

Core Public Health Services Activity Summary

Howard County

This is a snapshot of core service activity as reported by local health departments from Jan. 1, 2024 - Dec. 31, 2024

Total Number of Services Provided (All Core Services): 28,110

Population: 83,831

Access and Linkage to Clinical Care

Total Number of Services Provided: 562

Screening and Referrals (369)

Number of people screened for high blood pressure through local health department or partners	19
Number of people screened with a hemoglobin A1c through local health department or partners	32
Number of people identified with elevated hemoglobin A1c	8
Number of people screened for diabetes risk factors through local health department or partners	32
Number of people referred to or enrolled in a diabetes prevention program	32
Number of people referred to or enrolled in a diabetes self-management education support program	32
Number of people screened for high cholesterol through local health department or partners	32
Number of people identified with high cholesterol	24
Number of people screened for BMI	32
Number of people referred to a weight treatment or obesity prevention program	32
Number of people identified as having a BMI over 30	28
Number of people referred for chronic disease preventative care	16
Number of people screening positive for food insecurity	25
Number of people referred to a food assistance program	25

Programming (47)

Number of adults participating in nutrition and physical activity education programming	32
Number of seniors participating in nutrition and physical activity education programming	14
Number of cancer survivorship related services provided (smoking cessation resources, cancer support groups, respite opportunities for care givers)	1

Number of pediatric referrals for clinical care: (8)

Obesity/Overweight	2
Mental Health Services	3
General	3

Number of adults referrals for clinical care: (120)

Hypertension	1
Diabetes	16
Obesity	14
HIV	5
Hepatitis	3
Syphilis	3
Chlamydia	4
Gonorrhea	3
Substance Use Disorder	3
Mental Health Services	4
General	18
Number of individuals referred to insurance navigation or Medicaid/Medicare	46

Other (18)

Other Services Provided:	
- Individuals referred to Project Access	18

Child and Adult Immunizations

Total Number of Services Provided: 2,387

Number of children who received immunizations at the local health department or a contractor/partner of the LHD	735
Number of individuals connected with insurance navigation services	28
Number of adults who received immunizations at the LHD or a contractor/partner of the LHD	676
Number of vaccination clinics held off-site of primary LHD location	18

Other (930)

Other Services Provided:	
- Immunizations provided/administered at LHD	930

Childhood Lead Screening and Case Management

Total Number of Services Provided: 490

Testing (130)

Number of children tested for blood lead level	12
Number of children identified with an elevated blood lead level (EBLL) above 3.5 µg/dL	60
Number of children identified with an EBLL for whom case management was started	56
Number of children with an EBLL who were referred to developmental resource services (Head Start, etc.)	2

Home Services (7)

Number of homes of children with EBLLs at which the LHD was able to conduct a risk assessment	1
Number of children identified with an EBLL whose homes had an identified lead hazard	1
Number of individuals connected with financial assistance for home lead remediation services	1
Number of families provided lead cleaning supplies	3
Number of families assisted with in-home lead remediation services	1

Education (353)

Number of families provided lead education	342
Number of health care providers or early childhood providers given lead testing/lead reduction education	11

Chronic Disease Prevention and Reduction

Total Number of Services Provided: 456

Screening and Referrals (409)

Number of people screened for high blood pressure through local health department or partners	21
Number of people screened with a hemoglobin A1c through local health department or partners	32
Number of people identified with elevated hemoglobin A1c	8
Number of people screened for diabetes risk factors through local health department or partners	32
Number of people referred to or enrolled in a diabetes prevention program	32
Number of people referred to or enrolled in a diabetes self-management education support program	32
Number of people screened for high cholesterol through local health department or partners	32
Number of people identified with high cholesterol	24
Number of people screened for BMI	32
Number of people referred to a weight treatment or obesity prevention program	32
Number of people identified as having a BMI over 30	28
Number of people referred for chronic disease preventative care	32
Number of people screening positive for food insecurity	42
Number of people referred to a food assistance program	28
Number of people referred to the IDOH Breast and Cervical Cancer Program	2

