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East Central Health District

Annual Report

Fiscal Year 2013—2014

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D. Stephen Goggans, MD, MPH
District Health Director

In my opinion...

On behalf of the thirteen county health departments within the East Central Health District (ECHD), I am pleased to provide a summary report on the Public Health activities that occurred during July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2014.

Our County Health Department programs are designed to provide population-based and direct health care services which protect the local populations from the spread of disease, promote healthy lifestyles, reduce environmental hazards and injuries, respond to public health emergencies and assure the access to quality medical care. Our efforts to serve local communities include working with many community partnerships, medical providers, volunteers and organizations to improve the health status of residents within the East Central Health District.

I hope this report will inform readers as to the many beneficial services Public Health provides to the community. I also want to thank our dedicated staff, Boards of Health and community partners who have helped us in achieving our goals.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D. Stephen Goggans".

Special thanks to Dr. Diane Weems, District Health Director of the Coastal Health District (Savannah), for serving as Interim District Health Director of this District for eight months. Dr. Weems has provided outstanding support and direction to the staff and has tirelessly promoted the health of the citizens of our District. We are truly grateful for Dr. Weems' wonderful leadership.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Georgia Department of Public Health (GDPH) is to prevent disease, injury, and disability, promote health and well-being, and prepare for disasters.

VISION

A Healthy and Safe Georgia

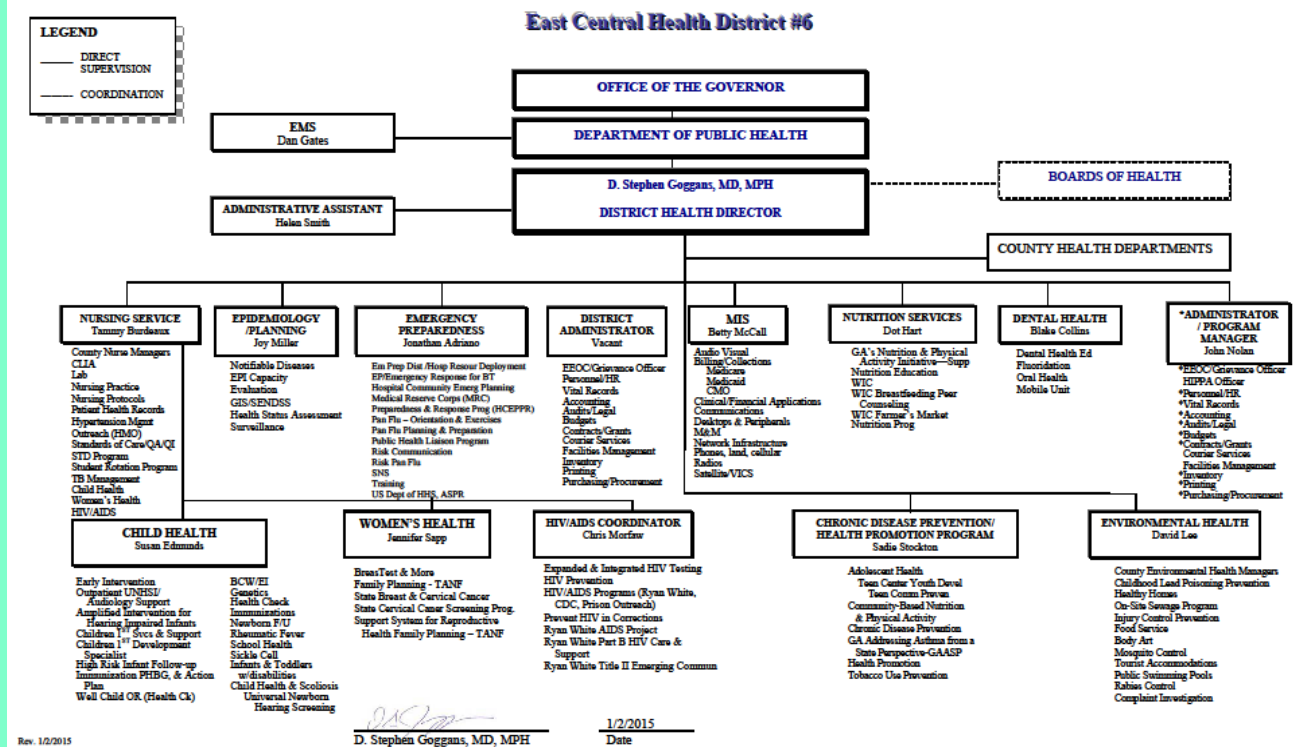
CORE VALUES

DPH's workforce is guided by the following core values in carrying out our public health work:

- ♦ **Accountability** – Good stewardship of the public's trust and the public's funds.
- ♦ **Transparency** – Openness and honesty in all aspects of operations.
- ♦ **Innovation** – New approaches and progressive solutions to problems. Embracing change and accepting reasonable risk.
- ♦ **Collaboration** – Participatory relationships, both internal and external.
- ♦ **Commitment** – A pledge to abide by the organization's mission, vision and values and advance the practice of Public Health.
- ♦ **Scientific Method** – The application of the best available research, data and analysis.
- ♦ **Excellence** – Efficiency, effectiveness, and responsiveness. Continuous performance improvement and individual and organizational learning. Measurement of performance.
- ♦ **Teamwork** – The sharing of information and active collaboration to solve problems, make decisions, and achieve common goals.
- ♦ **Customer Service** – Outstanding treatment of customers, both internal and external, by listening, understanding needs, and responding.
- ♦ **Respect** – Equitable treatment of employees and clients. Acknowledgement of talents, diversity and skills of employees and commitment to improving the knowledge, skills, and abilities of employees through opportunities for personal growth, professional development, and achievement.

10 ESSENTIAL COMMUNITY PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES

1. **Monitor** health status to identify community health problems
2. **Diagnose** and **investigate** health problems and health hazards in the community
3. **Inform, educate,** and **empower** people about health issues
4. **Mobilize** community partnerships to identify and solve health problems
5. **Develop** policies and plans that support individual and community health efforts
6. **Enforce** laws and regulations that protect health and ensure safety
7. **Link** people to needed personal health services and ensure the provision of health care when it is otherwise unavailable
8. **Ensure** the availability of a competent Public Health and personal health care workforce
9. **Evaluate** effectiveness, accessibility, and quality of personal and population-based health services
10. **Research** new insights and innovative solutions to health problems



INTRODUCTION

The East Central Health District's Annual Report 2013—2014 summarizes the activities that occurred during fiscal year (FY) 2013, from July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013 and (FY) 2014, from July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014. The report provides information about our services as well as health status information for each of the 13 counties' health departments.

The East Central Health District 6 is one of 18 public health service districts in the state, operated by the Georgia Department of Public Health. Public Health District 6 consists of thirteen counties: Burke, Columbia, Emanuel, Glascock, Jefferson, Jenkins, Lincoln, McDuffie, Richmond, Screven, Taliaferro, Warren, and Wilkes. During FY 2013, District 6 employed 324 individuals and 313 during FY 2014, who support Public Health's mission.

These counties encompass a total of 5,198 square miles. Burke County is the largest county and Glascock County the smallest. Although this area is mostly rural, Columbia and Richmond Counties are designated metropolitan counties. The total district population in 2013 was 472,727. Richmond is the most densely populated county, and Taliaferro has the fewest residents. In terms of race, the District population is approximately 54.5% white, 40.5% black, and 5% other.

Public Health improves the health status of all Georgians through health promotion and disease prevention activities. Health education is directed at individuals, families, and entire communities to improve living conditions and promote healthier lifestyles.

Health prevention services reduce infectious diseases and environmental health hazards through immunizations, investigations, and inspections. Public Health is committed to reducing health risks through community leadership, expertise in health information and surveillance, and assurance of a safe environment. Public Health's mission is accomplished by providing ten essential services to our communities.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

The East Central Health District (ECHD) continued efforts towards implementing an electronic platform to conduct its business thus aligning with federal national initiatives.

ECHD IMPLEMENTED THE FOLLOWING INITIATIVES:

FY 2013

- ♦ Visual Health Net (VHN) 11 upgrades
- ♦ New Lab Procedures
- ♦ Electronic Medical Record (EMR)/ Coding processes
- ♦ Reporting in Mitchell & McCormick (M&M)
- ♦ Completing work flows
- ♦ Scanning & Importing
- ♦ Billing

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT) STAFF COMPLETED:

- ♦ 106.25 hours of training
- ♦ 357 employees participated in training sessions including: Visual Health Net Clinical/Clerical, Scanning/ Importing, GroupWise Routing
- ♦ 1982 helpdesk tickets were closed

GOALS FOR UPCOMING YEAR:

- ♦ VHN 11 upgrade
- ♦ Quality improvement Electronic Health Records (E H R)
- ♦ Update to billing procedures
- ♦ Scanning & importing of documents to EHR
- ♦ Implementations of signature pads
- ♦ State lab interface with VHN 11 clinical database
- ♦ Electronic E-charting continued

FY 2014

- ♦ EHR
- ♦ Billing procedures
- ♦ TB Module (new & established patients)
- ♦ Scanning & Importing
- ♦ VHN 11.3 upgrade
- ♦ Microsoft Exchange E-mail
- ♦ Signature pads

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT) STAFF COMPLETED:

- ♦ 83 hours of training
- ♦ 367 employees participated in training sessions including: Microsoft Outlook, M&M Clinical Database Scanning/Importing
- ♦ 2233 helpdesk tickets were closed for the fiscal year.

GOALS FOR UPCOMING YEAR:

- ♦ Microsoft Exchange Migration
- ♦ Upgrade to VHN 11 clinical database
- ♦ Local lab interface with VHN 11 clinical database
- ♦ Georgia Registry Immunization Transactions Services (GRITS) interface with VHN 11
- ♦ Upgrade desktop/laptop computer systems from Windows XP to Windows 7
- ♦ Voucher Management Reporting System (VMARS) WIC implementation
- ♦ Electronic E-charting continued

Public Health programs focus on reducing health risks for individuals, families, and communities. This section includes information from and descriptions of the health services and programs provided by the District's 13 counties. Clinical data is derived from the procedures associated with patient encounters. Many Public Health programs address risk factors that are not age-specific, but are designed to protect and prevent illness, disease, and injury in the general population. These programs are discussed in the **"Other Services"** section.

WOMEN'S HEALTH SERVICES are available at all Health Departments within the 13-county District. Physical exams are offered to include: breast exams, pap smears, and evaluation for contraceptive methods. Pregnancy testing, confirmation of pregnancy, and referrals to prenatal care providers are also provided, since early prenatal care is critical for a healthy birth outcome for both mother and infant.

Women seeking contraceptive services are educated on the proper use of birth control methods. Prior to receiving contraceptive services, women receive a physical exam, pregnancy test, screening for sexually transmitted infections (STIs), as well as testing for Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), and counseling. Abortion services are not offered. Presumptive Medicaid applications are available.

Services	Clients	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
Breast Exams	4555	4012
Pap Smears	1805	1669
Evaluation for Contraceptive	7451	6938
Pregnancy Tests	6231	5421
Family Planning	7467	6967

PERINATAL CASE MANAGEMENT (PCM) is a non-clinical service program that identifies pregnant women who need assistance receiving Medicaid coverage. PCM also assists with finding a prenatal care provider, nutritional services, and any other service that will make a positive impact on pregnancy.

Services	Clients	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
PCM	448	380

The **WOMEN, INFANTS, AND CHILDREN (WIC) PROGRAM** is a special supplemental nutrition program, funded by the Federal Government, that provides a combination of nutrition, education, supplemental foods, breastfeeding support, and referrals for other social services to low income participants who have a nutrition-related health problem. There is no charge to participants.

Proper nutrition is crucial to the healthy growth and development of infants and young children. The WIC Program is unique in its use of vouchers for specific supplemental foods that are redeemable at most local grocery stores. In FY 2013, \$9.9 million dollars worth of food vouchers were redeemed locally; and \$9.6 million in FY 2014.

