

# **DAVISS COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

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**Galena, IL 61036-0318**



**Public Health**  
Prevent. Promote. Protect.

## **2015 ANNUAL REPORT**

### **SERVING JO DAVIESS COUNTY FOR 65 YEARS**

**Established 1950**

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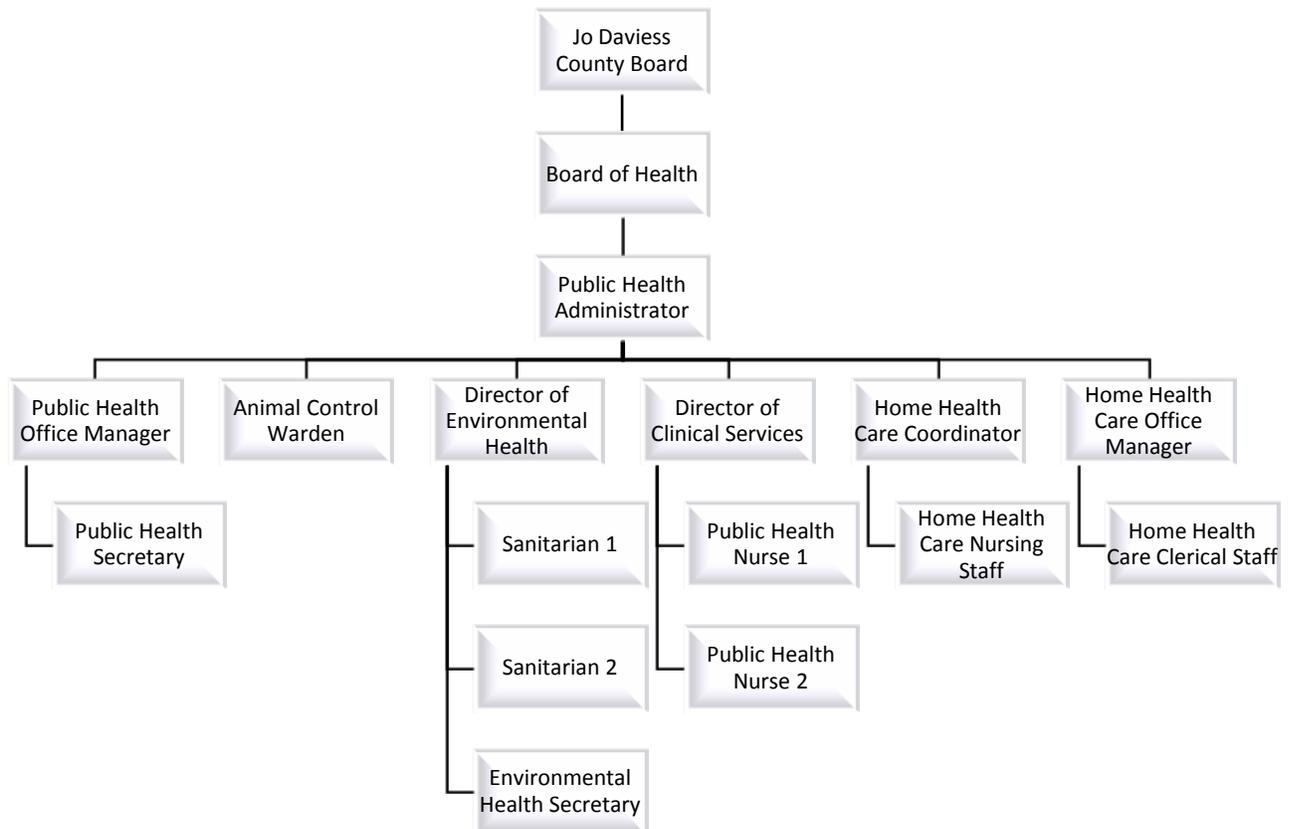
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## MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Jo Daviess County Health Department is to prevent disease, promote a healthy environment and protect the citizens of Jo Daviess County through an organized, comprehensive county-wide health effort.

## VISION STATEMENT

The Jo Daviess County Health Department will offer quality public health services through dedicated, professional staff who want to be leaders in public health issues in Illinois. The agency will learn from the past, set the building blocks of the industry today and strive for the healthiest possible community outcome, for the future.



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## DEPARTMENTS AND PROGRAMS

### Home Health Care Program:

Home Health Care is Medicare Certified and has been providing services to Jo Daviess County residents since 1981. If patients are under a physician's care, are homebound and require intermittent skilled services such as; nursing, health aide, physical therapy, occupational therapy and/or medical social worker, the professional staff can provide quality care to the patient in the comfort of their own home. Home Health Care promotes family involvement and patient independence, in order to improve the patient's safety, health and quality of life.

Clients Served (unduplicated).....	372	Skilled Nursing Visits.....	1,250
Health Aide Visits.....	237	Physical Therapy Visits.....	991
Occupational Therapy Visits.....	161		

### Financial Report \*

Receipts:	Interest and Miscellaneous Income	\$	3,706.79
	Medicare Reimbursement		329,077.78
	Veterans Administration Reimbursement		35,597.78
	Insurance Reimbursement		35,418.03
	Private Pay Reimbursement		<u>721.82</u>
	TOTAL	\$	404,522.20

Expenditures:	Salaries and Fringe Benefits	\$	284,122.69
	Program Expenses		40,719.56
	Contractual Services		102,138.95
	Interfund Transfer		<u>32,300.96</u>
	TOTAL	\$	459,282.16

\* These statistics reflect the most current data as of 1/31/2016. The 2015 audit for these figures will not be final until 4/30/2016

## **Public Health Fund**

### **Financial Report \***

Receipts:	Property Tax	\$	217,219.72
	Intergovernmental Revenues		117,060.59
	Service Charges		91,265.80
	Other Sources		50,090.00
	Other Revenues		<u>9,128.28</u>
	TOTAL	\$	484,764.39

Expenditures:	Salaries and Fringe Benefits	\$	464,468.84
	Program Expenses		138,142.50
	Interfund Transfer		<u>104,143.96</u>
	TOTAL	\$	706,755.30

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### **Environmental Health Programs:**

The Environmental Health Division is responsible for the implementation of a comprehensive program covering private sewage disposal, private water wells, food sanitation, bed & breakfast establishments, vector control, radon and nuisance investigations.

