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2019 Annual Report

Johnson County Department Of Health and Environment



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JCDHE Vision & Mission Statements

Our Vision:
The Innovative Leader for
Community Health
and Environmental Protection

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Our Mission:
To Protect the Health
and Environment,
Prevent Disease and Promote
Wellness for All who Live,
Work and Play in Johnson
County through
Exceptional Public Service

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Locations and Elected Officials

Johnson County Department of Health and Environment is designated as a Safe Haven Site for Newborns, where parents can safely hand over a newborn without prosecution.



It was my pleasure to serve as Interim Director of the Johnson County Department of Health and Environment (JCDHE) in 2019! Lougene Marsh, former director, left the department in July 2019 with 10 years of admirable and awe-inspiring public health work. I had some pretty big shoes to fill! I gladly accepted the challenge to support the department and want to thank all JCDHE staff for their support and great services to the community.

As this report highlights so many impactful activities, it is important to remember that each person in the department contributes to the JCDHE mission and vision, no matter what role they are in. I believe that public health is about "quality of life" and ensuring our residents have access to services that contribute to a great quality of life.

There are a myriad of programs and services provided each day by JCDHE and each of them contribute to public health in some way. From budgeting to meet the needs of the community and ensuring our performance is tracked and analyzed, we are responsibly living our mission.

Protecting infants through prenatal services and safe sleep education to childcare providers, providing chronic disease prevention classes, WIC services and outreach nursing to families and by strengthening our reach to ethnic minorities, JCDHE ensures services are available to the most vulnerable populations in our community. By improving clinical referrals through IRIS, serving as co-responders with EMS and Mental Health and assisting clients with ACA enrollment, we strive for a cohesive public health and healthcare system shared by all.

Through collaborative efforts with community partners and innovation, JCDHE has promoted access to local-healthy foods, worked to reduce food waste in schools and businesses, strengthened sustainability through a new solid waste management plan and raised awareness of disparities in the community through a community health dashboard of relevant and timely data.

As we continue to innovate and evaluate our programs to better serve the community, JCDHE will continue to work hard to attain our vision of being "The Innovative Leader for Community Health and Environmental Protection". Let's all continue this journey together!

Mary Beverly, Deputy Director



Disease Containment works to prevent, contain, and control the transmission of disease, including tuberculosis (TB), through education and investigation of disease patterns in our community.

Immunizations provides adult, childhood, school, and travel immunizations for vaccine-preventable diseases.

Prenatal is designed to improve pregnancy outcomes for mother and infant, promote early and ongoing prenatal, postpartum and newborn care.

Women's/Men's Health offers family planning, maternal health, sexually transmitted disease testing and treatment, colposcopy and employment physicals.

Laboratory Services supports clinical services providing testing and specimen collection.

Public Health Emergency Program works towards continual readiness related to large-scale disease outbreaks, natural or man-made in Johnson County.

Air Quality Program contracts with the Kansas Department of Health & Environment to conduct inspections and ensure compliance with federal/state air quality regulations.

Household Hazardous Waste allows County residents to bring in their unwanted hazardous materials, at no charge, for safe disposal, recycling or reuse.

On-Site Wastewater Treatment ensures that on-site septic systems are properly designed and operated.

The Pool Program licenses commercially-operated swimming pools and operators, ensuring adherence to the Environmental Sanitary Code.

The Solid Waste Program inspects, monitors, permits and conducts oversight activities pertaining to all County solid waste management facilities.

Epidemiology Services offers information and data on the factors that influence the health of the population.

Child Care Licensing provides health and safety information and educational classes to child care providers and parents. Completes initial, annual and compliance check visits to all licensed child care facilities. Make recommendations regarding licensure and investigates child care facility complaints. Coordinates annual school inspections.

Chronic Disease Prevention Program is designed to diminish the incidence of chronic disease through tobacco cessation and promotion of good nutrition practices and active living habits. Also offered: The Diabetes Prevention Program and the Chronic Disease Self Management Program.

WIC prevents or corrects nutrition-related health issues through education and counseling, health screenings and the means to buy nutritious foods.

Johnson County Food Policy Council's mission is to create a just, equitable and sustainable food system accessible to all in Johnson County through policy recommendations, education and collaborative work.

Targeted Case Management services to pregnant and parenting teens who are on Medicaid and under the age of 21.

Outreach Nurse services include screenings, assessments, education, resource information and referral services to seniors and new mothers.

Nurse Family Partnership partners registered nurses with first time, low income mothers to enhance pregnancy outcomes and child health and development.

Safe Kids Johnson County works to prevent childhood injuries through education and events.

Medical Examiner's Office (MEO) investigates deaths that occur in the county. Investigations may include medical record review, external examination, radiography, toxicology and/or autopsy. Following investigation, the MEO determines cause and manner of death and certifies the death certificate.

Student Internships offers undergraduate and graduate students the opportunity to learn about the various aspects of public health.

DHE Client Visits		
	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
WIC Clients	8,892	8,152
Vaccinations Administered	23,152	25,030
Prenatal Clients/Visits	423 / 4,014	371 / 2,525
Laboratory Services In-house/Offsite	13,498 / 20,294	12,477 / 20,294
Disease Containment Investigations	2,980	6,537
Child Care Visits/Facilities	1,745 / 1,006	1,597 / 914
Outreach Nurse Senior Visits/Mother Baby	465 / 262	395 / 339
Targeted Case Management Visits	292	197
Nurse Family Partnership Visits	1,403	1,469

- The Medical Examiner’s Office (MEO) investigated 728 cases from May-December and provided education regarding proper reporting to the MEO with law enforcement, fire/EMS, hospitals and hospice agencies regarding death scene investigation.
- A social media campaign was created to advertise WIC services on Facebook and Instagram, making it easier for people to apply, spurring the applications of 37 new families.
- Child Care Licensing staff trained over 160 providers in Safe Sleep, center regulations, art, home regulations, signs and symptoms of illness, injury prevention, sanitation and environmental health.
- The Johnson County Food Policy Council’s work over the past five years was highlighted at the 50th Environmental Design Research Association Conference.

- During the ACA Open Enrollment period, JCDHE’s Certified Application Counselor assisted 434 clients via in-person, phone calls and emails.
- The Integrated Referral and Intake System (IRIS) was implemented July 1st with 14 community partners and by the end of the year had grown to include 35 partners.
- The Early Detection Works (EDW) program served 122 women, conducting clinical breast exams and cervical cancer screenings.
- The 2019 Solid Waste Management Plan was completed. The five year plan outlines the strategies and actions of the Solid Waste Program.
- The Air Quality Program successfully procured the County’s first electric car. A Nissan Leaf was purchased with grant funds and is an example of the commitment to move towards a “green” fleet of vehicles.
- Efforts around reducing vaping included a “Train the Trainer” session and a Community Roundtable. Four new anti-vape youth chapters for advocacy (RESIST) were also launched.
- The Strategic Planning Division organized and submitted documentation for JCDHE’s reaccreditation from the Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB).

DHE 2019 Revenue			
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
County Funds	\$7,881,947	\$9,267,438	\$9,670,149
Grant Funds	\$6,088,163	\$4,990,295	\$5,298,558
Fees Collected	\$2,022,441	\$2,197,693	\$2,364,511
Total	\$15,992,551	\$16,455,426	\$17,333,218