are to;

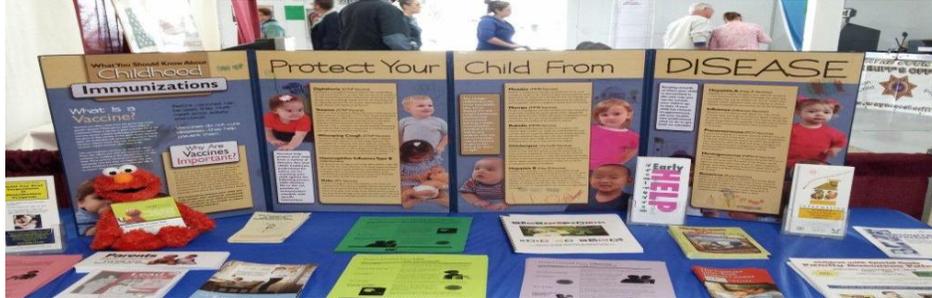
- Increase Childhood and Adolescent immunization rates
- Increase Adult immunization rates
- Increase HPV Vaccine 2-3 dose series completion
- Ensure that all vaccination records are completely and accurately entered in to the New York State Immunization Information System (NYSIIS)
- Increase education, Information, training and partnerships
- Reduce Perinatal Hepatitis B transmission

In keeping with program goals, Wayne County's IAP accomplished the following activities in 2016;

- Continued to increase childhood immunization rates by using AFIX audits of providers and daycares
- Continued to eliminate identified barriers for children to receive immunizations
- Provided education opportunities to medical providers, childcare providers and school nurses by hosting webinars/teleconferences
- Conducted activities to increase adult immunization rates for influenza and Tdap rates among NYS adults, pregnant women and their partners
- Identified areas of need in Wayne County and assisted providers to achieve optimal immunization of preschool and school age children
- Continued collaboration with Healthcare Providers and schools regarding NYSIIS record keeping, and vaccine storage and handling
- Participation and collaboration in the Finger Lakes Area Immunization Coalition

Children's Immunization Clinic

WCPH provides monthly Children's Immunization Clinics for children less than 19 years of age. Vaccine is obtained through the NYS Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program and administered by the public health nursing staff.



In 2016, the clinic provided ~260 shots for 110 children under the NYS VFC program. Many of the shots administered contained more than one vaccine; some have up to three vaccines. The VFC program is a federally funded CDC program that provides vaccines at no cost to children who might not otherwise be vaccinated because of inability to pay. These publicly funded vaccines are a critical resource for filling gaps in the nation's immunization coverage. All fully privately insured children are vaccinated by their primary care physicians. WCPH will continue to serve eligible children and adolescents under this program, and those who are uninsured, under-insured, enrolled in Medicaid, Medicaid Managed Care, American Indians, or Alaskan Natives.

Adult Immunization Clinic

Vaccine-preventable adult diseases cause long-term illness, hospitalization, and even death. Vaccinations are recommended throughout life to prevent vaccine-preventable diseases. Adult vaccination coverage, however, remains low for most routinely recommended vaccines, and below Healthy People 2020 targets. According to the CDC, in the United States:

- CDC estimates that since 2010, flu-related hospitalizations in the United States have ranged from 140,000 to 710,000 and flu related deaths have ranged from 12,000 to 56,000.
- About 900,000 people get pneumococcal pneumonia every year, leading to as many as 400,000 hospitalizations and 19,000 deaths.
- 700,000 to 1.4 million people suffer from chronic hepatitis B, with complications such as liver cancer.
- HPV causes over 27,000 cancers in women and men each year. About 4,000 women die each year from cervical cancer.



Sue Sheets, RN administering Adult Immunizations

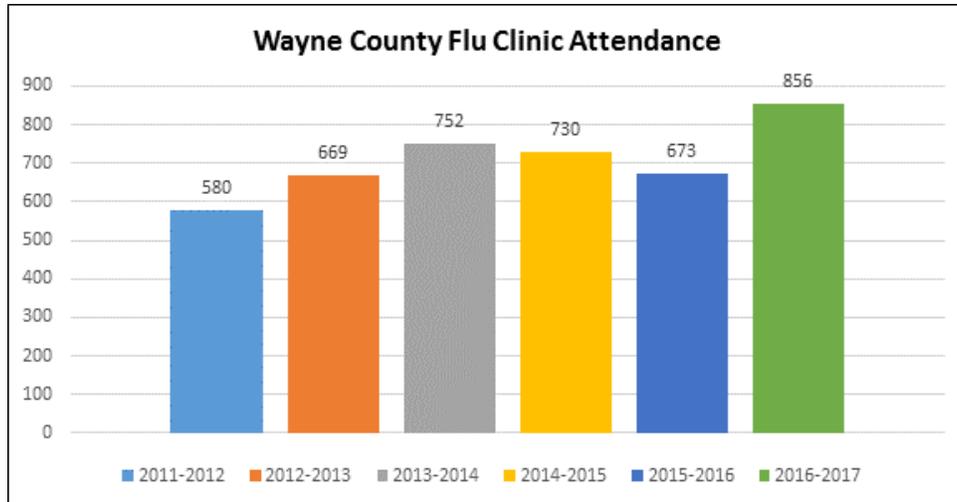
The Adult Immunization Clinic offers adult vaccines Monday-Friday 8:30-3:30 by appointment to better accommodate adult schedules. In July 2015, the NYSDOH expanded their current adult immunization program into a Vaccine for Adults Program (VFA), which WCPH is a participant. The VFA Program provides a safety net for the vaccination of adults who do not have health insurance coverage for vaccines.