The private sewage program is intended to prevent disease and nuisances, and protect the environment by eliminating improperly treated sewage.

• Sewage Systems Approved/Permits Issued	121
• Sewage Systems Installed/Inspected	89
• Sewage Complaints Received/Complaint Inspections	0
• Presentations (Group Events)	1
• Consultations /Counseling Provided	932
• Septic On-Site Evaluations/Mortgage Loan Sanitary Evaluation	124
• Unapproved Septic Disposal Sites/Complaints/Investigations	6
• Probing for Existing Septic System	1
• Re-inspection new Septic Installation/Repaired System	5
• Inspection of Failed System	12
• Pumper Truck Inspections	7
• Soil Borings/Test Holes	1

The private water well program is designed to assist well drillers and homeowners on the proper construction and maintenance of private water wells, with a goal of safe drinking water which is protected from sources of contamination.

- Water Well Permits Issued/Wells Installed/Inspected 45
- Requests for inspection/sample/Homeowner request/Mortgage Loan 140
- Abandoned Wells/Cisterns Sealed/inspected 38
- Comprehensive Well Inspections 6
- Presentations (Group Events) 1
- Consultations/Counseling Provided 576
- Water Plan Review 21
- Non-Community Water Sample Taken/Survey 31
- Geothermal permit/Consultation 9

The food sanitation program is planned to prevent foodborne illness, promote food safety and sanitation. The bed and breakfast establishment program is meant to prevent foodborne illness, promote food safety and sanitation.

- Current number of food establishments 231
- Routine Inspections/Re-inspections/Pre-operational Inspections 402
- Temporary Food/ /Cottage Food Registrations 195
- Temporary Food Establishment/Farmers Market Inspections 58
- Foodborne/Non-Foodborne Complaints Evaluated/Investigated 8
- Compliance Proceedings/Hold/Embargos Placed 0
- Presentations (Group Events) 1
- Counseling/Onsite Consultation High and Medium Risk 700
- Food Plan Review 19
- Bed and Breakfast Inspections 29

The radon program is anticipated to provide education, a means to monitor levels and mitigation options.

- Housing Indoor Air Quality/Radon Tests Distributed 41

Other Services

Geographical Information System/Mapping 77

The nuisance investigation program is expected to abate public nuisances that can be a transmission for disease.

- Nuisance Complaints/Investigation/Consultations 24

The vector control program is envisioned to provide surveillance, public information and prevention strategies against disease causing agents, especially mosquitos and ticks.

- Site Visit/Surveillance/Clean-up/Consultation 1

## **Immunizations:**

Jo Daviess County Health Department is a state provider of Illinois Vaccine for Children Program. Immunizations are provided to children, by appointment, at monthly clinics to ensure prevention and reduce the incidence of vaccine preventable disease.

	Children <19	Adults >19
Flu	69	68
Immunizations	554	20

## **Communicable Disease Program:**

The communicable disease program conducts investigative interviews with clients having a reportable communicable disease. This includes receiving reports from hospitals and physicians. Animal bite reports come through this office in conjunction with Animal Control. A 24 hour/7 day phone number is available for health care professionals needing to report critical diseases.

A nurse is also available for consultations on requirements for international travel.

### Cases of Reportable Diseases for 2015

Animal Bites/Exposures	42
Chickenpox <19	1
Chlamydia	28
Cryptosporidiosis	6
Ehrlichiosis/Anaplasmosis	1
Gonorrhea	2
Hepatitis B Chronic	1
Hepatitis C Chronic	4
Legionnaires' Disease/Legionellosis	1
Legionellosis/Pontiac Fever	1
Lyme Disease	14
Pertussis	1
Salmonellosis	4
Syphilis	2
Shigellosis/Shiga toxin	2

**Tuberculosis Program:**

TB skin tests are administered (at no charge) and read at the Jo Daviess County Health Department. The TB Program provides consultation regarding TB treatment, contact investigation and infection control practices. Tubersol is provided at no charge to educational and long-term facilities for administration and testing results are returned to Jo Daviess County Health Department.

<u>Test Type</u>	<u>&lt;19</u>	<u>&gt;20</u>
1 Step	10	245
2 Step	9	70
Negative	19	315
Positive	0	1

**Public Health Emergency Preparedness:**

**All Hazards:**

The Agency prepares emergency response/disaster plans, in conjunction with other area emergency agencies, to ensure that proper action is taken regarding natural and/or intentionally caused emergency events; disease outbreaks, bioterrorism, severe weather, environmental, food protection incidents or other community events that would impact health.

**Medical Reserve Corp:**

Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) units are locally based medical, public health and other volunteers who can assist their communities during an emergency. This unit could be utilized during events such as an influenza epidemic, an act of terrorism or large scale health related disaster. The Jo Daviess County Health Department continues to recruit volunteers, update and exercise emergency plans internally and within the community partners to improve our response for any event that might arise.