Programming (47)

Number of adults participating in nutrition and physical activity education programming	32
Number of seniors participating in nutrition and physical activity education programming	14
Number of cancer survivorship related services provided (smoking cessation resources, cancer support groups, respite opportunities for care givers)	1

Emergency Preparedness

Total Number of Services Provided: 1,631

Number of individuals that received medical countermeasure (vaccine, test, service) during public health related outbreak or emergency	1,593
Number of emergency preparedness drills/exercises conducted between LHD and other preparedness partners	13

Other (25)

Other Services Provided: - Provided gloves	25
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Fatality Review (Child, Infant, Fetal, Suicide, Overdose)

Total Number of Services Provided: 654

Equipment/Resources (342)

Number of people provided with infant safe sleep education, including families and professionals	48
Number of infant sleep sacks provided to families	154
Number of firearm locks provided to families	140

Education (14)

Number of people trained in an evidence-based suicide prevention training (QPR, ASIST, MHFA, etc.)	5
Number of people educated about 988 and crisis resources	9

Referrals/Screenings (274)

Number of childbearing-aged women screened for domestic violence risk	137
Number of childbearing-aged women screened for social determinants of health	137

Community Support (22)

Number of schools in county with evidence-based anti-bullying programs and groups that support student mental health (e.g., Bring Change to Mind)	3
Number of certified peer recovery coaches in county with support of LHD	19

Other (2)

Other Services Provided: - Provided information for suicide hotline	2
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Infectious Disease Prevention and Control

Total Number of Services Provided: 855

Disease Prevention and Control (4)

Number of outbreaks (or suspected outbreaks) that were investigated	2
Number of outbreaks (or suspected outbreaks) in which the pathogen responsible for the outbreak was identified if known	1
Number of vaccinations given due to disease investigation interviews (e.g., HAV, HBV)	1

Testing (556)

Number of people provided HIV testing	124
Number of people provided Hepatitis C testing	88
Number of people provided Syphilis testing	94
Number of people provided Chlamydia testing	125
Number of people provided Gonorrhea testing	125

Referrals and Treatment (105)

Number of referrals to counseling and/or care for HIV	9
Number of referrals to counseling and/or care for Hepatitis	7
Number of referrals to counseling and/or care for Syphilis	8
Number of referrals to counseling and/or care for Chlamydia	17
Number of referrals to counseling and/or care for Gonorrhea	15
Number of individuals treated for HCV/HIV/STI (not including Syphilis)	44
Number of individuals treated for Syphilis	5

Community Outreach (190)

Number of people educated on HIV/HCV/STI	190
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Maternal and Child Health

Total Number of Services Provided: 17,111

Prenatal Services (up to time of delivery) (47)

