

# Health Department Board Meetings Quarterly Review

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## Administration News

- After news of an E-coli outbreak, sanitarians asked grocery stores and restaurants to remove all bagged spinach from public consumption.
- The Good Samaritan campus of Genesis HealthCare System tested negative for Legionellosis (LEE-juh-nuh-low-sis) Disease on July 7. A patient was diagnosed with the disease on June 13. The source of bacteria at that time was unknown. Water samples from the patient's home water distribution system tested negative for Legionellosis in the utility sink, but positive for Legionellosis in the kitchen sink on July 7.
- A consultant with the Community Health Center conducted meetings with healthcare providers, health professionals and the public August 28-29 to begin a community health assessment.
- An awards ceremony was hosted by ZMCHD to honor the City of Zanesville for and 28 local schools for receiving a Healthy Community Award and the Governor's Buckeye Best Healthy Schools Awards.
- ZMCHD is giving advice on what you can do now to prepare your family for an

influenza pandemic or any emergency. Call 454-9741 extension 177 to get your pandemic flu planning information.

- Spread the word-Vote YES for Issue 5 this November for a Smoke-FreeOhio! The law protects all workers/patrons in public places from smoke.



Vote NO on Issue 4 and YES on Issue 5 in November for a SmokeFreeOhio!

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## Environmental Health News

- The Board of Health approved the third and final reading of Resolution 06-5-1 Medical Gas Fee Schedule and Resolution 06-6-2 Septage Disposal.
- A large water main break on Iron and Mill Streets caused sanitarians, plumbers, and nurses to visit over 100 restaurants to give them information on how to maintain sanitation without water. Staff also inspected water trucks providing water for the hospital.
- The Board accepted the first reading of Resolution 06-9-1 Plumbing Fees and Resolution 06-9-2 Private Water System Fees.

### Cover your Cough & Clean your Hands:

- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze **or** cough or sneeze into your upper sleeve, not your hands.
- Wash hands after coughing or sneezing with soap and warm water **or** clean with alcohol-based hand cleaner.

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## Personal Health News

- The State of Ohio is going to Medicaid Managed Care. Medical card patients will now be in one managed care system run by three different companies. Participants can choose a company or will be assigned one. ZMCHD is negotiating contracts with two companies.
- Linda Edmonson was welcomed as Adult Clinic Nurse and Elaine Green joined the team as Medical Assistant.
- ZMCHD welcomed Melinda Lutz as Rx Cue Program Coordinator Lutz will begin and operate a repository pharmacy to make medications more affordable and available to people in community who have problems paying for medications.
- Valerie Williamson was welcomed as Franklin School Nurse.
- The Board of Health accepted the Starlight School Nurse Service Contract and welcomed Robin List.
- The Board approved to continue the Maysville and Tri-Valley School Nurse Contracts.
- The Zane State Health Technology Agreement was accepted by the Board.
- Caring for Kids Dental Screening Day was a big success. Dentists saw 117 children who had little or no access to care. Twenty-nine children needed some kind of treatment and of those, 21 children had multiple cavities. Ten of the children had appointments at the Dental Clinic and others were offered our services or referred.
- The Dental Clinic received \$600 from the Ohio Department of Health for allowing a dental hygiene student and a dental student participate in Caring for Kids Dental Screening Day.
- Marla Anders' resignation as Dental Clerk was accepted with regret.



Take precautions to protect yourself from colds and seasonal flu.