WIC serves low-income pregnant, postpartum, breastfeeding women, infants and children up to age five years who are at-risk of poor nutrition. WIC recognizes and promotes breastfeeding as the optimal source of nutrition for infants during the newborn's first year of life, unless medically contraindicated. In FY 2013, according to the Georgia WIC Performance Report, 43.67 percent of WIC mothers initiated breastfeeding and 28.94 percent continued for at least six months. In FY 2014, 43.7 percent initiated breastfeeding and 33.19 percent continued for at least six months. Breastfeeding initiatives have included the employment of 11 breastfeeding peer counselors, an active Breast Pump Program, a Breastfeeding Helpline, and weekly breastfeeding classes. The East Central Health District also employs an international board certified lactation consultant (IBCLC) to coordinate the Breastfeeding Program and help mothers with breastfeeding problems. For mothers who do not nor cannot fully breastfeed, WIC provides iron-fortified infant formula. Special infant formulas and foods may be provided for special medical conditions when prescribed by a physician.

In addition to the special supplemental food vouchers, the Georgia WIC Farmers Market Nutrition Program allows Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) participants to buy locally grown fruits and vegetables directly from authorized farmers markets in their community. This program was designed to promote the purchase and consumption of locally grown fruits and vegetables, as well as promote Georgia's agriculture.

During FY 2013, WIC served 38,947 clients; FY 2014, served 34,065 clients unduplicated at 17 clinics which included:

Services	Total Clients	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
Pregnant Women	5468	5315
Breastfeeding Women	2444	2364
Postpartum Women (Bfdg & Non-Bfdg combined)	5970	5807
Infants	8099	7890
Children	19,410	15,053

The **CHILD HEALTH PROGRAM** consists of a variety of integrated services, including early identification of infants at-risk through Children 1st assessments, immunizations, hearing, dental and vision screenings, well-child examinations, and early intervention services. The Public Health nursing staff supports county school systems by providing education about the identification and treatment of communicable diseases and promoting healthy lifestyles. The overall goal is to improve the health status of children through education, increased access to healthcare, treatment, and referrals.

Services	Total Clients	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
Child Health	2214	2076
Services included health/physical assessments, hearing, vision & dental screenings, & immunizations		

CHILDREN 1ST is the single point of entry to a statewide collaborative system of Public Health and other prevention-based programs and services. This system helps parents provide their young children with a healthy start in life. The child can be identified at any time between birth and five years of age to be at-risk for poor health and development. Children 1st operates through five core functions: *identification, screening, assessment, linkage/referral, and monitoring*. All births are part of the Children 1st review or identification process; however, participation is voluntary and there are no financial requirements for enrollment. After identification, the family is offered an in-home family assessment which helps identify the family's strengths and needs. These assessments include a developmental screening and anticipatory guidance given to promote health and development. The program's objective is to help with the child's health and development by linking the family with medical services as well as other community-based services and organizations that best fit their family needs.

Family assessment visits included developmental screenings and anticipatory guidance counseling on health and safety information.

FY 2013	
Children 1st Services	Total Clients
Children 1st staff completed 574 family assessments on infants and children. 534 of those were done in the home during home visits.	
426 developmental screenings completed during family assessments.	

FY 2014	
Children 1st Services	Total Clients
Children 1st staff completed 491 family assessments on infants and children. 432 of those were done in the home during home visits.	
516 developmental screenings completed during family assessments.	

FIRST CARE provides services to infants up to one year of age who are at increased risk for health and/or developmental problems due to medical conditions at birth that increase the risk for morbidity and mortality. Children with other categorical risk factors or conditions that impact the parent's ability to meet the health and/or medical needs of the infant may also be eligible for Children 1st services. The purpose of First Care is to assure that families with high-risk infants receive appropriate health and/or medical screenings, assessments, interventions, and follow-up. Referrals for children who appear to be eligible for Children's Medical Services (CMS) and/or Babies Can't Wait (BCW) are given to the CMS nurse in the county of residence where the child lives for follow-up. Others are referred to local Health Department nurses or First Care nurses to offer home visit/follow-up.

Children 1st/First Care Services	TOTAL	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
Children 1st/First Care staff carried an average caseload of at-risk infants.	62	41
Infants enrolled	224	156
<i>Services included home visits for enrollment and follow-up visits; case management/follow-up to assure needs identified on visits were met.</i>		

UNIVERSAL NEWBORN HEARING SCREENING AND INTERVENTION (UNHSI) is Georgia's program to develop and sustain a comprehensive coordinated system in which hospitals, primary health care providers, and Public Health work together to assure that every newborn is screened for hearing loss prior to hospital discharge. Infants not passing the initial and repeat screening receive appropriate diagnostic evaluation before three months of age, and when appropriate, are referred to intervention by six months of age. Infants are linked with medical homes and families receive culturally competent support throughout the screening, diagnostic, and intervention processes. A data management system, State Electronic Notifiable Disease Surveillance System (SENDSS), is used to document the total number of births, infants screened, number passed or referred, infants with confirmed hearing loss, and infants referred to intervention services. Essential information about Universal Newborn Hearing Screening is shared with parents, physicians, audiologists, and the general public.

Services	Total Clients	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
UNHSI services included hearing rescreens on infants under the age of 3 months and referral to appropriate follow-up services as needed.	116	191

CHILDREN'S MEDICAL SERVICES (CMS) PROGRAM strives to assure a community-based, coordinated, family-focused, and comprehensive system of quality specialty medical services for children with chronic medical conditions from birth to age 21 years. Children and their families must qualify financially and medically for this statewide program. Nurses work closely with the primary care providers and/or medical specialists to provide targeted case management for children in all 13 counties in the District. Total clients served by CMS: 595 in FY 2013; 544 in FY 2014.

Special effort focusing on asthma in Columbia and Richmond Counties identified children with asthma who need targeted case management. Three nurses work closely with these clients with the focus on education about asthma and following an asthma treatment plan. In FY 2013 & FY 2014, local hospital emergency departments continued to report seeing fewer patients with asthma related conditions. There were also 0 reports of asthma related deaths during these two years. Public Health continues to work closely with all local schools and their nurses to identify the children who need our services. In addition, education has been provided to help identify when children may need emergency medicines and/or to call for emergency help.

Services	Total Clients	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
CMS	595	544
Face-to-face contact visits	578	663
Home visits	100	124
Phone contacts	2454	641

BABIES CAN'T WAIT (BCW) is Georgia's comprehensive, coordinated, statewide, interagency service delivery system for infants and toddlers, birth to age three years who have developmental delays or disabilities. Early Intervention/Babies Can't Wait services may include the following: Medical diagnosis, nutrition, psychological, social work, vision, transportation, family training and counseling, nursing, occupational, physical and speech therapies, and special instruction. The focus of BCW is to reduce the need for special services later in life by helping children with developmental disabilities reach their maximum developmental potential.

Services	Total Clients	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
Babies Can't Wait	347	338
<i>Services included case coordination, special instruction, physical, speech, and occupational therapy.</i>		

The **IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM**, through collaboration with public and private providers, advocacy groups, and other stakeholders, works to increase immunization rates for all Georgians and decrease the incidence of vaccine-preventable diseases. District 6 follows the Advisory Committee for Immunization Practices (ACIP), American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), American Family Physicians (AFP), and the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) recommendations and uses the Georgia Immunization Program Manual as the policy and procedure manual for administration of vaccines. In 2013, approximately 35,091 vaccines were given to residents of District 6 and 25,257 in 2014. In addition, District 6 consistently ranks above the state averages for immunization rates for children. Public Health had a 96.6 percent coverage rate for the 2013 GA Immunization Study that targets the two year old population. The 2014 study was completed on October 31, 2014, and the data is being evaluated at present time. Efforts are being made to educate public and private providers on policies and procedures for immunization practices as well as the ever changing immunization schedules. Many of our Health Departments participate in an annual flu campaign for school children with the school-based Flu Project each fall.

Services	Total Clients	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
Immunizations	21,849	22,223
<i>The District Health Departments immunized adults over the age of 18 years</i>	4,893	3,443
<i>The Health Department offers all childhood and adult vaccines that protect against Diphtheria, Pertussis, Tetanus, Polio, Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Hemophilus Influenza type B, Hepatitis A, Hepatitis B, Rotavirus, Meningococcal, Pneumococcal, Varicella (including zoster) and Human Papillomavirus in addition to travel vaccines such as Yellow Fever.</i>		

INFLUENZA AND PNEUMONIA PREVENTION—Older adults and children are more susceptible to influenza viruses than those in middle age. The School-Based Flu Program (SBFP) is a Georgia Department of Public Health initiative in partnership with the Georgia Department of Education. The SBFP's mission is to prevent and control seasonal influenza by providing influenza immunization to school-aged children in a school-based setting. Georgia SBFP's goal is to significantly reduce seasonal influenza in schools and increase academic performance associated with reduced school absenteeism related to seasonal influenza through an evidence-based, sustainable school-based flu program. The Georgia Department of Public Health sees this program to be especially valuable to those children whose parents are unable to take their children to receive flu immunizations at a "medical home".

Vaccines	Total Vaccines Provided in District 6 (for children and adults)	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
Influenza	16,708	8390
Pneumonia	235	218

The **HEALTH CHECK PROGRAM** is a Medicaid reimbursement program for children from birth to 21 years of age. It is designed to provide periodic screenings to detect and treat health problems before they become chronic or irreversible. The well-child exam includes: a comprehensive physical examination, health and developmental assessment, hearing, vision, and dental assessment, and any necessary immunizations. Abnormal findings are referred to client's primary care physician or provider of choice.

Services	Total Clients	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
Health Check	2214	2076
<i>Includes complete physical assessments from infant to 21 years of age. Includes hearing and vision services also.</i>		

SCHOOL HEALTH

SCHOOLS AND DAYCARE IMMUNIZATION ASSESSMENT PROGRAM

Public Health has immunization policies in place to ensure that childcare facilities and schools adhere to Georgia laws regarding immunizations. Any infant/child under the age of 4 years attending a childcare facility must be appropriately immunized for age with required vaccines. Children attending school from Kindergarten – 5 years thru 12th grade must be appropriately immunized with all required vaccines at the time of first entry into a Georgia school. Georgia law allows for medical exemption if the child has condition/illness and the physician decides against or delays vaccination. The immunization certificate is issued with an expiration date and must be updated by that date or every year if there is a permanent reason against vaccination. Georgia law allows for religious exemption if parents provide a notarized affidavit stating objection to immunizations for religious beliefs. This affidavit has no expiration date. In both cases of exemption, the child must be excluded from school if an outbreak occurs and would only be allowed to return when immunization is given or outbreak resolved.

Health Department staff conducts annual assessment of certificates in childcare facilities and schools. Staff assess for certificates appropriately completed with future expiration date or marked "complete for school" if Kindergarten—5 years and up. They assess for appropriate marked medical certificates and affidavits for religious exemption. If the certificate has expired, staff make this known to childcare facility/school administration. Health Department staff return in 30 days to reassess/follow-up on those that did not meet requirements to see if appropriate certificate has been obtained.

DAYCARE IMMUNIZATIONS (CONTINUED)

CALENDAR YEAR 2013
In 2013, District 6 staff conducted 273 childcare facility assessments. - Obtained a 99.34 percent compliance rate
2013, conducted kindergarten 5 years assessments at 94 schools - Obtained a 98.23 percent compliance rate
Sixth grade assessment was also conducted at 57 schools - Obtained a 98.54 percent compliance rate

Beginning with the 2014-2015 school year, a seventh grade assessment will replace the sixth grade assessment due to changes in vaccination requirements for Tdap and Meningococcal vaccines for 11-12 years (seventh grade ages). Health Departments will then conduct assessment on Kindergarten 5 year olds and 7th grade for the 2014-2015 school year beginning in September 2014 with completion by December 31, 2014.

ADULT HEALTH SERVICES

Adult health programs address the health needs of an aging population. Many of the risk factors for this age group are preventable and can be lowered through a change in life-style behavior. Public Health programs focus on promoting healthy diets, physical activity, and smoking cessation for this age group.

CANCER SCREENING—Overall, cancer mortality rates have declined since 1950. Many new treatments have changed the mortality rates for certain age groups and certain types of cancers. Early detection and diagnosis of breast cancer significantly improves the chances of survival for women. The current death rate for breast cancer in the East Central Health District is 12.5 rate/per 100,000 population. Each Health Department in District 6 offers the **Breast and Cervical Cancer Program** which provides breast and cervical screening and referral to women over the age of 40. Eligibility for the program is based on income.

