

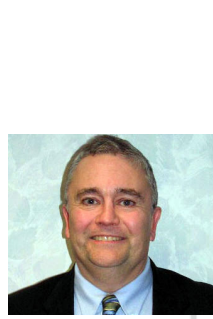
Geauga County General Health District

Health District Advisory Council

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Board of Health

One Board member is appointed annually for a five year term. Board members serve as advocates for public health services and programs. This Board is a quasi-judicial, policy development body tasked with determining, setting and monitoring public health policy. They are responsible for adopting the annual budget and ensuring adequate funding for the Health District.



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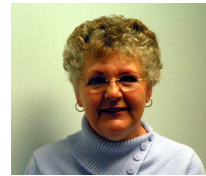
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Personal Health Services (440) 279-1950

- Adult Immunization Clinics
- BCMH Home Visits
- Children & Adolescent Immunization Clinics
- Communicable Disease Surveillance
- Illness & Disease Reporting
- Influenza (seasonal & pandemic flu) Clinics
- Health Promotion & Education
- Maternal & Newborn Home Visits
- School Health Services & Coordination
- Senior Clinics & Health Education
- TB Testing & Surveillance
- Walk-in Pregnancy Testing
- Well Child Clinics
- Women, Infant's & Children (WIC)



Environmental Health Division (440) 279-1900

- Animal Bite Investigation
- County Camp & RV Park Inspections
- Manufactured Home Park Inspections
- Nuisance Complaint Investigations
- Plumbing Permits & Inspections
- Potable Water Hauler Permits & Inspections
- Private Water Well Permits & Inspections
- Rabies Prevention & Surveillance
- Retail Food Establishment Inspections
- Restaurant / Food Service Inspections
- Temporary & Mobile Food Service Inspections
- School Environmental Inspections
- Semi-Public Sewage Certificates & Inspections
- Septage Land Application Site Inspections
- Septic Tank Cleaner Permits & Inspections
- Sewage Treatment Permits & Inspections
- For Sale of Property Permits & Inspections
- Solid & Infectious Waste Inspections
- Swimming Pool Inspections
- Tattoo & Body Piercing Permits & Inspections
- Vending Machine Inspections



Vital Statistics (440) 279-1902

- Birth Certificates
- Death Certificates
- Burial Permits
- Administration**
- Registrar
- Fiscal Coordinator
- Computer Systems Support
- Community Health Assessment
- Bio-terrorism & Public Health Emergency Planning and Response



2010 Geauga County General Health District Annual Report

The Geauga County Health District is dedicated to providing public health services by **detecting**, **educating** and **preventing** personal and environmental health problems in our community.

A Note from the Health Commissioner

The Geauga County General Health District has seen many changes in state and federal level, which has forced us to adapt to rule changes and unfunded mandates. The economic climate similarly has forced us to do more with less. On the surface, this reality has become a challenge for the entire population. However, doing more with less can cause delays and decrease efficiency. As with many local government agencies, we have had to reshape our priorities, identifying and focusing resources on the most important issues facing the public's health. The down sizing of any organization will increase the waiting time one has to expect.

Sewage and water well permits in Geauga County have fallen significantly because of the combined effect of the sluggish economic and revised sewage laws. We have witnessed new sewage regulations negatively affecting home building in Geauga since its initial publication in 2007. Despite efforts to minimize the potential effect on residents, the cost of new or replacement sewage systems will escalate dramatically when new standards are implemented in 2012 due to a vast array of administrative rules being written this year.

Other Environmental Health programs have remained relatively stable during the last few years. However, we have seen tremendous increase in volume of clients for our personal health services and Women Infants and Children (WIC). At the same time, state funding for these programs have been shifted to other programs or evaporated making it difficult to sustain the vital services.

On a brighter note, our Vital Statistics department is now capable of providing birth records for anyone born in Ohio since 1908, reducing the burden of travelling to the county of birth or delays due to processing mail orders. Our county is one of the first few approved for statewide issuance. We see this as a positive step to assist residents in Geauga County.

Over the past three years, we have decreased our staffing in a belt tightening effort. However, economic challenges and programmatic priorities at the state level have contributed to increase workload for everyone at the health district. Our staff remains committed to helping the public in providing beneficial programs to the residents.