WCPH promotes outreach to the community on the benefits of adult vaccination and the availability of these vaccines at Public Health. The goal is to increase awareness of the benefits of adult immunization against these vaccine preventable diseases. There were 119 adults who attended the Adult Immunization Clinics/Appointments in 2016.

Seasonal Influenza & Pneumonia

WCPH makes every effort to prevent illness, reduce hospitalizations, and prevent premature deaths resulting from influenza and pneumococcal disease by making vaccinations accessible to all county residents. Vaccinations are key in reducing the severity of flu illnesses, doctor's visits, and missed work and school due to flu, as well as prevent flu-related hospitalizations and deaths.

WCPH ordered 1000 adult and 40 pediatric flu vaccines for the 2016-17 influenza seasons. WCPH conducted 16 flu clinics at various locations in Wayne County and vaccinated 856 people. The clinic sites included community centers, local churches, senior living centers, school employee sites, fire departments, and at WCPH. Community clinics were held in the early evening and included children ages 6 months and older. There were 332 confirmed cases of influenza in 2016.



All Article 28 and 36 facilities under Section 2.59 10NYCRR are required to mandate all employees that work within patient areas to be vaccinated for influenza or wear a flu mask throughout the flu season. All WCPH employees were vaccinated for influenza in 2016.

WCPH receives a weekly statewide influenza surveillance report from the NYSDOH. This is shared with county Health Care Provider's and the school nurses.

Rabies/Zoonosis

Rabies, and rabies exposures from animal bites for which rabies prophylaxis is given, are part of the NYSDOH Communicable Disease Reporting Requirements. WCPH is responsible for the services and expenses necessary for the suppression of human rabies which includes;

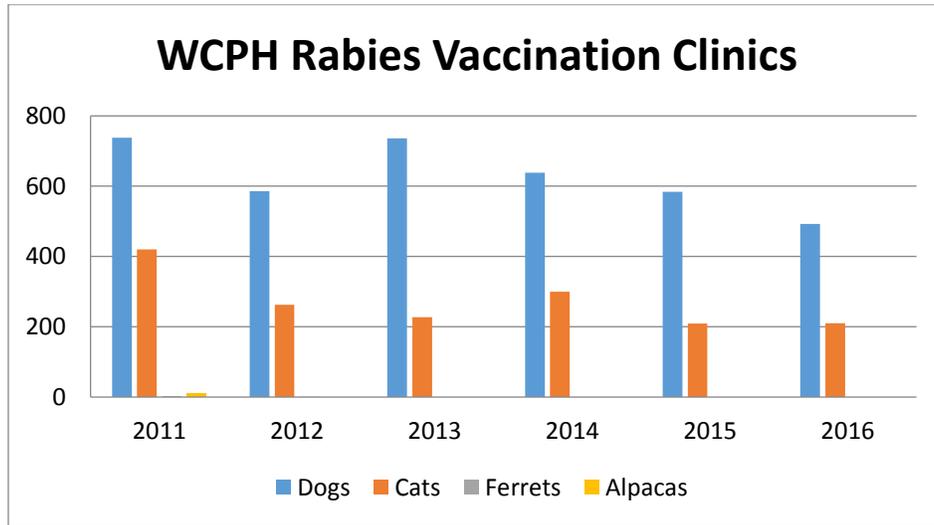
- Availability at all times for prompt investigation of reports of possible exposures to rabies of people, pets, or domestic livestock occurring within the county, and to render authorization for human post exposure treatment. WCPH staff nurses carry a 24/7 On Call Rabies phone.
- Making arrangements for appropriate disposition of the animals involved, including confinement and observation, quarantines, vaccination boosters, or euthanasia and testing. WCPH works closely with town Animal Control Officers.
- Collaborates with Lyons Veterinary services for specimen submissions.
- Verifies terms of confinement, observation and quarantines.
- Authorization of human post exposure treatment under the conditions hereinafter specified, except that third party coverage or indemnification shall first be applied against the cost of treatment.

In 2016, WCPH;

- Investigated 290 animal bite reports that were related to dogs, cats, bats, raccoons, fox, coyotes and skunks.
- Submitted 37 specimens to the NYS Wadsworth lab for rabies testing that included dogs, cats, coyote, rabbit, bats, skunk, horse and raccoons.

- Authorized post-exposure rabies vaccinations for 50 individuals who were identified as potentially having been exposed to rabies.
- Identified 6 animals that tested positive; 1 skunk, 1 coyote, 1 raccoon, 2 cats and 1 bat.

WCPH works in conjunction with the Lyons Veterinary Clinic and the towns of Wayne County to conduct quarterly Rabies clinics.



The clinics are free of charge for dogs, cats and domesticated ferrets, owned by persons with local residence; donations are accepted. All clinics are advertised in advance in local penny savers, and on the WCPH website and Facebook.

Eastern Equine Encephalitis

In October 2016, WCPH received a positive report on an unvaccinated horse that died and was diagnosed with Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE). This marks 3 consecutive years that EEE has been reported in Wayne County from positively diagnosed unvaccinated horses. Although the virus (EEEV) affects horses, EEEV can also be transmitted to humans by the bite of an infected mosquito. EEE is a rare illness in humans, and only a few cases are reported in the United States each year. Most persons infected with EEEV have no apparent illness. Severe cases of EEE (involving encephalitis, an inflammation of the brain) begin with the sudden onset of headache, high fever, chills, and vomiting. The illness may then progress into disorientation, seizures, or coma. EEE is one of the most severe mosquito-transmitted diseases in the United States.

Mosquito trapping/surveillance was conducted in the Town of Rose, Macedon and Galen. Mosquito pools were collected and tested for EEE and West Nile Virus (WNV). No mosquito pools tested positive for WNV or EEE in 2016.