Services	Total Clients	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
Cancer	293	321
BCCP	688	755
Adult Health	2224	1421
Colposcopy	107	101

2013

1,805 Pap Smears collected; 23 were abnormal
627 Mammograms
25 Biopsies with 5 positive for cancer

2014

1,669 Smears collected; 35 were abnormal
649 Mammograms
17 Biopsies with 3 positive for cancer

APPLES FOR TEACHERS

Apples for Teachers is a program in partnership with local schools where vaccines are administered in the schools to faculty and staff covered by the State Health Benefits Plan. A wellness benefit exists in the Georgia State Benefits Health Plan that can be used for vaccinations. Vaccines that are currently offered include Hepatitis A and B, Tdap, and Influenza.

FY 2013—Schools	
McDuffie: 6 schools	Jenkins: 2 schools 39 Immunized
Taliaferro: 3 schools 22 Immunized	

FY 2014—Schools	
McDuffie: 6 schools	Jenkins: 2 schools 48 Immunized
Richmond: 20 schools 150 Immunized	Taliaferro: Immunized 14 faculty and staff

HEART DISEASE AND STROKE PREVENTION—One-third of the population in the United States over the age of 19 has hypertension. Many will suffer from consequences of uncontrolled hypertension, including strokes and heart attacks. The District 6 **HYPERTENSION MANAGEMENT OUTREACH PROGRAM (HMOP)** is designed to help uninsured residents of Georgia control their blood pressure in an effort to decrease the rate of heart attacks and strokes. The program provides lower-cost medications and office visits with a registered nurse or nurse practitioner. Cardiovascular exams and lab work are performed annually and necessary to rule out other cardiovascular disease. Nutrition counseling and fitness classes, led by a certified personal trainer, are provided free of charge to participants of the HMOP. Many HMOP patients utilize the Georgia Tobacco Quit Line to assist with cessation of tobacco use. Nurses involved in the HMOP often participate in community health fairs to spread awareness of hypertension to all area residents. This program is available in Richmond, Burke, McDuffie, and Wilkes Counties.

Services	Total Clients	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
Hypertension Management Outreach	844	874
Nutrition & Physical Activity	440	435
Weight Management	208	127
Medications	440	387
Brief Smoking Cessation Counseling	41	37
Tobacco Cessation Fax Back Program Participation	142	186
Other Cardiovascular Risk Factors	432	130
Number of Clients Controlled	221	287
Number on Waiting List	0	0
Total Client Visits	844	874

CHRONIC DISEASE PREVENTION AND HEALTH PROMOTION

The goals of the **CHRONIC DISEASE PREVENTION/HEALTH PROMOTION** are to improve the health status and quality of life by preventing and/or reducing chronic diseases and conditions associated with unhealthy lifestyle behaviors.

The program focuses on the recruitment of community-based coalitions and collaborates with existing community partners and individuals to provide:

- a) education and awareness of chronic disease prevention,
- b) promotes life-style/behavioral changes,
- c) adoption and implementation of system changes and policies which will provide tools for healthy lifestyles across the lifespan.

Awareness and health promotion efforts are aimed at:

- ◆ Prevention and education of chronic diseases
- ◆ Promotion of quality health through improved lifestyle behaviors
- ◆ Prevention and reduction in the number of out-of-wedlock pregnancies
- ◆ Policy and environment development and changes which lead to improved health for all populations.

HEALTH PROMOTION focus areas include: Asthma, Cardiovascular Health, diabetes with a concentration on behavioral risk factors such as: unhealthy diets, physical inactivity, and tobacco use.

ASTHMA INITIATIVE provided tools for the implementation of Georgia Asthma Management Education in the Childcare Setting (GAME-CS), along with media promotions to educate parents/guardians about the importance of maintaining updated Asthma Action Plans and providing copies to schools/daycares/caregivers. Educational material assistance was provided to Georgia Regents Therapy Respiratory Center to support the Asthma Camp for Children.

SERVICES— GAMES-CS	TOTAL TRAINED		# REACHED	
	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2013	FY 2014
Facilitator Training	8	30		
Head Start/Day Care Centers	19	148		
Newspaper On-line (Asthma Action Plan)			120,000+	150,000

CHRONIC DISEASE PREVENTION AND HEALTH PROMOTION

CARDIOVASCULAR HEALTH INITIATIVE initiated the Centers for Disease Control's (CDC) Community Health Assessment and Group Evaluation (Change Tool), a data collection tool and planning resource which community partners assessed community resources and provided communities with knowledge for planning for a healthier community. It was implemented in fiscal year 2013. Signs and symptoms of stroke were published in local newspapers during Stroke and Heart Prevention Awareness Month.

Services— Awareness/ Education	# Reached	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
Newspaper Promotions	75,000+	

DIABETES INITIATIVE : During 2013, recruited faith-based organization members to serve as faith-based lay-facilitators for the Chronic Disease Management Curriculum in the faith-base setting.

Services—Chronic Disease Management Curriculum	Total Trained	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
Facilitator Training-Project Power	31	
Education	66	

The **DISTRICT TOBACCO USE PREVENTION PROGRAM** encompasses several initiatives. Among the initiatives are 100% tobacco free schools. A FY14 Healthy Youth Summit was facilitated in Emanuel County. Among the facilitators was the *Youth Empowerment Solutions Group*. During the summit, youth and adult leaders received Tobacco 101 Education and Tobacco Leadership Training. The youth received tools on how to educate and advocate for healthy lifestyles. Under the guidance of the adult leaders, the youth engaged in opportunities such as Red Ribbon Week and the Great American Smokeout to promote awareness and education to the community, teachers, school staff, and students on harmful effects of tobacco use and secondhand smoke exposure. Participating youth represented Burke, Jenkins, and Emanuel Counties.

Services— Tobacco Use Prevention Education	Total Trained	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
Adults Leaders (Tobacco Free School Initiative)		6
Youth (Tobacco Free School Initiative)		62

TOBACCO-FREE SCHOOL INITIATIVE

High school youth from four Richmond County high schools (T.W. Josey, Lucy Laney, AR Johnson and Glenn Hills) and one Columbia County high school (Greenbrier) participated in a 100 percent Tobacco-Free School Policy Assessment. The 100 percent Tobacco-Free School Policy Assessment identified: (a) Educational methods used to educate the staff, students, and visitors about the policy, (b) policy enforcement methods, and (c) how complaints and violations are reported and addressed.

SMOKEFREE ORDINANCES

Breatheasy Augusta Coalition provides community education and advocates for smokefree air environments. Coalition members receive training by Americans for Non-Smoker's Rights (ANR). Breatheasy developed a website: www.BreatheEasyAugusta.org and Facebook page www.facebook.com/BreatheEasy/Augusta which provide education on the adverse effects of tobacco product usage.

In order to educate a large population on the adverse effects of secondhand smoke exposure, numerous media venues served as educational sources for an initiative to educate the public on the harmful health effects of exposure to secondhand smoke. The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) commercial, *Kate Moran Waitress*, aired on local television networks educating the public on adverse health effects of exposure to secondhand smoke in a workplace setting.

A third Tobacco Use Prevention Program is the **GEORGIA TOBACCO QUIT LINE** which is a free cessation service provided by the Georgia Tobacco Use Prevention Program to Georgia residents thirteen years of age and older. During FY13, 485 calls were registered to the Georgia Tobacco Quit Line from East Central Health District 6 and 465 calls during FY14.

SERVICES Tobacco Education Six Weeks Campaign	FY 2013		FY 2014	
	Number of Media Spots	Total Estimated Reached	Number of Media Spots	Total Estimated Reached
Television	793 spots	871,000	124 spots	466,500
Radio	644 spots	155,600		
Newspaper	N/A	N/A	40 In-kind	50,000 each
Movie Theaters	41 Screens	200,000		
Bus Shelters	31 locations	N/A		
Buses (back of bus)	8	N/A		
Keep Calm and Breathe Easy Posters			500	500 +
Keep Calm and Breathe Easy Fact Sheets			5,000	5,000 +

FY 2013

PARTNER NAME	SOURCE	# Reached
Breatheasy Augusta Coalition	Tobacco poster/brochures/pamphlets Community Events	5,500 +
Covidien Manufacturing Co.	Tobacco educational brochures— Health Fair	625
Serenity Behavioral Health System	Health Fair	550
Georgia Regents Medical Center Respiratory Therapy Department	Community-based education	700
Georgia Regents University Summerville Campus Cancer Center	Tobacco poster/brochures/pamphlets GRU 100 5 Tobacco-free campus Initiative + Great American Smokeout Activities	214
13 County ECPHD	GA Tobacco Quit Line Posters Heart Posters—Get It Screened	75 22
GRU Medical Center (Maternal & Child)	Outreach Clinics—Washington County Medical Center, Barrow Regional Medical Center, Georgia Regents Medical Center	30
A'keti Communications	Emanuel County Youth Event	325
Tutt Middle School	Tobacco Education Event	225
Jefferson County Health Department	Diabetes presentation to Jefferson County school cafeteria staff	105
Richmond County Health Department	Women's Health: 45 brochures on teen pregnancy prevention; 285 Diabetes	330
GRU Summerville Campus	Tobacco education materials for Great American Smokeout	100
Jefferson County Health Department	Tobacco-Great American Smokeout + Health Department Education	280
Lincoln County Health Department	GA Tobacco Quit Line information – Physicians pads	2 packs

OUTREACH ACTIVITIES / HEALTH FAIRS /
SUPPLIES PROVIDED

FY 2013 & FY 2014

OUTREACH ACTIVITIES / HEALTH FAIRS /

SUPPLIES PROVIDED

PARTNER NAME	SOURCE
Go Red Campaign for Clients and Staff	Provided education material & buttons on healthy hearts
Butler High School	Health Fair
AR Johnson	Health Fair
Oak Pointe Community Center	Health Fair—Immunizations
Augusta Iron Works	Health Fair—STD Presentation
March Madness Health Fair at Richmond County Health Department	Health Fair—Healthy Living and Immunizations
Good Hope Missionary Baptist Church	Health Fair—HPV Awareness
Community	Health Fair—Own Your Future Health Fair at Richmond County Health Department
Stand Down for the Homeless	Health Fair— Flu shots
Dream Angels Motorcycle Club Reunion	Health Fair—Educational material
WJBF Wellness Expo	Health Fair—Provided educational material BP screening
Augusta Transitional Center	STD Presentation
Rape Crisis Volunteer Training – University Hospital	STD Presentation

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OUTREACH ACTIVITIES / HEALTH FAIRS / SUPPLIES PROVIDED

PARTNER NAME	SOURCE
Glenn Hills Middle School	HIV Presentation
Georgia Iron Works	STD Presentation
Paine College	HIV Education and Testing
American Red Cross	Richmond County Health Department nurses and CDS assisted in manning the ARC shelters during ice storm.
Richmond County Schools	School Flu – Provided in Richmond County schools
Various Agencies in the CSRA	Community Flu Clinic

The goal of the **ADOLESCENT HEALTH AND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (AHYD)** is to help adolescents grow up healthy, educated, employable, and connected to their families and community. Program goals include: preventing out-of-wedlock pregnancies among youth, preventing a dependency on welfare, improving opportunities for community members, and encouraging responsible parenting. **ADOLESCENT HEALTH** services include: teen pregnancy prevention, education designed for teens which assist in managing life skills such as: peer pressure, self-esteem, conflict resolution, coping skills, responsible decision-making about sexual practices, as well as career development and communication skills.

Services
Implement evidence-based programs (Teen Pregnancy Prevention)
Provide information and educational programs to help parents strengthen parenting and communication skills with their teens
Engage students in mentor program and skills-based activity
Collaborate with youth serving organizations

OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

Each October, the Adolescent Health Youth Development Program encourages, Let's Talk Month, an initiative which involves youth-adult partnerships to promote parent-child communication about sexuality. The Adolescent Health & Youth Development Program provides literature throughout the thirteen counties through website-based on-line social networking which enhances opportunities to spread awareness about parent-child communication. Workshops are also provided to parents on engaging open discussions with their youth about adolescent sexual health issues.