Robert K. Weisdack
Health Commissioner



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Residential Sewage Treatment

The Geauga County Health District regulates household sewage treatment systems for one, two, and three family residences in Geauga County. Approximately 70% of the homes in the county utilize individual household sewage systems. In 2010, the Health District issued 257 permits for sewage systems, including new homes and replacement systems for existing homes. All homes sold in Geauga County are required to have a point of sale inspection of the sewage system by the Health District.

2010 New & Alteration Permits	
# of Permits	Type of Sewage System
134	Septic tanks followed by leach trenches
2	Pre-treatment followed by leach trenches
9	Septic tank to drip distribution
8	Pre-treatment to drip distribution
84	EPA NPDES permit to discharge
7	Septic tank/pretreatment to a mound
2	Miscellaneous
11	Alteration Permits
257	Total Permits

2010 For Sale of Property					
System type	Total Tested	Pass	Mal-functioning	% Pass	% Mal-functioning
Off-lot discharging systems					
1000 Gallon tank & filter bed	8	3	5	38%	62%
2-1000 gallon tanks & subsurface sand filter	6	4	2	67%	33%
NSF Class 1 Aerator, Surface Sand filter & disinfection	27	27	0	100%	0%
Other Off-lot systems	7	6	1	86%	14%
On-lot dispersal systems					
2-1000 gallon tanks & split trench fields	209	206	3	98.5%	1.5%
2-1000 gallon tanks & 500' trench (pre-1982)	97	92	5	95%	5%
Mound	3	3	0	100%	0%
Miscellaneous on-lot systems	14	13	1	86%	14%
Total system inspections	371	354	17	95%	5%

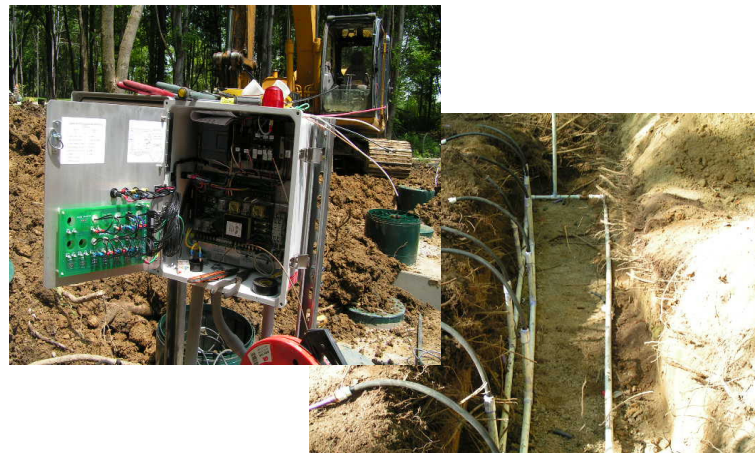
A sewage permit must be obtained from the Health District prior to the installation or alteration of the sewage system. Prior to issuance of a permit, the Health District staff conducts a site evaluation of the property. All lots in new subdivisions must be evaluated and approved before any sewage permits are issued. Sewage systems are inspected at the time of installation to assure compliance with the sewage rules.

This department maintains records on systems installed in the county. Homeowners can obtain information and drawings of their sewage system by calling the office. We can assist by educating homeowners about components, location, operation and maintenance of their sewage system.

Maintaining the sewage system is the responsibility of each homeowner. This requires periodic pumping of the septic tanks, cleaning and maintaining filters, alternating the use of leach trench fields where applicable, maintaining electrical components such as aerators and pumps, and maintaining disinfection units. Every homeowner needs to monitor what enters the septic system and goes out into the soil and the environment.

Environmental Health Services Summary 2010

Plumbing Permits	271
Plumbing Inspections.....	600
Private Water System Permits	172
Private Water System	
Samples/Inspections	502
Semi-Public Sewage Certificates	520
Semi-Public Sewage Inspections.....	234
Sewage Permits.....	257
Sewage Inspections	594
Sewage Lot Evaluation Permits	207
Sewage Lot Evaluations	368
Service Provider Registration	56
For Sale of Property Permits	359
For Sale of Property Inspections.....	1,068
Solid/Infectious Waste Inspections ...	145
Animal Bite Investigations.....	213
Rabies Specimens Processed	67
Positive Rabies Cases in Animals.....	0
County & State Camp Inspections	25
Manufactured Home Park	11
Nuisance Complaint Inspections	39
School Inspections	31
Swimming Pool & Spa Inspections	77
Food Service Protection	
Mobile, Temp & Vending Permits.....	190
FSO & RFE Permits	404
Food Service Operation Inspect.....	1,143
Vending Machine Inspections	31
Retail Food Establishment Inspect	421
Mobile & Temporary Inspections.....	194



Private Water Systems

The private water system program is dedicated to the preservation of our valuable ground water resources as well as assuring that we have safe drinking water. The Ohio Department of Health is in the process of rewriting the private water systems rules in order to provide us with the most current guidelines to insure the success of the program. This covers all aspects of the process from proper siting of the well, drilling, installation of the components, sampling the water, sealing abandoned wells and registration of water system contractors.