The mosquito population in 2016 was dramatically less than the previous couple of years. This was attributed to the dry summer weather that we experienced. With the drought like conditions, the mosquito's optimal breeding habitat was reduced.

Educating our residents about preventing mosquito bites, mosquito breeding, and the signs and symptoms of EEE in humans and horses became a high priority for WCPH. Each spring WCPH conducts a "Fight the Bite" educational campaign that continues through to the end of the Fall.

Fight the Bite Campaign

In May 2016, Wayne County Public Health launched the "Fight the Bite" campaign with a press release to local newspapers providing Wayne county residents information on the diseases mosquitoes and ticks spread and the precautions needed to avoid exposure in the spring and summer months ahead and the importance of vaccinating horses.



Flyers, bookmarks, and pamphlets were distributed to every HealthCare Provider office, Garden/Hardware Center, school nurse, and libraries in Wayne County. Information was sent out on Facebook Posts, and websites. Three "Fight the Bite" Billboards were posted in strategic locations of the county, along with an outfield wall board at the Newark Pilots field.

Tuberculosis (TB) Control

TB is a disease caused by a bacterium called *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*. The bacteria usually attack the lungs, but TB bacteria can attack any part of the body such as the kidney, spine, and brain. If not treated properly, TB disease can be fatal. TB disease was at one time the leading cause of death in the United States (CDC).

The TB program provides comprehensive testing, diagnosis and treatment of latent (infection) and active (disease) TB cases in Wayne County. This program decreases the public's threat posed by active TB in our community through thorough evaluation, closely monitored treatment regimens including directly observed therapy (DOT), and promotion of preventive therapy as indicated for contacts of cases.

WCPH is considered the expert in TB Control in Wayne County as all positive Tuberculin Skin Test (TST) results are directly reported to Public Health by local doctors, hospitals, medical centers, and medical providers at the jail for our investigation and case management. Public Health works closely with NYSDOH on all active and suspect cases.

Communicable disease is one of the core functions of public health. The TB Program screens for TB infection, TB disease and provides prophylaxis for infection.

An essential part of the Wayne County Public Health TB Prevention Program is education and outreach. The TB Coordinator offers educational in-services to healthcare providers on TB diagnosis, treatments and TB skin testing.

Number of:	2014	2015	2016
Referrals to the TB program	38	22	49
TB skin tests (TST) performed	175	123	113
Latent TB Infection (LTBI) clients seen for prophylaxis	24	21	27
Active TB Cases	2	0	1



WCPH holds TST clinics weekly and a TB clinic monthly which is staffed by Dr. Gary Wahl and Veronica LaFave-Boughton RN (shown above).

Chronic Diseases

In 2016, WCPH was able to provide the first class for the National Diabetes Prevention Program (NDPP) to a group of 12 Wayne County residents. There were a total of 9 participants by the end of the 16 week session, and they had lost a significant amount of weight; every single participant met the program's initial goal to lose 7% of their starting weight.

As of January 30th, 2017, a new class has reached session 4. The class is offered over two time slots, 12 noon to 1pm and 5pm to 6pm. The class was advertised using a paid post on Facebook, and the results were astounding. More than 12,000 Wayne County specific residents were reached, using the paid Facebook ad, from mid-November to the end of 2016. The post was also "engaged" (clicked on, viewed, commented, or

otherwise connect to our page from) 935 times, providing more visibility and connectivity to our Public Health messaging. The new NDPP classes have a combined total of over 40 participants, all of whom have lost weight since the beginning.

Diabetes and Chronic Disease Coalition

WCPH participates in the Diabetes and Chronic Disease Coalition with quarterly meetings. This group works to collaboratively improve the quality of life for Wayne County residents affected by diabetes and other chronic disease conditions by planning activities and education that increase awareness out in the community. The CDSMP and NDPP programs have benefited from extra efforts from the Diabetes and Chronic Disease Coalition.

Asthma

The Asthma Care program targets children ages 2-18 and works with families, school nurses, and pediatricians to provide asthma education, help find triggers that cause asthmatic episodes, and create a plan of care to reduce asthma attacks.

The program is managed by Veronica Lafave-Boughton, RN. Public Health Educators are used for teaching opportunities with the community and other health professionals. Inhaler spacers are distributed to school nurses and physician offices for use by children with asthma.

Tobacco Use – Control, Prevention and Education

The Tobacco Cessation program is committed to decreasing tobacco use in Wayne County through the use of proven cessation methods delivered in either a one-on-one appointment or group class setting. Nicotine Replacement Therapies (NRT) are provided to participants, free of charge. These include patches, gum, or lozenges, and are proven to significantly increase the success rate for tobacco cessation attempts. With new program guidelines, participants are expected to keep bi-weekly appointments to receive NRT. There is a 6 month cap on free patches, gum, or lozenges. Most participants are considered nicotine addiction free by the 3 month mark.

Family Health

There are several components under family health, they are: dental health education, family planning, injury prevention and control, lead poisoning, nutrition, prenatal care and infant mortality, and primary and preventive health care services for under 21 years.

Dental Health

Public Health plays an important role in ensuring that all children birth to age 21 and their care givers have access to information about dental health. Dental health education programs and promotion of early dental care to children who are underserved or at high risk for tooth decay and activities is completed by Health Educators and Nurses. Public Health staff takes every opportunity at clinics, home



visits, health fairs and outreach events to educate clients about good dental health practices. Parents are given printed health educational materials with dental health recommendations about early and regular oral exam appointments for their children.