OTHER OUTREACH ACTIVITIES HEALTH FAIRS

FY 2013

Facility	Services	# Participated
Mosquito Control—District Office	Diamond Lakes Park—Augusta International Raceway Preservation Society	2500
Mosquito Control—District Office	May Park Recreation Center	1000
Mosquito Control—District Office	WGAC—Advanced Services Home Show	
Mosquito Control—District Office	Richmond County Fire Department (RCFD) Admin Building— RCFD and 911 Services	

Facility	Services	# Participated
Mosquito Control—District Office	Animal Shelter on Mack Lane—Richmond County Animal Services	
Mosquito Control—District Office	Diamond Lakes Park—Augusta International Raceway Preservation Society	25
Mosquito Control—District Office	AMCA Washington Days	250
Mosquito Control—District Office	UGA Extension Agents and Commercial Pesticide Applicators	40

Facility	Services	# Participated
Mosquito Control—District Office	WGAC Radio Station—Advanced Home Care	
Mosquito Control—District Office	USC Aiken Nursing School	26
Mosquito Control—District Office	Willow Wood Garden Club—Evans, GA	23

OTHER OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

HEALTH FAIRS

FY 2013

Facility	Services	# Participated
Greater Young Zion Church Cohort 1	Implemented evidence-based programs (Teen Pregnancy Prevention) Making A Difference and Relationship Smarts	15
Lighthouse Care Center of Augusta	Implemented evidence-based programs (Teen Pregnancy Prevention) Making Proud Choices and Relationship Smarts	12
Paine College	Implemented evidence-based programs (Teen Pregnancy Prevention) Be Proud, Be Responsible	29
Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church	Implemented evidence-based programs (Teen Pregnancy Prevention) Making A Difference and Relationship Smarts Plus	30

Facility	Services	# Participated
Thankful Missionary Baptist Church	Implemented evidence-based programs (Teen Pregnancy Prevention) Making A Difference and Relationship Smarts Plus	22
Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church	Implemented evidence-based programs (Teen Pregnancy Prevention) Making A Difference and Relationship Smarts Plus	21
Lucy Craft Laney Museum	Provided information and educational pro- grams to help parents strengthen parenting and communication skills with their teens	Community
Paine College	Health Fair—Provided information and educational programs to help parents strengthen parenting and communication skills with their teens	Community

Facility	Services	# Participated
May Park Community Center	Provided information and educational programs to help parents strengthen parenting and communication skills with their teens	Community

OTHER OUTREACH ACTIVITIES HEALTH FAIRS

FY 2013

Facility	Services	# Participated
Julian Smith Casino	Provided education and information — 9th Annual Community Resource Fair Department of Juvenile Justice	45
Columbia County Health Department	Youth Serving Organizations District Nursing In-Service Training	13
Henry Brigham Community Center	Provided education and information— Let's Talk Month	25
Glenn Hills Elementary After-School Program	Skill-Based Curriculum—Connect with Kids (Character Development)	25

Facility	Services	# Participated
Diamond Lake Community Center Summer Enrichment Program	Provided information and education— "My Dreams, Decisions, and Destiny"	61
Georgia Health Sciences-Healthy Grandparent Program	Provided education and information— My Child's Academic Success and Communication	13
Department of Family and Children Services (ILP Program)	Provided information and education— Third Annual Back to School Workshop	25
Richmond County Board of Education (Counselors and Parent Facilitator)	Provided information and education— Health issues for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer	42

Facility	Services	# Participated
Mt. Zion Baptist Church Youth Program	Provided information and education Equipping Students to Stomp Out Bullying	25
Diamond Lake Community Center Summer Youth Program	Engaged students in skilled-based curriculum- Connect with Kids Curriculum (Character Development)	15

OTHER OUTREACH ACTIVITIES HEALTH FAIRS

FY 2014

Facility	Services	# Participated
Mosquito Control—District Office	WGAC Radio— Advanced Services Home Show	
Mosquito Control—District Office	TV Channels, Fox, NBC, CBS, ABC	
Mosquito Control—District Office	WGAC—Beasley Broadcasting	
Mosquito Control—District Office	Eagle 105—Clear Channel Broadcasting	

Facility	Services	# Participated
Mosquito Control—District Office	Augusta Convention Center—Richmond County Health Department—Health Fair	400
Mosquito Control—District Office	Beasley Broadcasting— Advanced Services Home Show	
Mosquito Control—District Office	Phinzy Swamp Nature Park— Earth Day Celebration	1500
Mosquito Control—District Office	C & C Automotive Annual Car Care Days	250

Facility	Services	# Participated
Richmond County Health Department	Wear Green Day – STD Awareness Education material & buttons to clients	
Richmond County Health Department	March Madness – Special Hour Immunization Clinic for the month of March	

OTHER OUTREACH ACTIVITIES HEALTH FAIRS

FY 2014

Facility	Services	# Participated
Boys and Girls Clubs of the CSRA (Dogwood Terrace)	Implemented evidence-based programs (Teen Pregnancy Prevention) Making A Difference and Relationship Smarts	13
Department of Juvenile Justice/ Augusta Courts	Implemented evidence-based programs (Teen Pregnancy Prevention) Making A Difference and Relationship Smarts	10
Greater Young Zion Church Cohort 2	Implemented evidence-based programs (Teen Pregnancy Prevention) Making A Difference and Relationship Smarts	10
Lighthouse Care Center of Augusta	Implemented evidence-based programs (Teen Pregnancy Prevention) Making Proud Choices and Relationship Smarts	12

Facility	Services	# Participated
Richmond Independent Living Program (ILP) - Necco	Implemented evidence-based programs (Teen Pregnancy Prevention) Making Proud Choices and Relationship	34
Carrie J. Mays Center– Youth Expo	Provided information and educational programs to help parents strengthen parenting and communication skills with their teens	Community
May Park Community Center- Resource Fair	Provided information and educational programs to help parents strengthen parenting	Community
Augusta Convention Center- Health Fair	Provided information and educational programs to help parents strengthen parenting and communication skills with their teens	Community

Facility	Services	# Participated
McDuffie Woods	Provided information and educational programs to help parents strengthen parenting and communication skills with their teens	Community

OTHER OUTREACH ACTIVITIES HEALTH FAIRS

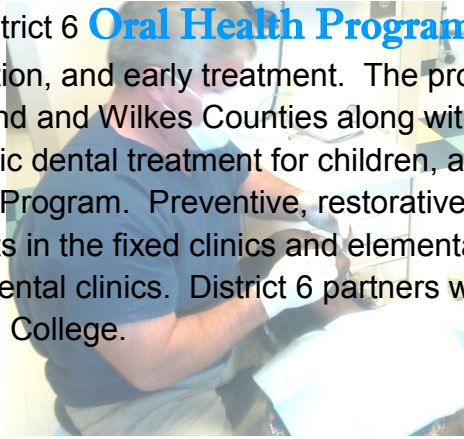
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Facility	Services	# Participated
Augusta Technical College	Collaborated with youth serving organization— "Life Choices Teen Maze"	120
Sand Hills Community Center	Provided information and education— "Great American Smoke Out"	29
Georgia Regents University	Provided information and education— "Cyber Bully"	15
Department of Family and Children Services (Independent Living Program)	Provided information and education— "Teen Dating Violence"	41

Facility	Services	# Participated
Tubman Educational Center/ Performance Learning Center	Provided information and education— "Choices"	125
Bernie Ward Community Center Summer Enrichment Program	Engaged students in skilled-based— Connect With Kids Curriculum (Character Development)	20
Augusta Technical College	Collaborated with youth serving organizations - Dept. of Juvenile Justice "Fatherless Son"	130

ORAL HEALTH PROGRAM

The mission of District 6 **Oral Health Program** is to prevent oral disease through education, prevention, and early treatment. The program operates two fixed clinics located in Richmond and Wilkes Counties along with mobile dental clinics. The fixed clinics provide basic dental treatment for children, adults, pregnant women, and patients in the Ryan White Program. Preventive, restorative, and emergency dental services are provided to patients in the fixed clinics and elementary schools throughout the District using the mobile dental clinics. District 6 partners with Georgia Regents University and Augusta Technical College.



County/Program	Total Clients	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
Dental	1856	1710
*Richmond County	1321	1238
* Wilkes County	64	175
Ryan White Program (Encounters)	580	664
Prenatal Patients	135	178

*included in total dental clients

TOTAL CLIENTS		
SERVICES	FY 2013	FY 2014
Prophylaxis (Adults)	412	400
Prophylaxis (Children)	631	715
Topical Fluoride (Children and Adults)	648	713
Sealants	270	328
Fillings	406	286

MOBILE DENTAL PROGRAM

District 6 Mobile Dental Program travels to Burke, Jefferson, and Warren County Elementary Schools each year. The Mobile Program targets low income schools to treat children with the greatest needs. Services provided by the Mobile Program include: exams, cleanings, fluoride treatments, radiographs, sealants, restorative care, and basic oral surgery procedures.

Services	Total Clients	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
Mobile Dental	185	312



It is the goal of Environmental Health to promote a healthy and safe environment for everyone in the East Central Health District. To achieve this goal, environmentalists inspect septic tanks for proper sewage disposal, check well water for bacteria, enforce the Georgia Food Code in public restaurants, and inspect tourist courts for clean, safe conditions. They also inspect public swimming pools for safety and clean water, investigate animal bites for rabies virus transmission, and respond to general complaints of public health hazards.

Services	Total		Services	Total	
	FY 2013	FY 2014		FY 2013	FY 2014
Food Service Establishments	1448	1470	Pool Inspections	617	492
Restaurant Inspections	2869	2416	Onsite Inspections	2234	1916
Tourist Courts	131	138	Bites Investigated with 7 positive rabies cases	145	154
Tourist Inspections	247	177	Water Samples (47 Positive)	267	204
Swimming Pools	213	238	Complaint Investigations	360	331
Pool Classes	23	8	Pools Abated	19	26

CHILDHOOD LEAD PROGRAM

Anyone can be harmed by exposure to lead, but the young are at higher risk. Children between the ages of one and six are particularly susceptible to lead poisoning. Ingestion of chips and dust from lead-based paint has long been thought of as the primary source of lead poisoning. New evidence, however, indicates that some folk medicines and candy wrappers containing lead are important, unexpected sources. The East Central Health District has determined that lead testing and education are important factors in eliminating childhood lead poisoning in Georgia. Dedicated environmental health specialists are busy at health fairs, county fairs, and other events around the state promoting lead prevention awareness.

23 sites investigated related to elevated blood lead level cases for children with elevated blood levels (EBLs) of 10 or higher.

INJURY CONTROL PROGRAM—The focus of the Injury Prevention Program is to promote safe environments and healthy lifestyles that reduce the risk of preventable injury. The goal is to reduce the morbidity rates for unintentional injuries among all age groups in the East Central Health District. Methods include education, intervention, car seats, bicycle helmets, and smoke detectors to those who qualify.

There were 24 child safety seat classes—148 people attended. 160 car safety seats and 10 smoke detectors issued

The Richmond County Health Department operates the **MOSQUITO CONTROL PROGRAM** for Richmond County. During FY 2013, Mosquito Control employees responded to 1425 service requests; 1835 in FY 2014. The equivalent of 35,000 acres were sprayed. The program has expanded to allow the treatment of 19,300 storm drains four times per year.

Services Provided	Total	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
Individual Complaints	1425	1835
Public Awareness Program	15	15

FOOD SAFETY/SAFE SERVE

The Richmond County Environmental Health Section provides monthly Certified SERVSAFE® Food Safety Management Training and Certification Testing. The two-day class and rigorous exam, enables the permit holders of our District's food service establishments to meet their permit obligations of having a certified food safety manager in every facility.

This voluntary initiative of our department has proven itself in building collaboration and rapport between the regulators and those regulated. Its success is seen in the steady number of restaurant chains that repeatedly send their students to our program.

The ServSafe Food Protection Manager Certification Training and Exam covers the FDA & Georgia Food Code concepts of: The Importance of Food Safety; Good Personal Hygiene; Time and Temperature Control; Preventing Cross-Contamination; Cleaning and Sanitizing; Safe Food Preparation; Receiving and Storing Food; Methods of Thawing, Cooking, Cooling and Reheating Food; Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points (HACCP); Food Safety Regulations and more.

405 students trained / 22 classes conducted

BODY ART

Richmond County enforces a Body Art Ordinance that was enacted in January 2010. Under the ordinance, establishments are required to be inspected and permitted along with any artist working in Richmond County being licensed.

