

We are Public Health

Public Health is about focused community efforts to prevent disease and promote health.

It is what we do with our community partners to ensure conditions that support health.

Public health is a scientific discipline that includes the study of **epidemiology** (disease and illness), **statistics** (keeping track of all of our numbers) and **assessment** (looking at our community and clients to determine what they need), as well as **program planning** and **policy development**.

In short, it's what our community does to keep itself healthy.



Julie E. Miller, MSN
Health Commissioner



Public Health
Prevent. Promote. Protect.

We Serve Everyone

Services at the Knox County Health Department are available to everyone, regardless of income, age, race or sex. We serve **everyone: the poor and the wealthy; the young and the old, the insured, the uninsured and the under-insured.**

Our Mission

The Knox County Health Department is committed to **promoting** healthy lifestyles, **preventing** illness and **protecting** the environment for our community.

Our Vision

The Knox County Health Department **will continue to be a leader** in public health by **addressing community health issues** through **proactive solutions** so that **all residents** may experience **optimal personal health** and a **safe environment**.

Birth & Death Records

The Knox County Health Department **houses birth and death records for the county, dating back to December 1908.**

If a person was born or has died in Knox County, the record is available from our vital statistics office.

Additionally, **birth certificates from other Ohio counties are now available** from the vital statistics office via online records through the Ohio Department of Health.



Only certified copies of birth and death records are available.

There is a fee. Payment is due at time of request.

There is a form to complete. Requests are fulfilled immediately.

The form can also be obtained on our website.

A certified copy of a birth or death certificate can be purchased Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. or until 5:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday of every month. Requests are also taken by mail when accompanied by a payment and the completed request form.

Hours of Operation

Monday through Friday

8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Closed for all Federal Holidays

Community Health Clinics

8 a.m. - 12 p.m. & 1 - 4:30 p.m.

Clinic open until 6 p.m.

Third Tuesday of every month

Dental Clinic open until 5:30

Monday through Friday

Phone numbers

Main Phone 740-392-2200

Health Clinic 740-399-8009

Dental Clinic 740-399-8008

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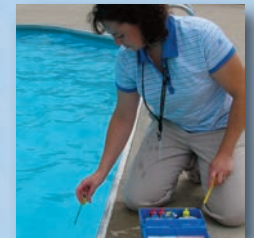
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The Knox County Health Department accepts cash, checks and credit/debit cards for payment of all services.

KNOX COUNTY Health Department

Promotion,
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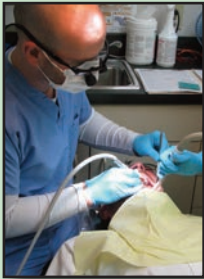
Prevent illness & disease

Community Health Clinic

- **Immunizations** for adults and children including all shots for school; Plus shots for **Flu, Pneumonia, Shingles** and **Hepatitis A and B**
- **Tetanus** and **TB Testing**
- **HIV** and **STD testing** and **counseling**
- **Blood Pressure** and **Diabetic Screenings**
- All services available by appointment
- **Sliding Fee Scale, Medicaid** and **most insurance plans accepted**



Dental Clinic



- **Full-Time Dentist** and **dental hygienist**
- Routine dental care for **adults** and **children**
- Including **Fillings, Sealants, Cleanings, and Extractions**
- **Sliding Fee Scale, Medicaid** and **some insurance plans accepted**

Home Health Care

- **Skilled Nursing**
- **Physical, Speech, and Occupational Therapy** daily PT for joint replacement patients
- **Disease Management** including **Diabetes, Parkinson's, COPD, Cancer**
- **Home Health Aides**
- **Registered Nurse On Call** 24 hrs a day/7 days a wk.
- Home Health should always be **YOUR CHOICE**; an agency should never be assigned to you.



Promote healthy lifestyles & resources

WIC

WOMEN, INFANTS & CHILDREN



- For **Pregnant, Breastfeeding or Postpartum Mothers** and their **Children, up to age 5**
- **Nutrition Education**
- **Breastfeeding Support**
- **Supplementary Food Coupons** for use at area grocery stores and farmer's markets

BCMH

BUREAU FOR CHILDREN WITH MEDICAL HANDICAPS

- Promotes **Early Identification** and **Treatment of Children who have Special Needs**
- **Assists Parents** with **Insurance, Schools, Physicians, Pharmacies, Hospitals and Medical Supplies**
- Includes **Diagnosis, Treatment, Service Coordination**
- **Helps Families Obtain Payment for Services**



Health Education

- **Presentations** for **Classrooms, Youth Groups, Organizations, and Other Adult Groups**
- **Smoking Cessation** Classes and **One-on-One Counseling**
- **Child Car Seat** Distribution and **Installation Inspections**
- Promote **traffic safety, radon testing, personal hygiene, nutrition** and other health and safety behaviors



Protect food, water & the environment

Food Safety

- **Inspection and Licensing** for all **Food Services, Food Establishments** and **Vending Operations**
- Investigation of all reported **food borne illnesses**
- Offer **ServSafe Classes** and **Person In Charge Training**



Water Safety



- Issuing of **Permits, Approval, Consultation and Inspection of Home Sewage Systems**
- Issuing of **Permits, Inspection, and Testing of New Water Wells**
- **Water Sampling** of existing **Private Water Wells**

Inspection & Investigation

- **Public Swimming Pools, Bathing Beaches** and **Spas**
- **Tattoo & Body Piercing Parlors**
- Reported **Animal Bites** and **Rabies Control**
- **Radon Testing** and **Lead Poisoning Prevention**

Emergency Preparedness

- **Comprehensive Planning** for **Public Health Emergencies** and **Disasters**
- **Coordination of Medical Reserve Corps (MRC)**
- Develop **Crisis Communication Plans** and **Procedures**
- Annual **Full-Scale Exercises** and **Drills** with **Community Partners**