In 2016,

- Fourteen (14) dental health presentations were conducted at Head Start programs and one (1) to a Universal Pre-K class. These programs taught children how to properly care for their teeth.
- 248 toothbrushes were distributed to Head Start children during the month of February. 188 were distributed to their home based programs.
- February was Children’s Dental Health Month. A focus was on dental education at WCPH via bulletin boards, information for parents and children.

The 2010-2013 Community Health Assessment heavily indicated, through the conducted surveys and focus groups held, the need of more dentists whom accept Medicaid. Since then, the number of dental practices that accept Medicaid has increased. The lack of regular dental services provided to the Medicaid population is no longer an immediate concern.

The Regional Primary Care Network also provides a community dental program that provides dental education, dental exam and dental hygiene services to children within local school districts. WCPH provides this program with \$2,000 each year for dental supplies.

Family Planning

In accordance with State and Federal guidelines (Title X of the Public Health Services Act), Public Health provides women of childbearing age information and referrals to local family planning services. During 2016 this was accomplished during home visits with new moms under the Tender Care program.

The only birth control methods distributed at the Public Health office are condoms. These are available to anyone free of charge who requests a supply. The NYSDOH provides condoms to Public Health at no cost.

Injury Prevention & Control

The New York State Department of Health relies on local health department efforts to reduce preventable and unintentional injuries to the lowest practicable level in their community. This includes the development and implementation of public education programs to inform the public of measures necessary to avoid preventable, unintentional injury, as well as the coordination with other public or private agencies that has an interest in injury prevention and control.

Child Passenger Safety Program

The Governor’s Traffic Safety Committee provides funding for the car seat distribution and fitting station programs. This program is designed to increase compliance with the New York State Child Passenger Safety Laws and reduce childhood injuries and deaths related to motor vehicle crashes.





The car seat distribution program allows low-income families access to safe and appropriate restraints for their child(ren). The grant requires that all recipients of the distribution program receive car seat education on the importance of using child restraints, how to correctly install, and how to use their car seat.

Through the fitting station program, car seats are inspected to ensure they meet proper safety standards. If they do not, the Car Seat Program is able to provide a new seat. This service is provided to the public regardless of their income.

Ryan Mulhern, PH Educator and Car Seat Technician, working at an Inspection Event at the Newark Fire Dept., September 2015



Our Public Health employees, who are Nationally Certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians, and who provide these demonstrations and inspect car seats are: Lisa O'Dell, Susan Sheets and Ryan Mulhern.

During the 2015-16 grant period, the Wayne County Child Passenger Safety Seat Program distributed 34 child restraints through the Distribution Program. In addition, another 73 seats were inspected and 48 child restraints were replaced. Seat distribution was down 23% from 2014 for these two programs. There were 2 seat check events held in the community, 46 seats were inspected and 24 seats were replaced.



Wheel Sport Safety & Helmet Distribution Program

The Governor's Traffic Safety Committee provides funding to sustain our bike helmet education and distribution programs. These programs are intended to support efforts to improve highway safety by reducing injuries and deaths of Wayne County residents. 2015-16 was the last year GTSC will provide funding for this program.

Our accomplishments in the 2016 grant period include:

- Distributing 592 helmets at various health fairs, community days, farmer's markets, summer recreation programs and etc.
- Distributing 31 helmets at the Public Health Office
- 1 Bike rodeo was completed.

Other injury prevention activities included:

- Providing occupant protection safety programs for 2 driver's education programs at Sodus Central School.

Lead Poisoning Prevention

Today at least 4 million households have children living in them that are being exposed to high levels of lead. There are approximately half a million U.S. children ages 1-5 with blood lead levels above 5 micrograms per deciliter ($\mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$), the reference level at which CDC recommends public health actions be initiated.

The goal of the Lead Poisoning Prevention Program is to reduce the prevalence of elevated blood lead levels in young children. This is achieved by conducting surveillance, screening, case management, health education, and outreach.

In 2016, 1,635 children were tested in Wayne County.

- There were 3 newly identified cases of elevated lead levels at 15mcg/dL or above. This is the level at which a home visit is done by the Lead Poisoning Prevention Coordinator, Chris Gedney, RN, to conduct a lead exposure assessment. The nurse also initiates a referral to the NYSDOH Environmental Sanitarian at NYSDOH Geneva District Office for an environmental investigation and follow up services.
- There were 20 cases of lead identified between levels 10 - 14.9mcg/dL. At this level the nurse will call the child's parents to provide a nursing visit to assess where the problem might be, provide information and follow up testing letters, printed information and retesting recommendations. Copies of letters sent also go to the child's Health Care providers.
- There were 88 cases that tested between 5-9.9mcg/dL. Although not required to act upon these cases, WCPH will mail out educational materials discussing what the lead level means and how to reduce the level.

A main objective of the Lead Program is to increase the number of children who are tested for lead at ages 1 and again at 2, as required by the NYSDOH regulations, and provide Lead Education to the communities in our county.

WCPH has promoted the Lead Poisoning Prevention Education in 2016 by;

- Distributing education on Lead Poisoning Prevention at Health Fairs, Farmers Markets and the Wayne County Fair.
- Providing Lead Education pamphlets at local hardware stores.
- Time Warner Cable and Internet advertising/media campaign, billboards and advertisement at the Newark Pilots Baseball Games and ads on Entercom radio.
- Visiting Pediatric and OB/GYN offices with Updated Lead Poisoning Prevention Guidelines.
- Rotating the Lead Story board to each pediatric office throughout the year.
- Working collaboratively with WIC, nurse attends three Wayne County WIC sites every month distributing Lead education and answering any questions and per request of parent.
- Reach out to county Daycare Centers with Lead Poisoning Education for parents and teachers.
- Assembled Day Care Tool Kit Binders for all Day Cares in Wayne County, distributed 2 Tool Kit Binders in December 2016 will continue in 2017.
- Presented Power Point Presentation and distributed lead information to Code Enforcement Officers of Wayne County.