There are 18 Body Art establishments and 81 artists and piercers permitted.

Every county has their own Body Art Ordinance.

Prevention of infectious diseases is an essential responsibility of Public Health. Public Health has traditionally played a primary role in the prevention, treatment, education, and follow-up of all sexually transmitted infections (STIs). Our clinics offer specific services that include thorough examinations, diagnosis, treatment, and partner notification in a confidential setting. Clients receive one-on-one education about their diagnosis, the disease process, as well as treatment. Follow-up is provided when needed.

Private physicians, clinics, laboratories, and local hospitals are mandated by state law to report various STIs. Health Department communicable disease specialists conduct investigations to assure appropriate treatment has been administered, and that confidential partner notification/tracing has been initiated. These cases are then reported to the state office in compliance with proper policy guidelines. Since Georgia ranks in the *top ten* states by rate of reported STIs, reduction is a primary goal of the STI Program. Efforts of this program will also reduce the possibility of epidemics and the spread of infection.

In an attempt to reduce STIs, all clients are counseled on proper condom usage as a barrier method. Communicable disease specialists counsel every client at-risk for HIV, provide testing, and develop an individual risk reduction plan. Clients testing positive to an HIV test are referred for medical care to local clinics involved in HIV/AIDS care. The communicable disease specialist follows up on all appointments to assure the best possible outcome for the client.

Services	Total Clients	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
STI's	3992	3209

HIV/AIDS: The number of persons living with HIV infection and AIDS continues to increase within the East Central Health District. District 6 has the **sixth highest** number in Georgia of people living with HIV infection and AIDS as of December 31, 2012, (the most current statistics from Georgia AIDS Surveillance) for a total of **2,109**. Public Health has continued to focus efforts toward reducing the spread of HIV in District 6 through counseling, testing, education, and prevention initiatives.

- ♦ *In FY 2013, 6668 HIV tests were provided to clients in District 6
19 were positive*
- ♦ *In FY 2014, 2693 HIV tests were provided to clients in District 6
13 were positive*

THE RYAN WHITE PART B PROGRAM funds medical and supportive services for 1431 persons living with HIV/AIDS in District 6. The program contracts medical services for these individuals through Georgia Regents University and Christ Community Health Services of Augusta. Dental services are provided by the Richmond County Dental Clinic. The District Projects Office provides case management services to meet clients' non medical needs including transportation, food, housing, medication, and Psychosocial services by facilitating monthly support group meetings. Housing and transportation continue to be a challenge for clients, not only in District 6, but throughout the state of Georgia.

Services	Total Clients	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
Medical Care	1017	1039
Case Management (Non-medical)	939	1012
Medical Transportation	182	182
Mental Health Services	50	50
Emergency Financial Assistance	127	139
Oral Health	105	111

The **HIV PREVENTION PROJECT** has a health educator that will be participating in evidence-based prevention sessions to prevent HIV and other STIs in high-risk persons from communities in District 6. The health educator is tasked with the follow-up of newly found HIV-positive persons as well as the prevention of HIV-positives in the community by utilizing these evidence-based prevention sessions throughout District 6. All persons testing HIV positive are referred to linkage services.

Services	Total Clients	
	FY 2014	FY 2015
Testing	561	600 (Est)
Distributed male condoms	3500	4000 (Est)
Distributed education materials	2500	3000 (Est)
Female condoms	1500	1800

MINORITY AIDS INITIATIVE (MAI)

The purpose of this program is to develop, implement and evaluate evidence-based peer advocacy programs with a focus primarily on increasing minority participation and access to the Aids Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) to facilitate implantation of the Antiretroviral Treatment and Access Services (ARTAS). Through this program, the linkage coordinator seeks to increase the health of HIV positive individuals.

Minority AIDS Initiative (MIA)	FY 2014
	Total Clients
Total Clients Served	131
African American Male	90
African American Female	28
White Males	7
White Female	5
Hispanic Male	1

- ♦ Overall, 77 individuals 13-44 years old were served
- ♦ 54 people 45 years and older were served

TUBERCULOSIS PROGRAM – Worldwide, tuberculosis (TB) continues to be the leading cause of death from an infectious disease. Georgia has higher rates of TB than the national average. According to the law, all TB cases must be reported to the local County Health Department. The role of the Health Department is to ensure that all TB cases complete appropriate therapy as well as to identify, evaluate, and treat the contacts of persons with infectious TB and to screen high-risk groups for TB infection. Tuberculin skin tests (PPD) are administered in all Health Departments, as well as other types of TB services such as directly observed preventative therapy (DOPT), directly observed therapy (DOT), and contact investigation.

Services	Total Clients	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
TB/PPD	4432	3661

SPECIAL PROJECTS / INITIATIVES

PRENATAL CLINIC

Routine prenatal care is provided at the RCHD in collaboration with GRU OB/GYN Department and GRU Regional Perinatal Center. In addition to routine prenatal care, health education classes on nutrition, breastfeeding, and infant safety were provided. Home visits were conducted during pregnancy and post-partum period.

From 2013—2014, the clinic served 103 pregnancies, 99 unduplicated women. Birth outcomes available for 81 deliveries within that cohort showed an average gestational age of 38 weeks and average birth weight 3081 gms.

Current data shows the following: 58 prenatal clients; 114 delivered; 29 still in the program; 17 involved in the home visiting program; 35 percent of women that delivered are breastfeeding; 50 percent received Tdap and 64.3 percent are on birth control, average gestation age 38 weeks and average weight 3254 gms.

EMORY VACCINE STUDY

The final year of four CDC funded three arm control trial projects conducted in collaborative with Emory, GRU, and RCBOE is 2014. The goal is to gain understanding about knowledge, attitudes, beliefs, and barriers to vaccinations, and to identify potential strategies to improve uptake of vaccines recommended for middle and high school students. The vaccines included in the study were: Flu, HPV, Tdap, and Meningococcal. There were 686 students and families in eleven schools, including six middle schools and five high schools that participated.

Constructs from the health belief model were used to inform our survey questions regarding knowledge and attitudes of the parents towards vaccines. These constructs in context of our study were: The benefits of vaccination, barriers to vaccination, susceptibility to and severity of vaccine preventable diseases, and social norms – what is everyone doing? Results show parental attitudes are significantly associated with vaccination. We have the potential to reach or exceed 70% immunization coverage for all the vaccines. School clinics have the potential to reduce missed opportunities to vaccinate adolescents, increase vaccination coverage for adolescent vaccines especially for HPV vaccine and HPV series completion. To increase acceptance of school clinics, it is best to concentrate educational efforts on attitudes, perceived benefits social norms, vaccine specific messaging, perceived susceptibility, and severity. Doctors/health professionals, family/friends, and television are key sources of information. Health professionals are best positioned to support vaccine decision making of families.

PERINATAL SYMPOSIUM

The Augusta Healthy Start, Augusta Partnership for Children, the Maternal and Infant Program, Regional Perinatal Center at the Georgia Regents University, the Enterprise Community Healthy Start and the East Central Health District joined efforts and sponsored a symposium to focus on improving the well-being of women, infants, and children in our communities. The ultimate goal is to encourage collaboration among communities towards developing healthy communities by addressing issues affecting women and children.

YEAR SYMPOSIUM HELD	NUMBER ATTENDED
2013	82

EPIDEMIOLOGY / DISEASE SURVEILLANCE

The primary responsibility of the **EPIDEMIOLOGY DEPARTMENT** is to provide continuous surveillance of diseases in the District, investigate all diseases and cluster illnesses that pose an imminent threat to the community, and to determine and contain the disease origin. Disease surveillance is vital in determining the ongoing patterns of disease occurrence and disease potential so that investigation, control, and prevention measures can be applied efficiently and effectively. There are **over 70** notifiable diseases that the Epidemiology Department regularly tracks and investigates. These diseases include all vaccine preventable diseases, such as pertussis and measles; zoonotic and vector-borne diseases including West Nile Virus and Lyme disease; waterborne and food-borne illness such as Salmonella, Shigella, E. Coli, as well as potential agents of bioterrorism, for example Q-fever and botulism.

In 2013 and 2014, there were over 1200 notifiable disease reports, excluding STIs, reported to the Epidemiology Department. Every disease report was evaluated to determine the proper investigation and follow-up, which included contact notifications. Some of the most common disease reports were food-borne and water-borne illnesses (32%), followed by Hepatitis C (30%), and various other bacterial and viral illnesses.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Unintentional injuries are the fourth leading cause of deaths in the United States. While many injuries do not result in death, they often require medical attention and emergency transportation. The **DISTRICT EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS)** has a primary responsibility to coordinate the licensing and monitoring of ambulance services, medical first responders, and neonatal transport services. One hundred fifteen (115) ambulances, one (1) air medical unit, and 61 first responder vehicles require annual inspections. EMS oversees initial education and licensure of 982 emergency medical technicians and paramedics living and working in District 6. EMS also approves continuing education for those same emergency medical technicians and paramedics. In addition to these mandated services, EMS helps to protect the public by reviewing ambulance trip reports which can be used to address system needs and future planning, monitoring performance of EMTs, and investigating public complaints regarding ambulance services.

OFFICE OF EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

The **OFFICE OF EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND BIO-TERRORISM**, provides each of our 13 county Health Departments support for planning, training, and exercises for a variety of emergency situations. Primary exercises and planning aim at reception of the Strategic National Stockpile in each of the counties as well as assisting Red Cross and Local Emergency Management with the inspection, set up, and operation of Functional Needs Support Services in Congregate Shelters.

Developing and maintaining community partnerships is a mainstay of the program and is essential for our success. The Office of Emergency Preparedness has partnered with the American Red Cross, local emergency management agencies, the regional healthcare coalition which includes EMAs, EMS, hospitals and nursing homes, Department of Family and Children Services, law enforcement, local government, coroners, fire departments, the Augusta Regional Airport, and other partners. Collaborations with agencies/organizations that provide services to at-risk populations are also a significant and important part of the Office of Emergency Preparedness strategy to respond to emergencies.

An additional project the Office of Emergency Preparedness took on over the last two years was applying for Project Public Health Ready Recognition (PPHR). PPHR is a criteria-based public health preparedness program that assesses regional health district capacity and capability to plan for, respond to, and recover from public health emergencies. Sponsored by the National Association of City and County Health Officials (NACCHO), PPHR aims to protect the public's health and increase the public health infrastructure by equipping local health departments with sustainable tools to plan, train, and exercise using a continuous improvement model. This two year project had the Office of Emergency Preparedness work closely with the state and local Office of Nursing, the state Emergency Preparedness office, state and local epidemiologists, state and local Environmental Health, the Public Health Laboratory, several other health districts, and the local ESF-8 Partners. The process of collaborating with each of these entities was one of the great achievements of the whole process as we were able to develop plans and partnerships to support local public health response to emergencies. These plans may lay the foundation for future response and collaboration for other public health districts across the state.

On September 14, 2013, the annual Strategic National Stockpile Drive-Thru Point of Dispensing Drill was conducted in Screven County. Staff from across the District participated in the exercise to test the ability for Screven County Health Department and local partners to dispense medications from the Strategic National Stockpile in a 36 hour window. Over 300 District staff and local partners participated in the exercise that simulated dispensing medication to approximately 14,000 residents.

In February of 2014, the East Central Health District suffered the effects of a major ice storm. The Office of Emergency Preparedness supported the local community by coordinating response efforts with local Emergency Management, delivered equipment to nursing homes, supported shelters by sending in MRC volunteers and helping coordinate the movement of patients out of shelters who had medical needs.

The East Central Health District **MEDICAL RESERVE CORPS (MRC)** unit is a community-based organization of volunteers who donate their time and expertise to prepare for and respond to emergencies and promote healthy living throughout the year. MRC volunteers supplement existing emergency and public health organizational resources, and provide supplemental support and resources to the District, allowing Public Health to expand its capacity during times of emergency.

MRC volunteers include medical and public health professionals such as physicians, nurses, pharmacists, dentists, veterinarians, epidemiologists, and other community members including interpreters, chaplains, office workers, legal advisors, and others who can fill key support positions.

MRC units target specific areas to strengthen the Public Health infrastructure of their communities by the U.S. Surgeon General. These are outlined priorities for the health of individuals and the nation as a whole, which also serve as a guide to the MRC. The overarching goal is to improve health literacy. The Surgeon General wants the MRC to work towards increasing disease prevention, eliminating health disparities, and improving public health preparedness.