Permits must be obtained from the Health Department prior to drilling, altering or sealing a well. Once the work is completed the system is inspected and the water is sampled and tested for the presence of bacteria. If bacteria are present, it can be removed by disinfecting the well with common household bleach. In rare instances, treatment systems may be required to solve persistent bacteria problems.

Overall Geauga County has an adequate quantity and quality of ground water to supply our needs. The private water systems program enables us to preserve this resource for a long time to come.

In 2010, the Health district issued 172 private water well permits and conducted 502 water sample testing and well inspections. For more information on the private water systems program please visit the health district web site.

2010 Financial Report

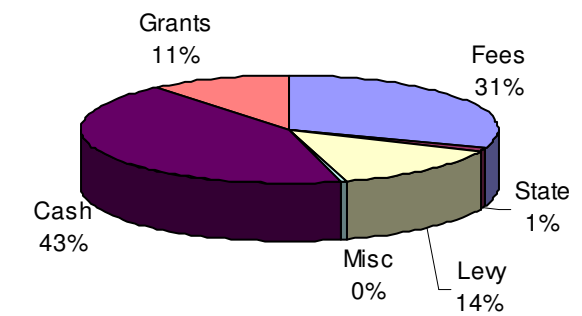
Revenue

Fees	\$ 336,354
Township Assessment.....	0
State Subsidy	15,892
Levy	639,064
Miscellaneous.....	4,297
Cash Carryover	496,344
Grant Reimbursements	599,271
Total Receipts	\$ 2,091,222

Expenditures

Personnel Costs	\$ 1,100,830
Supplies	8,306
Vaccine	19,463
Equipment.....	1,747
Maintenance & Repair	4,404
Contract service	0
Remit to State	68,474
Lab Fees	0
Travel & Training	10,017
Advertise/Printing	1,275
Other	33,445
Total Expenditures	\$ 1,247,961
Grant Revenues	661,079
Grant Expenditures	733,362

Revenue



Employees by Division

Personal Health Services.....	7
Administration & Vital Statistics	5
Environmental Health	11
Women, Infant, Children.....	4
Total Employees.....	27

Vital Statistics

The Geauga County Health District Office of Vital Statistics records all birth and death occurrences in Geauga County.

In 2010, there were 1,284 births including 643 females and 641 males. Of these, 1,129 births were born at UH Geauga Medical Center, 138 births were at Middlefield Care Center and there were 17 home births. There 12 more births in 2010 compared to 2009.

There were 693 deaths recorded in Geauga County for 2010, an increase of 80 since 2009. There were 7 fetal deaths, an increase of 3 since 2009. There were 7 child fatalities that will be reviewed by the Child Fatality Review Board. The Medical Director reviewed 680 death certificates and compiled the following leading causes of death in Geauga County.

2010 Leading Causes of Death

Vascular (Heart Disease 166)	177
Cancer (Lung 41, Breast 18)	153
Neurologic (Dementia 98, CVD/CVA 42)	148
Infection (Pneumonia 41)	75
Pulmonary (COPD 30, Asthma 1)	31

Certified copies of birth and death records are available at our office or by mail for \$23 each. Debit cards incur \$2.50 processing fee and credit cards incur a \$7.00 per order processing fee.