Pictured: Wendy Fisher RN, RGMG Newark Pediatric Office, and Chris Gedney RN, BSN, Lead Poisoning Prevention Coordinator at WCPH

Nutrition

Public Health works to identify nutrition priorities and establish systems for appropriate networking and referral with community agencies, and to ensure that high risk groups have access to appropriate interventions.

Dental health education programs include information about the importance of sound nutrition and how diets with too much sugar negatively affects the teeth of both children and adults.

As stated before, Public Health actively supports Cornell Cooperative Extension's nutrition efforts through their Eat Smart NY program, Farm-to-School projects, and participation in the Wayne County Food Security meetings.

Prenatal Care & Infant Mortality

A priority of the Department is to ensure comprehensive health care for infants and their mothers during the perinatal period in order to reduce maternal and infant mortality and morbidity to their lowest possible levels. This is accomplished through our Tender Care Program which is an educational and support program for pregnant women and children 5 years and younger.

One part of this program is to help Wayne County families prepare for optimal birth outcomes for mother and baby. This is accomplished through home visits to pregnant women and parenting families, bringing educational information and demonstrations as needed. This information includes, but is not limited to: pregnancy, nutrition, labor and delivery, breastfeeding, infant care, immunizations, and child safety. In 2016, 6 families took advantage of these specialized visits.

Each Wayne County family who welcomes a new baby is sent a letter offering a free educational and confidential newborn baby visit with Susan Sheets, RN, Maternal Child Health Nurse Coordinator. Post-delivery visits are educational and can help answer any questions a new mom may have.

As noted above, Maternal Child Health referrals have decreased over the last year. A Maternal Child Health Quality Improvement Project was created in August of 2016 to identify reasons why referrals have decreased. This committee is currently working on increasing outreach efforts to area hospitals, MD provider offices, Facebook posts, and health fairs offering information on the availability of these educational home visits through the Tender Care Program.

Susan Sheets, RN is also a Certified Lactation Consultant who is able to assist breastfeeding families in the comfort of their homes. WCPH's Bilingual Community Health Worker, Chantelle Lyon, also achieved her certification as a Lactation Consultant. The request for breastfeeding support has steadily increased.

WCPH is a registered sponsor of Baby Café. A Baby Café is a casual drop in center for breastfeeding families to use as a resource to share their experiences or get assistance from specially trained staff. The Baby Café is open for new mothers two times per month, on Thursday mornings, at the Presbyterian Church in Newark.

The MCH Coordinator is also a member and participant of the Wayne County Breast Feeding Task Force, and attends monthly meetings for the Finger Lakes Breast Feeding Coalition.



Pictured is Maureen Wideman, IBCLC, and a breastfeeding mother at the Baby café

Primary & Preventative Health Services for Children Birth – 21 years

All children under age 21 shall have access to comprehensive primary and preventative health services.

- Child Immunization Clinics occur once per month and administers free vaccine to children 18 years and under who are under/uninsured.
- PH can provide parents with an updated list of local doctors and dentists who see children for families who have recently moved to Wayne County.
- The S2AY Rural Health Network Facilitated Enrollment (FE) Program has changed in 2014 to a Navigator Program – WCPH makes referrals to the Navigator for adults and children in need of insurance. The Navigator sees clients at PH to fill out applications for Child Health Plus, Family Health Plus and Medicaid services.
- Providing an overview of Public Health Services to Wayne County day care provider group.

Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN)

The CSHCN program assists families of children (birth – age 21) with special health care needs and identifies resources to obtain necessary health services, including specialty care providers, related health care services, and health insurance. The CSHCN program is a NYSDOH grant-funded program. In the 2015-2016 grant year, the CSHCN program:

- Provided information and referral services to families in need
- Participated in community fairs to increase the visibility of CSHCN program
- Collaboration with Starbridge continues as 2 workshops and 2 webinars were held and 58 people participated.

- Program brochures and posters were created and distributed throughout the county.
- Advertisements included: radio, billboards, print ads in The Times of Wayne County, and outfield signs at the Newark Pilots baseball field.

Children with Special Needs Program

These programs work closely with the local community to ensure appropriate services and resources are provided to eligible children with special needs and to the families of these children.

Early Intervention Program (EI)

The EI program is a Federally and State mandated program that provides therapeutic and education services for children, birth through age two, who have a developmental delay or a diagnosed condition with a high probability for developmental delay. In 2016, EI received 249 referrals and had ~140 infants/children enrolled in the program.

With NYSDOH Bureau of Early Intervention maintaining the contracts with providers and performing all billing/fiscal components of the program through a Fiscal Agent (FA), counties were expected to see administrative relief for this mandated program. WCPH contracts with the NYSDOH to Administer the EI program. However, the expected administrative relief for counties has not been seen. This is mostly due to the New York Early Intervention System (NYEIS) not providing reports with accurate fiscal and census related information. Thus causing more administrative work for the counties to try and maintain accurate spreadsheets that reflect the census and fiscal data needed to reconcile the counties share of EI costs.

Currently the WCPH's Early Intervention Program is experiencing a shortage of Ongoing Service Coordination, Therapy and Special Education providers. This shortage is also being experienced statewide.