Number of women provided prenatal services - Syphilis testing	3
Number of women provided prenatal services - HIV testing	3
Number of women provided prenatal services - Hepatitis C testing	3
Number of women provided prenatal services - Chlamydia testing	4
Number of women provided prenatal services - Gonorrhea testing	4
Number of women provided prenatal services - Clinical care (healthcare provider, such as physician, nurse practitioner, clinic, midwife)	1
Number of women provided prenatal services - Immunizations, such as RSV and Tdap	2
Number of women referred to My Healthy Baby	24
Number of women referred to health/substance use disorder services - Prenatal	3
Postpartum Services (following delivery) (2)	
Number of families referred to pediatric care	2
Health and Safety Services (16,821)	
Number of people provided safe sleep education	107
Number of people receiving sleep sacks	154
Number of period products distributed	16,560
Community Assistance (22)	
Number of people referred to substance use disorder treatment/support	3
Number of referrals to housing supports or resources	4
Number of families provided with utility/rent assistance	2
Number of families referred to an insurance navigator or Medicaid	13
Contraception/STIs (209)	
Number of people provided contraceptive education	131
Number of women tested for STIs/HIV	62
Number of women referred for STI/HIV treatment	4
Number of women treated for STIs/HIV	12
Food and Nutrition (10)	
Number of families referred or connected to local food pantries	10
Student Health/School Health Liaison	
Total Number of Services Provided: 1,729	
Education (870)	
Number of schools requesting support with mental health education, resources through school liaison	34
Number of students receiving tobacco and vaping cessation education through LHD/school liaison	834
Number of schools in county with supported evidence-based anti-bullying programs and groups that support student mental health (e.g., Bring Change to Mind)	2
Number of schools partnering with school liaisons to provide health promotion and education for: (22)	
Trauma and Injury Prevention	15
Nutrition	5
Child Safety Topics - First Aid	2
Number of schools receiving emergency preparedness education (staff and students): (16)	
Stop the Bleed	10
Overdose/naloxone	6
Equipment / Supplies (36)	
Number of Stop the Bleed kits distributed through school liaisons	24
Number of schools who received other public health-related equipment from their LHD (such as vision screeners, etc.)	4
Number of schools provided with AED equipment	8
LHD Support (550)	
Number of schools stocking emergency medications through LHD/school liaison - Albuterol	20
Number of schools stocking emergency medications through LHD/school liaison - Epinephrine	16
Number of schools stocking emergency medications through LHD/school liaison - Naloxone	18
Number of immunizations given at LHD/Liaison clinics for students/staff	496
Number of student support initiatives provided by school (or county) with support of LHD/school liaison: (34)	
Clothing Closets	10
Hygiene Supplies	13
Feminine Hygiene Supplies	11
Other (201)	
Other Services Provided:	201
- Provided nutrition options to 4 area schools	
- Hosted 2 complete student workshops	
- Facilitated Student Mental Health Resiliency Workshop	
Tobacco Prevention and Cessation	
Total Number of Services Provided: 500	
Number of individuals age 13 years or older referred to Indiana Tobacco Quitline/Quit Now Indiana or other cessation resource	34
Number of youth provided education on the harms of vaping	289
Number of adults provided education on the harms of tobacco use and vaping	150
Number of school staff who have been trained to provide tobacco education	2
Number of schools providing vaping prevention education through local health department/school liaison	15
Number of schools providing nicotine dependence treatment resources through local health department/school liaison	10
Trauma and Injury Prevention and Education	
Total Number of Services Provided: 315	
Training/Education (50)	
Number of people receiving Stop the Bleed training	22
Number of people educated and/or trained on substance use prevention	7
Number of certified peer recovery coaches in county with support of LHD	21

Equipment (254)	
Number of firearm locks provided to families	41
Number of people provided with infant safe sleep education, including families and professionals	106
Number of infant sleep sacks provided to families	107
Referrals (6)	
Number of people referred/linked to substance use/mental health treatment	6
Other (5)	
Other Services Provided:	5
- Referrals to free smoke alarms	
- Poison education	

Tuberculosis (TB) Prevention and Case Management	
Total Number of Services Provided: 1,420	
Number of people provided TB testing (IGRA or TST)	724
Number of people provided treatment for latent TB infection (LTBI)	106
Number of people provided treatment for TB disease	13
Number of people provided Directly Observed Therapy (DOT) services	98
Number of people educated on TB	447
Number of people with a Class B1 TB designation served	14
Number of referrals to wraparound services	18

Notes:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Activity tracker entries were self-reported by local health departments who opted into Health First Indiana in 2024.- Calculations focused on number of services provided summing the subfields when data was available; when unavailable, the number of unique individuals served was used.- Changes to these data and/or associated collection methods may affect the comparability of counts to previous or future reports.- Reported counts may also contain duplications of unique individuals and activities.- Population data are based on the 2023 U.S. Bureau of Census estimate population counts for Indiana and its county populations.	
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