

Communicable Disease Control

Specific communicable diseases are required to be reported to the St. Francis Health Department.

After the disease is reported via private MD, WEDSS (Wisconsin Electronic Disease Surveillance System) Infection Control or laboratory the Health Department staff implement investigation and disease control measures. This process consists of: assessment of client, epidemiological investigation, case finding, health education, counseling, referral and enforcement of Wisconsin State Statute for Communicable Disease Control.

The following diseases have been investigated by the Health Department during 2013.

<u>Campylobacteriosis</u>	<u>2</u>
<u>Chlamydia</u>	<u>31</u>
<u>Gonorrhea</u>	<u>7</u>
<u>Hepatitis C</u>	<u>5</u>
<u>Influenza Assoc. Hospitalization</u>	<u>11</u>
<u>Lyme Disease</u>	<u>6</u>
<u>Meningitis, Bacterial Other</u>	<u>1</u>
<u>Mycobacterial Disease</u>	<u>18</u>
<u>Salmonellosis</u>	<u>2</u>
<u>Streptococcal Disease, Invasive, Group B</u>	<u>3</u>
<u>Streptococcus Pneumoniae, Invasive</u>	<u>2</u>
<u>Tuberculosis (LTBI)</u>	<u>7</u>
<u>Varicella</u>	<u>4</u>
<u>Rubella</u>	<u>1</u>
<u>Pertussis</u>	<u>5</u>
<u>Hep B</u>	<u>2</u>
<u>Giardiasis</u>	<u>1</u>
<u>Malaria</u>	<u>1</u>

2013 Annual Report

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Environmental Health & Safety

The Environmental Health Program licenses and inspects the following establishments within the City of St. Francis:

Restaurants
Tavern/Restaurants
Swimming Pools
Food Stores
Peddlers
Farmer Markets
Temporary Events
School/Cafeterias

A total of 78 Inspections, 5 Pre-inspections, 20 Re-inspections were completed. 76 orders were issued during 2013. Human Health Hazards inspections were also completed resulting in the posting of 2 residence.

Grant Programs

The Health Department staff is involved with state-funded grant activities focusing on Community Preparedness, increasing immunization rates in the community, preparing a community health improvement plan and developmental screening of children.

Summaries of these program activities are detailed in grant contracts available at the Health Department.

Rabies Control

Wisconsin State law requires that if an animal bite occurs the animal is required to be quarantined for the possibility of rabies. The Health Department in partnership with the St. Francis Police Department conducts follow up for possible rabies exposure.

- 10 animal bites were investigated in 2013.
- 3 animals were sent to the State Lab of Hygiene for testing.

Beach Water Testing



This year the City of Racine offered a grant for Beach Water Testing. Bay View Beach Water was tested.

18 samples were taken. As a result of these samples:

- 1 advisories
- 0 closures of the beach.

The advisory was related to the amount of rainfall. This information was posted to a website and placed on a telephone hotline for residents to access. In addition signs were posted at the beach indicating water quality as good, advisory or closed.

School / Health Services

The St. Francis Health Department provides school health services to the St. Francis School District.

Nursing services include but are not limited to:

Communicable Disease control, Case management, identifying children with special health care needs, first aid, weekly illness surveillance, immunizations and immunization audits, consultations, screenings, teaching and referrals when needed. 10,485 Assorted School Services were administered in 2013.

Day Care Services

The Health Department provides consultation service to 2 day care centers. Immunization audits and weekly illness surveillance was conducted.

Immunizations

Childhood and adult immunizations were available at the Health Department. Influenza and pneumonia vaccines were also administered at the Health Department as well as at off site areas.

- vaccines administered: 133
- influenza vaccines: 465

Blood Pressure Clinics

Blood pressure screening, counseling and education were offered five times a month at various locations within the City.

- 590 blood pressure screenings were performed.

Maternal and Child Health Programs

- 88 infants were born to St. Francis residents in 2013.

Each family was offered a home visit comprising of a physical/psychological assessment of mother, infant, family and physical surroundings for safety. Informational packets were distributed to each new family.

Ages & Stages

- 50 toddlers were screened for developmental growth.

This is a grant funded program.

Public Health Nurse Visits

Nurses conduct home and office visits to provide consultation, assessment, health education, referrals and community resources.

- 548 clients were contacted in 2013

Emergency Preparedness

Health Department staff was involved with on going planning and implementation activities related to emergency preparedness. Activities in 2013 included but were not limited to: updating and maintaining our comprehensive Public Health Emergency

Response Plan, achieving and enhancing department competency and training, participating in mass clinic

exercises and numerous drills, collaborating with community partners, attempting to identify at risk populations within our city, mass clinics in response to outbreaks and City Ready Initiative assessment.

Working with Community Partners

- Distributed information to local health care providers regarding immunization compliance, signs/symptoms of diseases, reporting requirements, Public Health alerts.

- Health information to schools and daycares on weekly basis.

- Health information to City news letter, cable television community access station.

Mission:

To Protect and Promote the Health of All Persons in the St. Francis Community

- Information regarding proper disposal of sharps and where they maybe taken.
- Displays of various health topics displayed at schools and senior housings.
- Advocate for Project Concern and Interfaith.
- Farmers Market located at St. Anne's Center.
- Worksite wellness, activity and nutrition for prevention and control of obesity and cardiovascular risk reduction.
- Walk to St. Francis Days. Sponsored by the Health Department.
- National Night Out
- Provide information to Family Life Center

Vital Statistics 2013

Births: 88

Deaths: 68 (from 1/1/13-8/28/13)

Top 3 causes of death in 2013

1. Cancer
2. Heart Disease
3. Cerebral Vascular Accident

Women, Infant and Children

The WIC program provides nutritious foods, iron screening, breast feeding support for pregnant women. This program is based on income, referrals are given from the health department. In 2013, 71 women from the city participated in this program.



Weights & Measures Program

The City Sealer is responsible for inspections, tests and enforcement actions on weighing and measuring equipment, price scanning systems, as well as on bulk and prepackaged consumer products to insure accurate weight, measure or count, correct labeling, proper price and fair trade practices.

Such devices are, scales of all varieties ranging from precision gold scales to large capacity truck scales, metering devices such as gas pumps, cordage meters and timing devices such as coin-operated laundry dryer timers.