Child Find

The Child Find program is part of the EI program. The program identifies children, birth through two years, who may potentially be eligible for EI services and who are at-risk for developmental delays. It further acts to facilitate their participation with a primary health care provider, ensures their access to developmental screenings, and opportunities to access health care insurance. A Public Health Nurse provides home visits for health assessments, teaching, and referrals to community resources for infants who are at-risk for developmental delays. In 2016, there were 35 cases referred for Child Find home visits. There were a total of 29 children enrolled into the Child Find program in 2016. Two (2) of these children were enrolled into the EI program.

Pre-K Program

The Preschool Special Education Program (Pre-K) provides mandated evaluation, educational, therapeutic, and transportation services for three to five year-old children who have a disability that affects their learning. Sixteen (11 in county and 5 out of county) local school district Committees of Preschool Special Education (CPSE) authorize Preschool Special Education Services. Funding for these services is provided by the counties and the State.

In 2016 there were 419 children enrolled in the Pre-K program by the end of school year 15-16 (September 2015 - June 2016). With 203 of these children receiving services during the summer session.

WCPH has ~ 40 contracts with agency and independent providers. Services may be provided within a child's home or within a center based setting. Currently, Wayne County has a severe lack of therapy and special education providers. This is also being seen statewide.

The New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC) has recommended specific reforms to the Pre-K Program. As municipalities do not have education departments we are not in the business of education, but are using tax dollars to support this program. New York State is the only state in the nation that mandates municipalities to fund a share of the Preschool Special Education program. The municipalities are required to cover all unpaid costs after reimbursement is sought from Medicaid and State Aid has been received. The municipalities do not have a "voice" in the decision making process to determine the services to be provided. NYSAC is currently working on much needed reform in the Pre-K program.

# of Children Enrolled:	2014	2015	2016
Early Intervention	120	130	140
Pre-K	425	422	419
# of Child Find cases	58	33	29

Transportation

Transportation continues to be provided by a municipal agreement with Wayne Finger Lakes BOCES acting as contractor for the county's school districts. The cooperation of Wayne Finger Lakes BOCES and the school districts in the transportation of Pre-K and EI children within the county has been a positive experience and has provided safe, dependable, cost efficient transportation. For out of county EI and Pre-K services children are currently transported mostly by Durham Transportation services. Parents may also choose to transport their children to and from services and receive reimbursement.

Public Health Education

Health education is the process of assisting individuals and groups to make informed decisions and build skills on matters affecting personal, family, and community health. Health education provides information about awareness and prevention, and spans the gap of knowledge between the consumer and the scientific community. All local health departments are required to provide health education services.

The Public Health Education team works with several Public Health programs and services to increase public awareness about local health issues, programs and events. The Public Health Educators perform a wide range of activities including: conducting educational programs and outreach events; writing press releases; coordinating and promoting special events; responding to public health alerts; posting website messages and updates; designing and developing health education materials for targeted populations; promoting health department programs and services; networking with agencies; and participating in community coalitions.



2016 program activities included:

- Participating in several health fairs at: GINNA, the Wayne County Fair, Red Creek Health Fair, the Senior Expo, Green Angels Holiday Health Fair.
- Participating on several Wayne County Coalitions/Networks/Groups such as: Finger Lakes Lead Coalition, Finger Lakes Breastfeeding Coalition, Head Start's Health and Nutrition Advisory committee, Wayne County Food Security group, Wayne County Chronic Disease and Diabetes Coalition, Wayne County Worksite Wellness Collaboration, Wayne County Agencies Network, Finger Lakes Health Educator's Group, Finger Lakes Safe KIDS Coalition, TACFL. Public Health Committees include: the Wayne Health Improvement Partnership (WHIP), Community Health Assessment Group, Health Services Advisory Board, Accreditation Team and the Quality Improvement Team.
- Participation in several regional activities with other health departments, as well as the S2AY Rural Health Network, such as: Regional Worksite Wellness Collaborative, Living Healthy Programs, Dental Steering Committee, Regional Public Health Educator meetings, S2AY NDPP meetings, and more.
- Completed various webinars and trainings.
- Collaborated with the WCSO to provide Narcan trainings to 20 school nurses and Hannick Hall staff.

- Maintain a Public Health Hotline, which allows residents to access instant information on Public Health “Hot Topics” such as summertime blue green algae blooms and seasonal influenza prevention and immunization information.
- Participated in two Emergency Preparedness / GINNA drills.
- Present monthly health topics to Hannick Hall, a local women’s addiction recovery center. Health topics include: healthy lifestyles, exercise and nutrition, body systems (cardiovascular, muscular, etc.), and dental health. Typically, new resident turn-over occurs every six months.
- Provide monthly health topic presentations at local senior nutrition sites in Palmyra and Wolcott. Health topics include: falls prevention, nutrition and exercise, dental health, and diabetes prevention and maintenance.
- Maintain the current Public Health Facebook page via weekly updates.
- Work with IT to maintain updates to the Wayne County Public Health webpage.
- Continued participation in the Tobacco Action Coalition of the Finger Lakes, as highlighted in the Tobacco Control section.
- Provided education to local providers via several opportunities; including the quarterly physicians meeting at Newark-Wayne Community Hospital, and the practice care manager’s monthly meeting.



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Public Health Preparedness

The objectives of Public Health Preparedness are to plan, prepare, and respond to public health emergencies, natural or man-made. Public Health Preparedness staff work with local, regional, State, and Federal partners to anticipate, manage, and mitigate such threats. WCPH staff were involved in the following preparedness activities for 2016:

- Epidemiology.
- Public Health Emergency Response Team and/or those who have an emergency response role attend several training activities.
- Clinical operation/medical counter measure operations trainings.
- Workshops and conference calls throughout the year as part of the state wide plan for preparedness.
- WCPH Preparedness continues to update the Public Health Emergency Preparedness and Response Plan (PHEPRP) and its 13 Appendix Plans throughout the year. These comprehensive plans strengthen the Departments ability to protect the health and wellbeing of Wayne County residents during disasters and ongoing public health crisis.
- WCPH continues to recruit and register volunteers on the ServNY Wayne County Volunteer list to augment the public health workforce to respond to emergencies.
- WCPH has established MOU's for Push POD's with partner agencies.