Public Health Emergency Preparedness

The Geauga County General Health District continues to be actively involved in emergency preparedness planning for Geauga County. We coordinate our plans with other health departments in Northeast Ohio, local hospitals, emergency services, law enforcement, fire departments, schools, the American Red Cross and other agencies. Planning includes a wide range of emergencies such as: natural disasters, severe weather conditions, environmental emergencies, chemical disasters, disease outbreaks such as the H1N1 Flu Pandemic, and mass casualties. In 2010, the Health District staff was involved in the following emergency planning projects:

- Presented preparedness information sessions to community groups
- Distributed over nearly 2,500 H1N1 vaccinations bringing the total 2009 H1N1 effort to more than 14,500 vaccinations
- Distributed Potassium Iodide to residents and businesses of Thompson Ohio
- Tested our emergency plans by participating in emergency seminars, workshops, tabletops and drills with community partners across Northeast Ohio
- Provided the health district staff with incident management training
- Continued recruiting Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) volunteers for Geauga County
- Purchased supplies to establish an emergency vaccination or medication distribution clinic
- Increased the level of security in Building 8 for health department staff, vaccines and other crucial supplies.
- Continued meeting with regional and local partners to establish local and regional plans to include:
 - ⇒ First Responder Distribution Plan
 - ⇒ Specials Needs Population Plan
 - ⇒ Mass Vaccination Plan
 - ⇒ Continuity of Operations Plan
 - ⇒ Geauga County Health District Communicable Disease Policy
 - ⇒ Emergency Response Plan



Being prepared for any emergency, whether it is a house fire, power outage, snowstorm, disease pandemic or terrorist attack requires planning. We urge members of the Geauga County community to take the time to work out a disaster plan and to gather supplies to keep in your home and workplace. It is important to include your household members in this plan so that everyone will know what to do, where to go, and how to communicate in an emergency.

Women, Infants & Children (WIC)

WIC, the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children, is a fundamental part of Ohio's public health system and is intended to reach income eligible pregnant, postpartum and breastfeeding women, infants and children up to the age of five with a health or nutrition risk. The Geauga WIC Program provides nutritious foods, nutrition education and referral services to prenatal and pediatric health care and human service programs. New food packages this year provide a wider variety of foods including fruits and vegetables and whole grains, based on recommendations from the 2005 Dietary Guidelines for Americans. From June to October, the WIC Farmers Market Nutrition Program supports local farmers by offering Ohio grown fresh fruits and vegetables to our participants.

Breastfeeding education and support is provided by an experienced lactation consultant. An emphasis is placed on the benefits of breastfeeding to all participating pregnant women. A Breastfeeding Peer Helper Program provides mother to mother breastfeeding support. The Peer Helper Program is new to Geauga WIC in 2010 and is designed to increase breastfeeding initiation and duration rates. In addition, breastfeeding aids such as breast pumps may be provided to eligible mothers returning to work or school. Infant formulas are also available as needed.

Nutrition education and counseling is provided by the licensed dietitians on staff. Special attention is being given to address the increase in childhood obesity by providing nutritional and behavioral intervention, and as well as physician referrals for children identified at a higher risk for health related complications. Our community is healthier and better served because of WIC's relationship with a broad network of local partners, referral services and partnership with various Ohio Department of Health programs.

Gauga WIC and University Hospitals Rainbow Injury Prevention Center collaborated to offer low cost car seats to 63 income eligible families this past year. In addition, Geauga WIC offers free car seat inspections through the Health District to anyone in the community and provided 13 inspections this year through our certified car seat technician. Geauga WIC also participates in various health fairs and provides a poison safety class to the Geauga County Safety Town programs.

WIC offers three convenient clinic locations for Geauga County residents in Chardon, Middlefield and Chagrin Falls. More information is available online at <http://geaugacountyhealth.org> or by contacting the WIC office at (440) 279-1936.



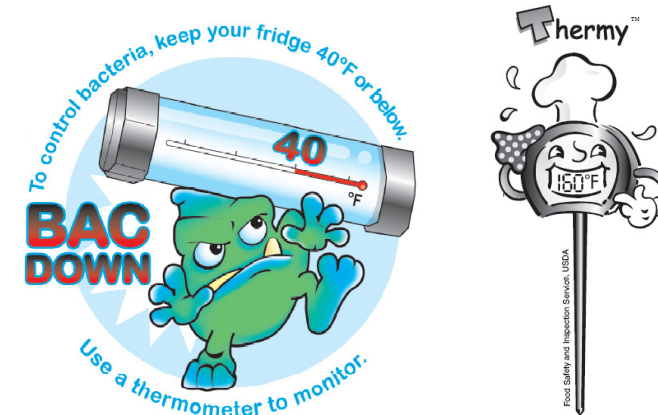
Rabies Surveillance

The Geauga County Health Department has once again teamed up with the Ohio Department of Health and the USDA Wildlife Services to monitor and prevent the spread of rabies across the State. Various species of wild mammals continue to be collected and tested for the presence of the rabies virus. In addition, rabies vaccine baits have been distributed across parts of the county to target the wild raccoon population. These efforts combined with pet owners who have their pets vaccinated have proven successful, as there were no reported cases of rabies in Geauga County in 2010.

