

# Health Department Board Meetings Quarterly Review

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## ZANESVILLE-MUSKINGUM COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

### Administration News

#### National Infant Immunization Week April 22-29, 2006

- *Vaccines are among the most successful and cost-effective public health tools available for preventing disease and death.*

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- The Board approved Resolution 06-3-2 Proposed Budget for 2007.
- The Health Department is presenting John Hopkins University's Road Map to Preparedness training to agency personnel. This is a basic training curriculum that enables all employees to achieve the nine competencies outlined in the CDC Bioterrorism & Emergency Readiness-Competencies for All Public Health Workers.
- The Zanesville-Muskingum County Health District Advisory Council met on March 8th. The Council heard about pandemic influenza.
- The Health Fair was held at Colony Square Mall. Health Department nurses provided free child immunizations & dental staff offered free dental screenings. The Child Immunization Clinic was also used for staff to participate in a Mass Immunization Clinic Exercise.
- The third School Wellness Policy Program was presented at Ohio University Zanesville. Educators and school personnel from districts in Muskingum and surrounding counties attended to help them comply with federal legislation requiring districts to de-



Immunize your child by age 2.

velop policies to improve nutrition and physical activity.

- A Fresh Fruit Breakfast was held for community leaders in celebration of National Nutrition Month in March.
- Corrie Marple was promoted to Acting Registrar through May.

### Environmental Health News

- The environmental health division advised food service operations and retail food establishments during the water outage on February 17th. Facilities affected were advised to close if there was no adequate water supply, or cautioned to remain open if they were experiencing low water pressure. The Health Department worked to assess the availability of water in the facilities. Four public health sanitarians and three plumbing inspectors examined nearly 48 locations in Downtown Zanesville and the Putnam Historic District.
- The Board approved the final reading of Resolution 05-21 Retail Food and Food Service Fees.

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## Personal Health News

- The Board of Health approved the Muskingum County Juvenile Court Nursing Services Contract.
- The Six County Abstinence Education Service Contract was approved by the Board.
- The Health Department welcomed Elizabeth "Sue" Miller as Nursing Administrative Secretary.
- The Board of Health accepted the resignation of Michelle Pease, RN on March 31st.
- The Health Department welcomed Melissa Merz, DDS as Full-time Dentist on March 6th. Dr. Merz has most recently worked with Dr. Sidney Price, DDS of Columbus, Ohio as a Dentist working with underserved children. She is a recent graduate of The Ohio State University College of Dentistry.
- Lynda Sharrer was promoted to Acting Dental Clinic Coordinator through May.
- The Health Department welcomed Tiphania Warren as Dental Assistant.
- The Board of Health approved Resolution 06-3-5 Dental Equipment Repair/Replacement for the purchase of a new x-ray machine rather than repair.
- The Dean Stimpson, DDS Contract was approved by the Board to assist the dental sealant team. The sealant program requires the review of a dentist before placement of sealants.



Immunizations are one of the most important ways parents can protect their children against serious diseases.