Activities of the MRC include town meetings and briefings to civic organizations in order to increase public awareness of the threat of disease outbreaks and bioterrorists acts that create massive casualties. MRC members also provide support for Secondary Triage, Treatment and Transport Center (ST3C) operations, staffing of Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) Points of Dispensing (PODs) mass immunization drills, health fairs, flu clinics, and all Public Health functions related to community health and preparedness.

The ECHD MRC has over 800 volunteers throughout the 13 counties of the District. In order to meet the MRC Core Competencies as developed by the U.S. Surgeon General's office, volunteers completed training through MRC TRAN Website and classroom sessions. In addition, MRC volunteers participate in emergency exercises annually that enhance their capability to meet the challenges posed by a local disaster. This year, MRC volunteers contributed over 1500 hours of service to the mission of the East Central Health District.

TYPICAL EVENTS IN WHICH THE VOLUNTEERS PARTICIPATED IN 2013 & 2014

Taliaferro County Health Fair
McDuffie County Health Fair
Coastal Evacuation Exercise in Support of the National Disaster Medical System
Columbia County Back-to-School Screening of Students
Columbia County Health Department Immunization Drill
East Central Health District Special Project Office
Richmond County Health Department TB Screening at Butler High School
BLS/CPR Certification Training for District Personnel
Jefferson County Civic Organizations Briefings
WJBF Women's Health Forum
National Integrated Training Support Summit
Functional Needs Shelter Activation
Richmond County POD Exercise

PARTNERSHIPS

East Central Health District collaborates with community agencies, providers, and academic institutions to carry its mission and advance public health goals. It is through collaboration that Public Health is able to carry its health promotion, disease prevention, and emergency preparedness responsibilities. The entities mentioned below partner with Public Health in these endeavors:

A'keti Communication (Tobacco & Diabetes)
American Cancer Society
American Heart Association
American Lung Association
Americans for Non-Smokers' Rights
Augusta Chapter of the American Red Cross
Augusta Day Reporting Center (Probation)
Augusta Partnership for Children
Augusta Technical College—(Dental Assisting Program)
Augusta Technical College School of Nursing
Bethel Methodist Episcopal Church
Boards of Education Throughout the District
Breatheasy Augusta Coalition (Tobacco)
Christ Community Clinic of Augusta, GA
Columbia County Animal Control
Columbia County Code Enforcement
Columbia County Family Connections (Tobacco and youth related topics)
County Health Departments within District 6
CRSA Asthma Coalition (Asthma)
CSRA Breastfeeding Coalition
CSRA Economic Opportunity (Head Start)
CSRA Head Start
CSRA Workforce
Department of Juvenile Justice

PARTNERSHIPS

Doctors Hospital of Augusta
East Central Regional Hospital
Elementary Schools (Dental)
Family Y
Fort Gordon and U.S. Army Garrison
Georgia Campaign for Adolescent Power & Potential
Georgia College and State University
Georgia Regents Department of Respiratory Therapy
Georgia Regents University (GRU) School of Nursing
Georgia Regents University (GRU) Dental Project
Georgia Regents University (GRU) Dental School and Hygiene Program
Georgia Regents University (GRU) Institute of Public Health
Georgia Regents University (GRU) School of Medicine
Georgia Regents University College of Nursing (Healthy Grandparents Program)
Georgia Regents University Infectious Disease Department
Georgia Regents University Psychology Department
Georgia Regents University Summerville Campus
Greater Augusta Health Network
Head Start (Dental)
Jiann—Ping Hsu College of Public Health
Leadership Augusta Richmond County
Lighthouse Care Center of Augusta
Local Media Outlets (Print, Television and Radio)
Maternal and Infant Program—GRU
Miller – Motte Technical College
Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church
National Disaster Medical System (NDMS)
Paine College (School Health)

PARTNERSHIPS

Phinizy Swamp
Region G Healthcare Coalition
Richmond County Animal Control
Richmond County Code Enforcement
Richmond County Board of Education
Richmond County Board of Health
Richmond County Extension Agency
Richmond County Health Department (Dental Department)
Richmond County Medical Society Project Access
Richmond County Recreational Parks & Facilities
Ryan White Program (Dental)
Screven County EMS
Thankful Missionary Baptist Church
The Enterprise Community Healthy Start
The Salvation Army of Augusta, GA Hope House of Augusta, GA (Recovery)
Total Media Communications (Cardiovascular)
University Hospital Augusta Area Dietetic Internship (AADI)
University of Georgia Cooperative Extension Services – EFNEP
University of Georgia School Of Public Health
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BURKE COUNTY

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	Revenues			EXPENSES	
	FY 2013	FY 2014 (UNAUDITED)		FY 2013	FY 2014 (UNAUDITED)
County	\$ 162,000	\$ 162,000	Personnel	\$ 532,566	\$ 610,287
State GIA (Grant-in-Aid)	\$ 265,912	\$ 272,583	Operating	\$ 94,634	\$ 102,312
Other	\$ 242,427	\$ 183,175			
TOTAL	\$ 670,339	\$ 617,758	TOTAL	\$ 627,200	\$ 712,599

PROGRAMS	TOTAL CLIENTS	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
Family Planning	528	515
Child Health	241	135
Immunizations	557	666
STD	176	184
TB / PPD	302	121
WIC	1208	1231
<i>Vital Records provided by the County Probate Court</i>		

FACT SHEET		
<i>People Quick Facts/OASIS</i>	<i>Burke County</i>	<i>Georgia</i>
Population, 2012	23,125	9,919,945
Population, percent change, 2010 to 2012	-.8%	2.4%
Persons under 5 years old, percent, 2012	7.1%	6.8%
Persons 65 years old and over, percent, 2012	13.0%	11.5%
White persons, percent, 2012 (a)	48.9%	62.8%
Black persons, percent, 2012 (a)	49.0%	31.2%
High school graduates, percent of persons age 25+, 2007-2011	76.5%	84.0%
Persons below poverty level, percent, 2007—2011	28.6%	16.5%
Infant death rate 2007—2011	9.1	7.3
Low birth weight percent 2007—2011	12.4%	9.5%
Teen pregnancy rate 2007—2011, ages 10—17	18.8	12.6

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	Revenues			EXPENSES	
	FY 2013	FY 2014		FY 2013	FY 2014
County	\$ 434,614	\$ 434,614	Personnel	\$1,004,141	\$ 961,481
State GIA (Grant-in-Aid)	\$ 474,094	\$ 505,071	Operating	\$ 268,180	\$ 175,232
Other	\$ 541,743	\$ 487,224			
TOTAL	\$1,450,451	\$1,426,909	TOTAL	\$1,272,321	\$ 1,136,713

PROGRAMS	TOTAL CLIENTS	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
Family Planning	801	679
Child Health	1642	1493
Immunizations	6273	6876
STD	155	122
TB / PPD	434	317
WIC	3138	3083
<i>Vital Records provided by the County Probate Court</i>		

FACT SHEET			
<i>People Quick Facts/OASIS</i>	<i>Columbia County</i>	<i>Georgia</i>	
Population, 2012	131,627	9,919,945	
Population, percent change, 2010 to 2012	6.1%	2.4%	
Persons under 5 years old, percent, 2012	6.4%	6.8%	
Persons 65 years old and over, percent, 2012	11.0%	11.5%	
White persons, percent, 2012 (a)	76.7%	62.8%	
Black persons, percent, 2012 (a)	16.0%	31.2%	
High school graduates, percent of persons age 25+, 2007-2011	90.6%	84.0%	
Persons below poverty level, percent, 2007—2011	7.7%	16.5%	
Infant death rate 2007—2011	6.3	7.3	
Low birth weight percent 2007—2011	7.5%	9.5%	
Teen pregnancy rate 2007—2011, ages 10—17	5.8	12.6	

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	Revenues			EXPENSES	
	FY 2013	FY 2014 (UNAUDITED)		FY 2013	FY 2014 (UNAUDITED)
County	\$ 136,928	\$ 136,927	Personnel	\$ 777,367	\$ 814,956
State GIA (Grant-in-Aid)	\$ 274,319	\$ 288,894	Operating	\$ 220,897	\$ 195,137
Other	\$ 599,240	\$ 649,689			
TOTAL	\$1,010,487	\$1,075,510	TOTAL	\$ 998,264	\$1,010,093

PROGRAMS	TOTAL CLIENTS	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
Family Planning	737	536
Child Health	1789	1684
Immunizations	3518	3664
STD	186	195
TB / PPD	274	254
WIC	1903	1839
<i>Vital Records provided by the County Probate Court</i>		

FACT SHEET		
<i>People Quick Facts/OASIS</i>	<i>Emanuel County</i>	<i>Georgia</i>
Population, 2012	22,898	9,919,945
Population, percent change, 2010 to 2012	1.3%	2.4%
Persons under 5 years old, percent, 2012	7.1%	6.8%
Persons 65 years old and over, percent, 2012	14.9%	11.5%
White persons, percent, 2012 (a)	63.8%	62.8%
Black persons, percent, 2012 (a)	34.1%	31.2%
High school graduates, percent of persons age 25+, 2007-2011	73.5%	84.0%
Persons below poverty level, percent, 2007—2011	24.5%	16.5%
Infant death rate 2007—2011	9.3	7.3
Low birth weight percent 2007—2011	10.8%	9.5%
Teen pregnancy rate 2007—2011, ages 10—17	20.5	12.6

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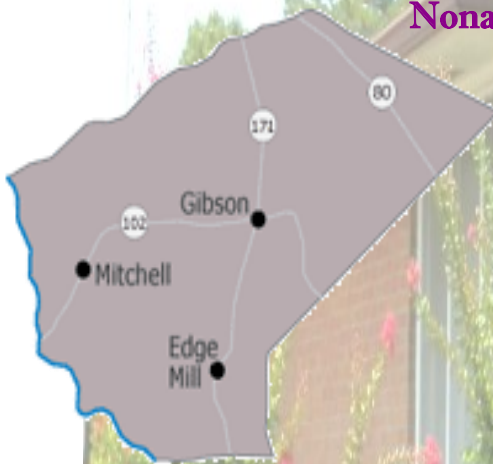
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	Revenues			EXPENSES	
	FY 2013	FY 2014 (UNAUDITED)		FY 2013	FY 2014 (UNAUDITED)
County	\$ 22,847	\$ 22,847	Personnel	\$ 90,319	\$ 95,482
State GIA (Grant-in-Aid)	\$ 64,270	\$ 68,995	Operating	\$ 26,099	\$ 28,996
Other	\$ 34,328	\$ 24,974			
TOTAL	\$ 121,445	\$ 116,816	TOTAL	\$ 116,418	\$ 124,478

PROGRAMS	TOTAL CLIENTS	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
Family Planning	79	63
Child Health	70	49
Immunizations	523	482
STD	10	13
TB / PPD	65	30
WIC	190	215
<i>Vital Records provided by the County Probate Court</i>		

FACT SHEET		
<i>People Quick Facts/OASIS</i>	<i>Glascocock County</i>	<i>Georgia</i>
Population, 2012	3,142	9,919,945
Population, percent change, 2010 to 2012	1.9%	2.4%
Persons under 5 years old, percent, 2012	5.2%	6.8%
Persons 65 years old and over, percent, 2012	16.5%	11.5%
White persons, percent, 2012 (a)	89.5%	62.8%
Black persons, percent, 2012 (a)	8.9%	31.2%
High school graduates, percent of persons age 25+, 2007-2011	73.8%	84.0%
Persons below poverty level, percent, 2007—2011	20.7%	16.5%
Infant death rate 2007—2011	***	7.3
Low birth weight percent 2007—2011	10.8%	9.5%
Teen pregnancy rate 2007—2011, ages 10—17	***	12.6

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	Revenues			EXPENSES	
	FY 2013	FY 2014 (UNAUDITED)		FY 2013	FY 2014 (UNAUDITED)
County	\$ 152,750	\$ 152,750	Personnel	\$ 498,594	\$ 472,756
State GIA (Grant-in-Aid)	\$ 198,020	\$ 213,948	Operating	\$ 94,951	\$ 98,428
Other	\$ 265,715	\$ 235,543			
TOTAL	\$ 616,485	\$ 602,241	TOTAL	\$ 593,545	\$ 571,184