The Health District also monitors animal bite incidents. There were a total of 182 bite incident reports in 2010, most of which involved domestic dogs and cats. Anyone who is bitten or scratched should seek medical attention and report the incident to the Health District.

Education and common sense are the best line of defense in limiting the probability of bite incidents. Have your pets vaccinated and stay away from wild animals, strays and domestic pets that you are unsure of.

The Geauga County Health District has educational materials available and can answer any questions you may have concerning rabies.



Food Program Division

The goal of the Food Safety Division of the Geauga County Health District is to ensure that safe and wholesome food is provided to the public. Locations that sell food to the public such as restaurants, grocery stores, mobile food stands, temporary food stands, farmer's markets, and vending machines must fulfill the requirements set forth in the Ohio Revised Code and the Ohio Uniform Food Safety Code. A license is purchased from the Geauga County Health District and inspections are routinely conducted to ensure compliance with the rules of the Ohio Uniform Food Safety Code. Inspection frequency is based upon state law and is determined by risk classification of the facility. Areas addressed during an inspection include staff hygiene, food handling, physical facilities, and general sanitation practices.

In addition to educating the operators of the food facilities during inspections and completing several personalized consultations, the department offered a ServSafe seminar on food safety. We held the ServSafe seminar on May 17th and 18th and over thirty people attended this class. This class is designed to give restaurant staff and managers the knowledge to make their food establishments a safer place for their customers. The health department staff also provided food safety education to the public and answered their many questions. When a food borne outbreak is suspected, it is investigated, food and stool specimens are collected, and laboratory tests are conducted. There were no major foodborne outbreaks in Geauga County in 2010.

Each inspector in this division takes a minimum of eighteen hours of accredited continuing education each year and routinely works with the Ohio Department of Health and the Ohio Department of Agriculture for updates on rule changes and state or nationwide recalls of food products. The Food Safety Division staff also attends The Northeast Ohio Food Roundtable meetings where area health departments along with state inspectors discuss public health issues that may specifically affect Northeast Ohio.

Solid Waste Program

The Geauga County Health District works in cooperation with the Geauga-Trumbull Solid Waste District and Ohio EPA to inspect and enforce regulation of scrap tire generators, large and small infectious waste generators, closed landfills, compost sites, solid waste transporters and solid waste nuisance sites. The solid waste district employs a part-time deputy sheriff's to enforce compliance with the solid waste rules. In Geauga County there are (4) scrap tire waste generators, (4) large infectious waste generators, (2) closed landfills, and (12) compost sites.



In 2010, the Geauga-Trumbull Solid Waste District held an appliance collection and a hazardous waste collection events, as well as regular collection hours at the recycling facility in Warren. In all, the district collected:

Twp. Scrap Tire Collections	7,800 tires	Antifreeze.....	200 gallons
Scrap Appliances.....	29,460 lbs	Alkaline Batteries.....	387 lbs
Freon units recycled	169	Lead acid batteries.....	200 lbs
Oil	2,500 gallons	Pesticides & herbicides	739 lbs
Paint	513 lbs	Solvents	389 lbs
CFL bulbs	92	Mercury	20 lbs

Recycling drop-off sites scattered through townships in Geauga collected 1,646.61 tons of commingled recyclables.

Events scheduled for 2011 include: appliance collection 4/9; household hazardous waste 4/17; document destruction 5/14; e-Waste 6/11; all events 9:00 am to 12:00 noon at the Geauga County Engineers yard at 12665 Merritt Road, Chardon, Ohio. The Geauga-Trumbull Solid Waste District operates a Household Hazardous Waste Recycling Facility at 5138 Enterprise Blvd. in Warren, Ohio that is open to Geauga County residents on Wednesdays from 10:00am to 6:00pm from May 4, 2010 to September 28. It is also open to residents on three Saturday mornings in 2011, including May 7, June 4, and August 6, from 9:00am to 12:00 noon. Visit the waste district website online at <http://www.startrecycling.com> for more information and complete schedules for Geauga and Trumbull counties.