Public Health Finance

Article 6 State Aid: The 2015 State Aid Application was approved by the state on 7/29/2016. The NYSDOH approved up to \$621,105 in Article 6 eligible funding. This amount was a decrease of approximately \$35,000 in eligible reimbursement from last year due primarily to reduced budget expenses. In addition to the base grant, the state also reimbursed the county \$1439.83 in revenue offset. Like last year, this year's payment is a fixed amount distributed evenly between the four quarters; unlike previous years where the revenue offset was a rate determined by ineligible expenses as a percentage of the total expenses.

COLA Awards: In September, resolutions were also passed to accept COLA awards for Lead, IAP, and Rabies for \$3089, \$3863, and \$1270, respectively. These awards were all claimed in December 2016, and were used to cover expenses such as program salaries and fringe, lease, and other contractual obligations above and beyond the base grant appropriations.

Performance Incentive: Public Health was awarded \$16,000 by NYSDOH as a performance incentive for the continuance of last year's STD performance objectives. This award was added to our Article 6 State Aid base grant, increasing it from \$500,000 to \$516,000

D&TC (Diagnostic & Treatment Center) Cost Report: The D&TC cost report for 2015 was completed significantly earlier in the fiscal year this year, being issued in July. The cost report template from Venesky & Associates again used State Aid QERs as the basis for

expenditures. The Venesky group came on site to audit the records on 7/26/2016. The final report was submitted to Medicaid on 9/14/2016.

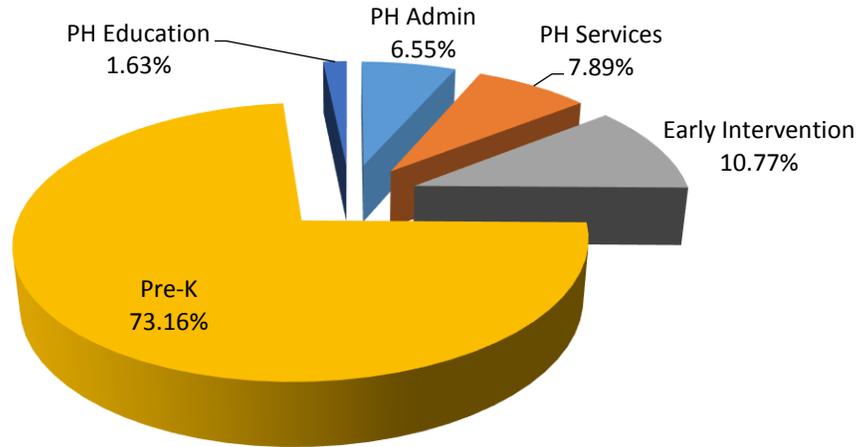
Pre-K: In May of this year, counties were notified by NYSDOH that CNYRIC would no longer be contracted to provide Pre K Medicaid billing services as of 3/31/2017. Because of this change counties would be required to facilitate their own Medicaid billing either through contracting their own 3rd party software or using NY Medicaid's web-based billing program. Because we have already been working with iSalus to implement an EMR that can bill Pre K Medicaid, we decided to continue with this route and will cease using CNYRIC in early 2017.

Also, this year it was also discovered that approximately 150 children from previous school years had not been billed for, primarily due to Medicaid records not being updated in the CNYRIC system. This back billing was completed and provided an additional \$125,000 in revenue.

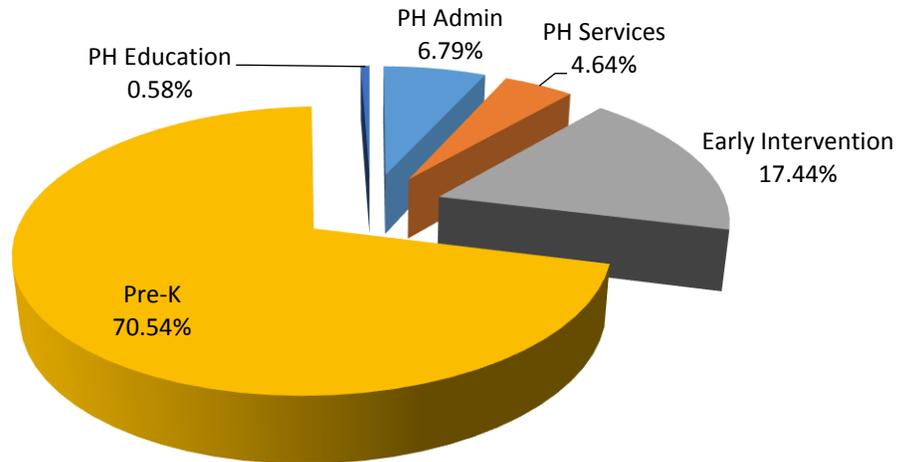
In October, we received the SSHSP Cost Report for the 2014-15 school year. This cost report was completed and submitted before the 12/31/2016 deadline.

2016 Public Health Department Expenses and County Cost

2016 PH Expenses \$8,606,029



2016 PH County Cost \$3,455,276



New York State Department of Health Geneva District Office Contribution to Wayne County Public Health Department 2016 Annual Report

In 1921, legislation was enacted that empowered New York State counties to create county health districts. The purpose of a county health district was to consolidate local authority for the oversight of public health work at the county level rather than having public health activities dispersed to the constituent county cities, towns, and villages. Counties were not required to create such health districts and, as time passed, it became evident that many rural counties (including Wayne) that had not formed a county health district would face increasing logistical and financial challenges that coincided with expanding public health needs and requirements. County health departments that operate in counties without county health districts are known as “partial services” county health departments.