PROGRAMS	TOTAL CLIENTS	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
Family Planning	540	468
Child Health	127	140
Immunizations	1110	1215
STD	168	143
TB / PPD	336	261
WIC	958	933

VITAL STATISTICS	TOTALS	VITAL STATISTICS	TOTAL
	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2013
Births Certificates Searches	992	980	0
Deaths	247	248	4
Paternity Acknowledgements	4	7	2
Amendments	3	23	0
			0

FACT SHEET

People Quick Facts/OASIS	Jefferson County	Georgia
Population, 2012	16,432	9,919,945
Population, percent change, 2010 to 2012	-2.9%	2.4%
Persons under 5 years old, percent, 2012	6.6%	6.8%
Persons 65 years old and over, percent, 2012	15.9%	11.5%
White persons, percent, 2012 (a)	44.4%	62.8%
Black persons, percent, 2012 (a)	53.9%	31.2%
High school graduates, percent of persons age 25+, 2007-2011	72.0%	84.0%
Persons below poverty level, percent, 2007—2011	28.7%	16.5%
Infant death rate 2007—2011	8.0	7.3
Low birth weight percent 2007—2011	12.8%	9.5%
Teen pregnancy rate 2007—2011, ages 10—17	21.8	12.6

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	Revenues			EXPENSES	
	FY 2013	FY 2014 (UNAUDITED)		FY 2013	FY 2014 (UNAUDITED)
County	\$ 41,000	\$ 41,000	Personnel	\$ 204,516	\$ 213,354
State GIA (Grant-in-Aid)	\$ 147,258	\$ 166,149	Operating	\$ 73,183	\$ 86,410
Other	\$ 105,890	\$ 76,146			
TOTAL	\$ 294,148	\$ 283,295	TOTAL	\$ 277,699	\$ 299,764

PROGRAMS	TOTAL CLIENTS	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
Family Planning	179	159
Child Health	95	59
Immunizations	574	595
STD	67	55
TB / PPD	73	48
WIC	531	511

VITAL STATISTICS	TOTALS		VITAL STATISTICS	TOTAL	
	FY 2013	FY 2014		FY 2013	FY 2014
Births Certificates	610	585	Birth Verifications	1	0
Deaths	446	567	Legitimations	1	0
Paternity Acknowledgements	2	1	Delayed Birth Certificates	4	6
Amendments	5	4	Home Birth	0	0

FACT SHEET		
<i>People Quick Facts/OASIS</i>	<i>Jenkins County</i>	<i>Georgia</i>
Population, 2012	9,213	9,919,945
Population, percent change, 2010 to 2012	10.5%	2.4%
Persons under 5 years old, percent, 2012	6.0%	6.8%
Persons 65 years old and over, percent, 2012	14.4%	11.5%
White persons, percent, 2012 (a)	54.6%	62.8%
Black persons, percent, 2012 (a)	43.3%	31.2%
High school graduates, percent of persons age 25+, 2007-2011	68.4%	84.0%
Persons below poverty level, percent, 2007—2011	30.4%	16.5%
Infant death rate 2007—2011	10.0	7.3
Low birth weight percent 2007—2011	11.7%	9.5%
Teen pregnancy rate 2007—2011, ages 10—17	18.7	12.6

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	Revenues			EXPENSES	
	FY 2013	FY 2014 (UNAUDITED)		FY 2013	FY 2014 (UNAUDITED)
County	\$ 38,800	\$ 38,799	Personnel	\$ 140,837	\$ 158,759
State GIA (Grant-in-Aid)	\$ 97,455	\$ 108,761	Operating	\$ 61,866	\$ 75,247
Other	\$ 79,452	\$ 64,575			
TOTAL	\$ 215,707	\$ 212,135	TOTAL	\$ 202,703	\$ 234,006

PROGRAMS	TOTAL CLIENTS	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
Family Planning	87	61
Child Health	202	74
Immunizations	379	407
STD	22	24
TB / PPD	23	15
WIC	142	123
<i>Vital Records provided by the County Probate Court</i>		

	FACT SHEET	
<i>People Quick Facts/OASIS</i>	<i>Lincoln County</i>	<i>Georgia</i>
Population, 2012	7,737	9,919,945
Population, percent change, 2010 to 2012	-3.2%	2.4%
Persons under 5 years old, percent, 2012	4.5%	6.8%
Persons 65 years old and over, percent, 2012	19.4%	11.5%
White persons, percent, 2012 (a)	66.1%	62.8%
Black persons, percent, 2012 (a)	32.1%	31.2%
High school graduates, percent of persons age 25+, 2007-2011	80.0%	84.0%
Persons below poverty level, percent, 2007—2011	25.8%	16.5%
Infant death rate 2007—2011	***	7.3
Low birth weight percent 2007—2011	9.0%	9.5%
Teen pregnancy rate 2007—2011, ages 10—17	9.4	12.6

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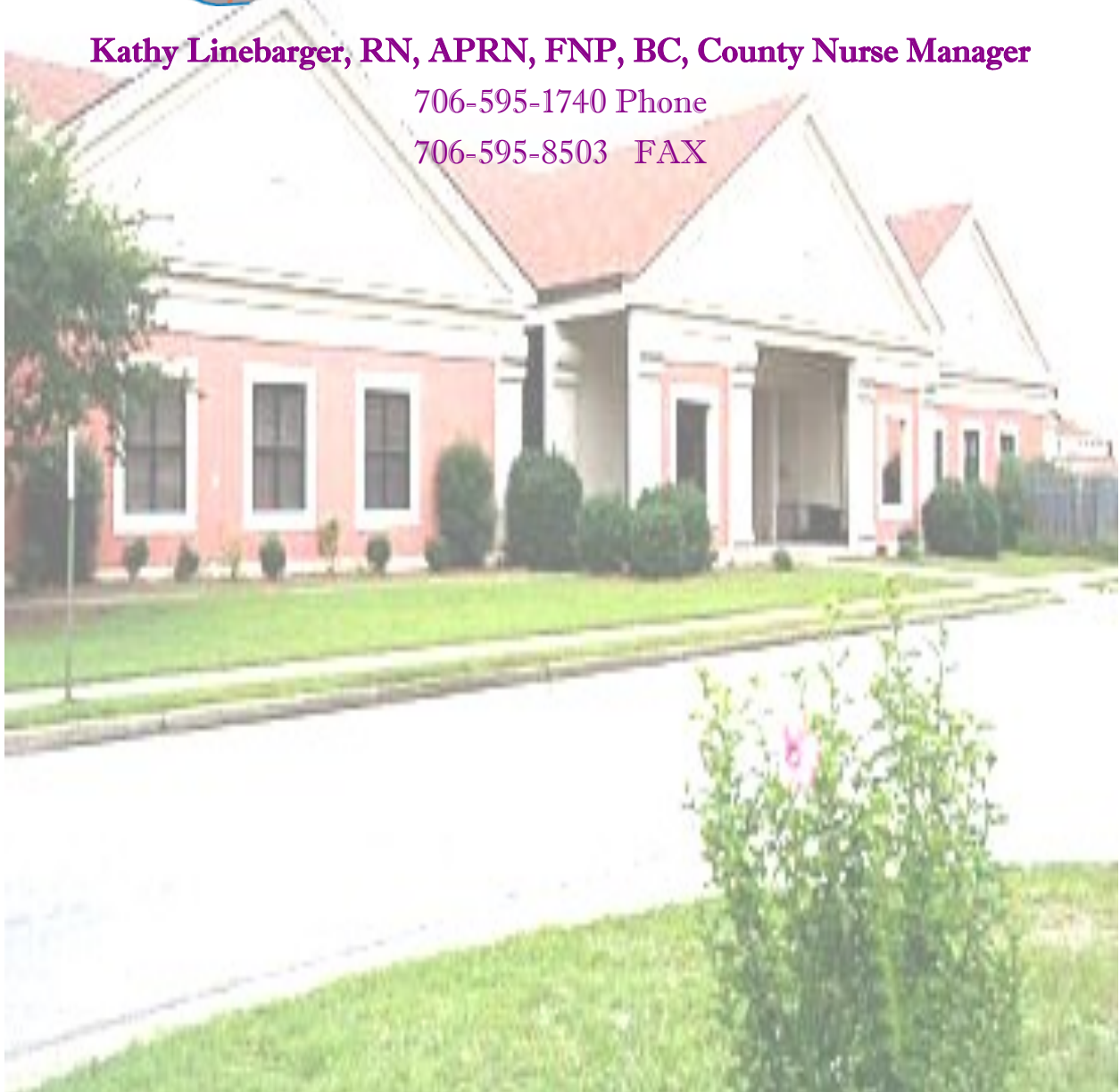
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	Revenues			EXPENSES	
	FY 2013	FY 2014 (UNAUDITED)		FY 2013	FY 2014 (UNAUDITED)
County	\$ 102,500	\$ 102,500	Personnel	\$ 413,364	\$ 437,459
State GIA (Grant-in-Aid)	\$ 211,522	\$ 222,757	Operating	\$ 47,779	\$ 54,989
Other	\$ 178,061	\$ 132,379			
TOTAL	\$ 492,083	\$ 457,636	TOTAL	\$ 461,143	\$ 492,448

PROGRAMS	TOTAL CLIENTS	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
Family Planning	655	517
Child Health	99	58
Immunizations	656	713
STD	208	161
TB / PPD	165	114
WIC	1147	1104
<i>Vital Records provided by the County Probate Court</i>		

FACT SHEET

<i>People Quick Facts/OASIS</i>	<i>McDuffie County</i>	<i>Georgia</i>
Population, 2012	21,663	9,919,945
Population, percent change, 2010 to 2012	-1.0%	2.4%
Persons under 5 years old, percent, 2012	7.0%	6.8%
Persons 65 years old and over, percent, 2012	14.8%	11.5%
White persons, percent, 2012 (a)	57.1%	62.8%
Black persons, percent, 2012 (a)	40.6%	31.2%
High school graduates, percent of persons age 25+, 2007-2011	71.8%	84.0%
Persons below poverty level, percent, 2007—2011	19.2%	16.5%
Infant death rate 2007—2011	9.7	7.3
Low birth weight percent 2007—2011	11.7%	9.5%
Teen pregnancy rate 2007—2011, ages 10—17	15.7	12.6

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	Revenues			EXPENSES	
	FY 2013	FY 2014 (UNAUDITED)		FY 2013	FY 2014 (UNAUDITED)
County	\$1,028,940	\$1,016,592	Personnel	\$4,016,460	\$4,141,819
State GIA (Grant-in-Aid)	\$2,042,953	\$2,191,854	Operating	\$1,406,855	\$1,541,745
Other	\$3,230,861	\$2,656,778			
TOTAL	\$6,302,754	\$5,865,224	TOTAL	\$5,423,315	\$5,683,564

PROGRAMS	TOTAL CLIENTS	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
Family Planning	3334	3565
Child Health	1217	1177
Immunizations	5796	5617
STD	2323	2269
TB / PPD	3744	2838
WIC	11947	11487

VITAL STATISTICS	TOTALS		VITAL STATISTICS	TOTAL	
	FY 2013	FY 2014		FY 2013	FY 2014
Births Certificates	26,675	25,123	Birth Verifications	13	7
Deaths	22,388	22,146	Legitimations	21	16
Paternity Acknowledgements	94	67	Delayed Birth Certificates	41	40
Amendments	34	64	Home Birth	1	0

FACT SHEET		
<i>People Quick Facts/OASIS</i>	<i>Richmond County</i>	<i>Georgia</i>
Population, 2012	202,587	9,919,945
Population, percent change, 2010 to 2012	1.0%	2.4%
Persons under 5 years old, percent, 2012	7.4%	6.8%
Persons 65 years old and over, percent, 2012	11.8%	11.5%
White persons, percent, 2012 (a)	40.3%	62.8%
Black persons, percent, 2012 (a)	54.9%	31.2%
High school graduates, percent of persons age 25+, 2007-2011	82.3%	84.0%
Persons below poverty level, percent, 2007—2011	23.7%	16.5%
Infant death rate 2007—2011	10.9	7.3
Low birth weight percent 2007—2011	11.3%	9.5%
Teen pregnancy rate 2007—2011, ages 10—17	18.4	12.6