The Personal Health Services Division of the Geauga County Health District is responsible for maintaining a healthy and prepared community through various programs. Our focus is on prevention, and many of our services are offered at different locations throughout the county, as well as limited home visits. The following is a summary of our programs and those who are served through them.

2011 Children's Immunization Clinics

Free to Geauga County residents regardless of income. Out of county residents are charged \$5.00 per child.

Chardon

Geauga County Health District
470 Center St. Bldg 8, Chardon, OH 44024
1st Wednesday - 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM

Chardon Evening

Geauga County Health District
470 Center St. Bldg 8, Chardon, OH 44024
2nd Thursday - 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Middlefield

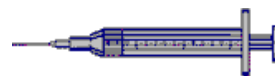
St. Lucy Mission
16280 Kinsman Rd. (Rt. 87 East of 608)
Middlefield, OH 44062
2nd Wednesday - 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM
AND
3rd Wednesday - 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM

Middlefield Evening

St. Lucy Mission
16280 Kinsman Rd. (Rt. 87 East of 608)
Middlefield, OH 44062
3rd Thursday - 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Newbury

Grace Evangelical Bible Church
14951 Auburn Rd. Newbury, OH 44065
4th Wednesday - 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM



Friday Morning Clinic Adult Immunizations TB Testing

Blood Pressure Screening
Geauga County Health District
470 Center St. Bldg 8, Chardon, OH 44024
Fridays — 8:30 am to 11:00 am

There are no clinics on public holidays
Inclement weather: when local schools are closed where the children and adolescent clinic is scheduled, they are cancelled as well.

Children's Services

Bureau for Children with Medical Handicaps (BCMh): An Ohio Department of Health (ODH) program with the goal of assuring that children with special health care needs receive comprehensive, coordinated care. Public health nurses are the local contact for families, and provide early identification, evaluation, and referral for qualifying children from birth to 21 years of age. The family receives culturally competent services from public health nurses, which includes child assessments, developing care plans, health promotion, and advocacy. In 2010, the public health nurses made 88 home visits to children who qualified for this program.

Immunization Clinics for Children and Adolescents: Public health nurses hold monthly children and adolescent immunizations clinics at four locations in Geauga County. These are walk-in clinics that require no appointment. Immunizations are free of charge to Geauga County residents. The Ohio Department of Health (ODH) supplies vaccines for these clinics. In 2010, 4,544 immunizations were administered to 1,973 children at 71 clinics.

Lead Program: The Personal Health Services (PHS) division and Ohio Department of Health (ODH) collaborate to provide prevention and remediation services to children with Elevated Blood Lead (EBL). Public health nurses conduct case management activities, including contacting families of children with elevated lead levels, and providing educational and medical recommendations. ODH conducts surveillance activities. Lead level screenings are provided to children at well children clinics and individually in high-risk situations. In 2010, the nurses completed 67 lead screenings.

Maternal/Newborn Home Visiting: Public health nurses visit new mothers and their infants. A home visit includes an evaluation of the mother's recovery, assessment of the infant's early growth and development, information on a variety of preventive health issues, and referrals to other community agencies. Due to drastic state budget cuts, funding from ODH "Help Me Grow" program was eliminated in 2010. Recognizing the importance of maternal and child health, the Geauga County Board of Health funded this important service. In 2010, the nurses made 102 home visits to families in the county, and collected blood specimens on 8 newborns for screening.

School Services: The health district provides public health nurses that assist with health record management, vision screenings, and health care referrals for Geauga County schools with less than 100 students. Currently, there are 45 parochial schools in Geauga County. In 2010, nurses made 39 school visits and saw 1,828 students. The public health nurses network with school nurses at public and other private schools regarding outbreak surveillance, vaccination for students, and information regarding child health issues. Public health nurses meet with public school nurses twice a year to collaborate on related issues.

SIDS Home Visits: The health district provides public health nurses that visit families who have lost an infant unexpectedly. During these visits, nurses provide support, information, and referral services to bereaved families, providing the opportunity to express their feelings in a safe and non-judgmental environment.

Vision Program: The health district partners with the Prevent Blindness Ohio to provide their Vision Service Plan (VSP) to qualifying families in Geauga County, including those without insurance who do not qualify for federal aid. Public health nurses can identify a family in need and arrange for this service. This plan provides an eye examination by an licensed optometrist who can prescribe glasses, contact lenses, vision therapy, or vision treatment. In 2010, 338 children were seen and 249 VSP referrals made.