As a matter of policy, not law, the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) addressed the need to preserve a baseline of environmental health programs and services in partial services counties by creating District Offices. Nine (9) district offices operate in New York State and in Wayne County; it is the NYSDOH Geneva District Office (GDO) that provides core environmental health programs and services to County residents and visitors. In partnership with Wayne County Public Health (WCPH) and other state and local agencies, the GDO enforces environmental health regulations and oversees a variety of programs that are designed to protect public health and safety. The attached pdf document provides a summary of the GDO’s duties and responsibilities and of the services that are provided to Wayne and to Ontario and Yates – the other two counties that are located within the GDO’s jurisdiction.

In addition to its core duties and responsibilities, highlights of the GDO’s activities in Wayne County during the 2016 calendar year included the following:

- Conducted 291 inspections at the County’s approximately 287 food service operations.
- Conducted 171 inspections at the County’s 138 migrant farmworker housing facilities.
- Conducted 5 inspections at the County’s 9 tanning facilities.
- Conducted 112 student aide compliance visits to tobacco retailers to ensure compliance with the Adolescent Tobacco Use Prevention Act (ATUPA).
- Investigated 30 complaints alleging sanitary code violations at mobile home parks, food service establishments, tanning facilities and smoking in the workplace in violation of the Clean Indoor Air Act.
- Work with WCPH to conduct lead based paint risk assessments at 2 private Wayne County residences in response to referrals of children with elevated blood lead levels as necessary.
- Issued 9 formal enforcement actions (Administrative Tribunal Notice of Hearing) to address violations of the NYS Sanitary Code at regulated facilities.
- Conducted 11 sanitary surveys (enhanced inspections) at community water systems and 21 sanitary surveys at regulated facilities with onsite water supplies.
- Assisted Wayne County schools with the implementation of the Lead in School Drinking Water Sampling and Reporting Program. Under the new legislation, all school districts and boards of cooperative educational services (BOCES) in New

York State are to test potable water systems for lead contamination and to take appropriate actions if lead levels found exceed standards.

- Provided technical assistance to the Wayne County Water & Sewer Authority regarding the consolidation of the Lyons Village and Macedon Village water systems into the Authority's systems.

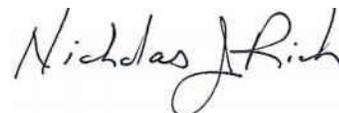
From January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2016 the Geneva District Office issued a total of two (2) Administrative Tribunal Notices of Hearing (enforcement actions) to the owners of tobacco retail outlets citing the illegal sale of tobacco products to individuals under eighteen years of age (2014 = 1; 2015 = 1; 2016 = 0). In all cases the Department's charges were sustained and a monetary penalty was imposed along with one or two points (depending on whether or not the person who committed the violation held a certificate of completion from a State-certified tobacco sales training program) was assigned to the dealer's record.

From January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2016 the Geneva District Office cited no owner of a tobacco retail outlet for the illegal sale of tobacco products to an individual under eighteen year of age for the second time within the above three-year period.

From January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2016 the Geneva District Office issued a total of one (1) formal enforcement actions (Administrative Tribunal Notice of Hearing) to the operators of one (1) public water supply for failure to submit monthly water system operation reports within required timeframes (2014 = 0; 2015 = 1; 2016 = 0).

During the reporting period, no trends or patterns were identified in any aspect of the District's delivery of its core environmental health programs and services including enforcement and compliance.

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The Geneva District Office is responsible for protecting public health and safety through the delivery of core environmental health programs and services and through the enforcement of environmental health regulations in Ontario, Wayne and Yates Counties. Duties and responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- 1) Issuing permits to the following types of regulated facilities:
 - a) Food Service Establishments
 - b) Temporary/Mobile Food Service Establishments
 - c) Children's Camps
 - d) Temporary Residences (Hotels, Motels, Cabins, etc.)
 - e) Campgrounds
 - f) Mobile Home Parks
 - g) Migrant Farmworker Housing
 - h) Agricultural Fairgrounds
 - i) Public Swimming Pool and Bathing Beaches
 - j) Recreational Aquatic Spraygrounds
 - k) Tanning Facilities
- 2) Conducting Plan Reviews and Approvals for:
 - a) All Regulated Facilities
 - b) Realty Subdivisions
 - c) Alternative Residential On-site Wastewater Treatment Systems
 - d) Public Water Systems
- 3) Conducting Inspections/Sanitary Surveys/Complaint Investigations at:
 - a) All Regulated Facilities
 - b) Public Water Systems
 - c) Public Water Systems at Agriculture & Markets licensed facilities
 - d) Public Water Systems at licensed Day Care facilities
- 4) Conducting Investigations of:
 - a) Drownings at Regulated Facilities
 - b) Food and Waterborne Illness Outbreaks
 - c) Injuries and Illness Outbreaks at Children's Camps
 - d) Environmental Conditions linked to children with elevated blood lead levels
- 5) Oversight of Tobacco Prevention Programs
 - a) ATUPA – Adolescent Tobacco Use Prevention Act
 - b) CIAA – Clean Indoor Air Act
- 6) Providing emergency response at incidents presenting biological, chemical or radiological exposures or physical injury hazards
- 7) Distribution and enforcement of the Commissioner of Health's Summary Orders (i.e. Bath Salts, Synthetic Cannabinoids, etc.)