SCREVEN COUNTY

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Screven County Health Department

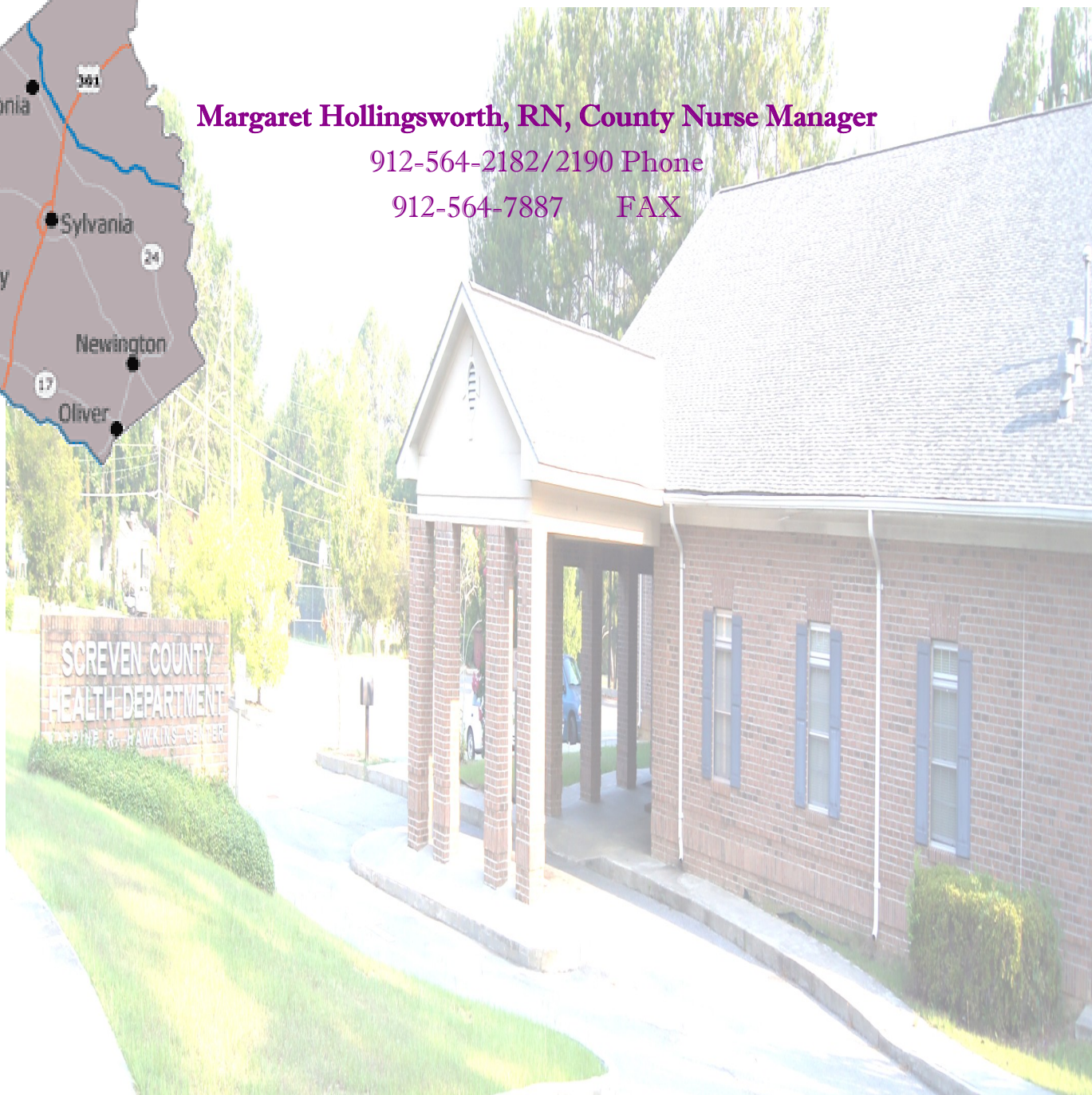
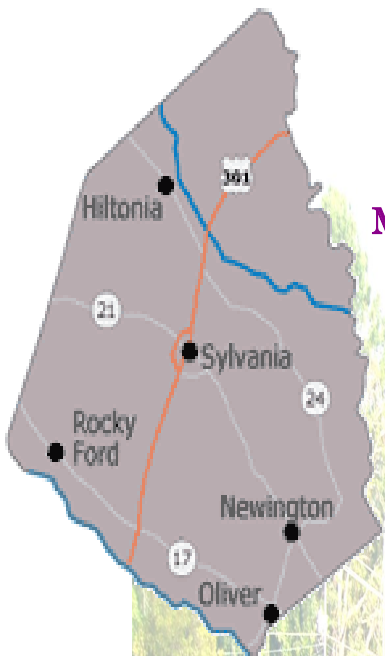
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	Revenues			EXPENSES	
	FY 2013	FY 2014 (UNAUDITED)		FY 2013	FY 2014 (UNAUDITED)
County	\$ 60,168	\$ 50,000	Personnel	\$ 364,445	\$ 377,840
State GIA (Grant-in-Aid)	\$ 193,002	\$ 200,446	Operating	\$ 46,196	\$ 60,284
Other	\$ 159,178	\$ 131,253			
TOTAL	\$ 412,348	\$ 381,699	TOTAL	\$ 410,641	\$ 438,124

PROGRAMS	TOTAL CLIENTS	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
Family Planning	257	265
Child Health	163	144
Immunizations	1303	1196
STD	48	37
TB / PPD	180	164
WIC	817	772
<i>Vital Records provided by the County Probate Court</i>		

FACT SHEET

People Quick Facts/OASIS

	Screven County	Georgia
Population, 2012	14,202	9,919,945
Population, percent change, 2010 to 2012	-2.7%	2.4%
Persons under 5 years old, percent, 2012	6.9%	6.8%
Persons 65 years old and over, percent, 2012	15.9%	11.5%
White persons, percent, 2012 (a)	55.4%	62.8%
Black persons, percent, 2012 (a)	42.5%	31.2%
High school graduates, percent of persons age 25+, 2007-2011	75.0%	84.0%
Persons below poverty level, percent, 2007—2011	25.4%	16.5%
Infant death rate 2007—2011	14.9	7.3
Low birth weight percent 2007—2011	10.2%	9.5%
Teen pregnancy rate 2007—2011, ages 10—17	17.3	12.6

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	Revenues			EXPENSES	
	FY 2013	FY 2014		FY 2013	FY 2014
County	\$ 31,503	\$ 31,503	Personnel	\$ 97,424	\$ 108,325
State GIA (Grant-in-Aid)	\$ 78,898	\$ 87,676	Operating	\$ 33,541	\$ 29,843
Other	\$ 30,779	\$ 20,638			
TOTAL	\$ 141,180	\$ 139,817	TOTAL	\$ 130,965	\$ 138,168

PROGRAMS	TOTAL CLIENTS	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
Family Planning	59	59
Child Health	50	30
Immunizations	201	196
STD	14	22
TB / PPD	12	17
WIC	99	106
<i>Vital Records provided by the County Probate Court</i>		

FACT SHEET

People Quick Facts/OASIS

Population, 2012	1,680	9,919,945
Population, percent change, 2010 to 2012	-2.2%	2.4%
Persons under 5 years old, percent, 2012	5.7%	6.8%
Persons 65 years old and over, percent, 2012	21.4%	11.5%
White persons, percent, 2012 (a)	38.2%	62.8%
Black persons, percent, 2012 (a)	59.3%	31.2%
High school graduates, percent of persons age 25+, 2007-2011	60.1%	84.0%
Persons below poverty level, percent, 2007—2011	30.6%	16.5%
Infant death rate 2007—2011	***	7.3
Low birth weight percent 2007—2011	***	9.5%
Teen pregnancy rate 2007—2011, ages 10—17	***	12.6

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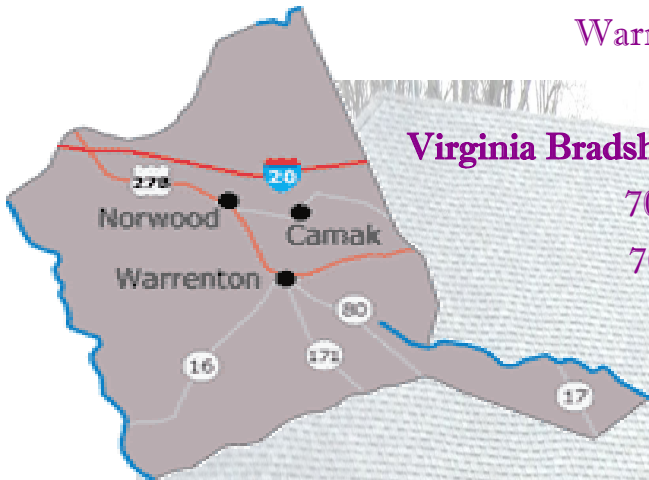
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	Revenues			EXPENSES	
	FY 2013	FY 2014 (UNAUDITED)		FY 2013	FY 2014 (UNAUDITED)
County	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	Personnel	\$ 105,039	\$ 108,689
State GIA (Grant-in-Aid)	\$ 100,333	\$ 105,179	Operating	\$ 46,524	\$ 49,646
Other	\$ 38,171	\$ 24,764			
TOTAL	\$ 163,504	\$ 154,943	TOTAL	\$ 151,563	\$ 158,335

PROGRAMS	TOTAL CLIENTS	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
Family Planning	111	88
Child Health	51	38
Immunizations	172	98
STD	6	10
TB / PPD	12	34
WIC	268	238
<i>Vital Records provided by the County Probate Court</i>		

FACT SHEET		
People Quick Facts/OASIS	Warren County	Georgia
Population, 2012	5,578	9,919,945
Population, percent change, 2010 to 2012	-4.4	2.4%
Persons under 5 years old, percent, 2012	6.5%	6.8%
Persons 65 years old and over, percent, 2012	19.6%	11.5%
White persons, percent, 2012 (a)	38.0%	62.8%
Black persons, percent, 2012 (a)	60.5%	31.2%
High school graduates, percent of persons age 25+, 2007-2011	71.8%	84.0%
Persons below poverty level, percent, 2007—2011	25.3%	16.5%
Infant death rate 2007—2011	***	7.3
Low birth weight percent 2007—2011	13.8%	9.5%
Teen pregnancy rate 2007—2011, ages 10—17	19.0	12.6

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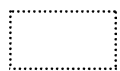
	Revenues			EXPENSES	
	FY 2013	FY 2014 (UNAUDITED)		FY 2013	FY 2014 (UNAUDITED)
County	\$ 58,800	\$ 58,800	Personnel	\$ 258,409	\$ 254,087
State GIA (Grant-in-Aid)	\$ 124,184	\$ 127,852	Operating	\$ 49,847	\$ 51,242
Other	\$ 121,459	\$ 102,381			
TOTAL	\$ 304,443	\$ 289,033	TOTAL	\$308,256	\$305,329

PROGRAMS	TOTAL CLIENTS	
	FY 2013	FY 2014
Family Planning	256	201
Child Health	78	100
Immunizations	864	532
STD	82	90
TB / PPD	136	151
WIC	515	477
<i>Vital Records provided by the County Probate Court</i>		

FACT SHEET

People Quick Facts/OASIS

	<i>Wilkes County</i>	<i>Georgia</i>
Population, 2012	10,076	9,919,945
Population, percent change, 2010 to 2012	-4.9%	2.4%
Persons under 5 years old, percent, 2012	5.8%	6.8%
Persons 65 years old and over, percent, 2012	20.3%	11.5%
White persons, percent, 2012 (a)	55.4%	62.8%
Black persons, percent, 2012 (a)	42.2%	31.2%
High school graduates, percent of persons age 25+, 2007-2011	74.3%	84.0%
Persons below poverty level, percent, 2007—2011	25.0%	16.5%
Infant death rate 2007—2011	***	7.3
Low birth weight percent 2007—2011	10.1%	9.5%
Teen pregnancy rate 2007—2011, ages 10—17	14.5	12.6



A photograph of a calm pond reflecting the surrounding greenery. In the background, a small white gazebo with a brown roof stands on a grassy bank. To the right, two cars are parked on a paved area near a brick house. The water in the foreground is still, creating clear reflections of the trees and the gazebo.

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