Well Child Services: The health district provides well child clinics in Middlefield for children whose families meet certain financial guidelines or lack adequate health insurance. Public health nurses provide health screening to children for development, dental, lead, anemia, vision, hearing, and nutrition. Health education is provided to family members. A physical examination is performed by a licensed physician and public health nurses give immunizations. This service is supported by funding from the Child and Family Health Services (CFHS) grant administered by the Ohio Department of Health that served 228 children at 15 clinics in 2010.

Adult Services

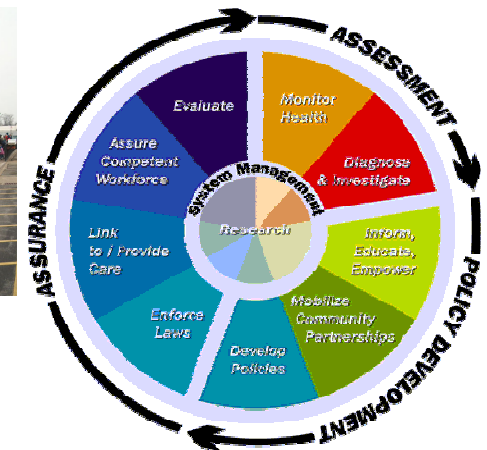
Communicable Disease Investigation: The Personal Health Services (PHS) division provides surveillance of communicable diseases reported in Geauga County in compliance with the Ohio Department of Health Infectious Disease reporting requirements and CDC recommendations. The disease surveillance specialist and public health nurses perform investigations on diseases that pose a public health threat due to their communicability or virulence. PHS collaborates with the Environmental Health (EH) division when a food borne illness outbreak is suspected. In addition, PHS division provides information and data collection for any possible or confirmed vector-borne disease in collaboration with EH. Included in this category of diseases is West Nile virus, Lyme disease, and Rocky Mountain spotted fever, to name just a few. In 2010, the health district investigated 215 illness and disease reports.

Immunization/Blood Pressure Clinics for Adults: The Personal Health Services (PHS) division holds clinics every Friday at the health district office for adult immunizations and blood pressure screenings by public health nurses. Seasonal flu vaccine clinics are held at different sites throughout the county. Blood pressure screenings are provided at no charge, while the cost of adult immunizations is determined by the Board of Health based on the cost plus a modest administration charge. In 2010, the nursing division administered 333 adult immunizations, 1,104 flu shots, and 551 blood pressure readings. The health district directed tremendous resources towards the mass 2009 H1N1 Influenza A vaccination effort that carried into 2010. The health district provided 991 2009 H1N1 vaccinations in 2010, bringing the total vaccination to about 14,500 people.

Maternity Survey: The Personal Health Services sends a representative to the annual maternity licensure survey of the local hospital and birthing center that is conducted by the Ohio Department of Health. The Board of Health is presented with the survey results to review for approval or denial of re-licensure for each of these facilities. The PHS division is also responsible for investigating any complaints received regarding the maternity facilities.

Senior Services: The health district sent public health nurses to provide services for 400 adult day care clients at the Geauga Multi-purpose Senior Center. This is funded by the Title III/Community Block Grant managed by the Department on Aging. Nurses give presentations on various topics to the general senior population at the senior center on a weekly basis. There were 435 seniors in attendance at 37 presentations at the senior center during 2010.

Tuberculosis Control: In accordance with Ohio law, the health district promotes Tuberculosis (TB) control and containment in Geauga County by screening high-risk populations, contact investigation, maintaining a register of positive reactors, and following through with suitable treatment for appropriate individuals. Nurses perform routine TB tests at the health district office and during visits at residential facilities. In 2010, the PHS nurses administered 230 TB tests, and had 3 positive reactors.



Personal Health Services Summary 2010

Illness and Disease Reports.....	215
Tuberculosis Tests Administered	230
Help Me Grow/Newborn Visits.....	102
Well Child Service Visits.....	228
Parochial School Visits	1,828
Vision Service Plan Referrals	249
Vision Service Plan Visits	338
BCMh Home Visits.....	88
Adult Immunizations Admin	333
Children's Immunizations Clinics.....	71
Children's Immunizations An	4,544
Children Immunized.....	1,973
Senior Clinic Visits at Sr. Centers	435
Senior Clinic HD Office	551
Flu Shots (adult/childrens).....	1,104
H1N1 2009 Vaccines	991
Pregnancy Testing	7

