

Health Board Meeting for 03/18/2019

**FOODS DIVISION REPORT**

**Total Food License issued as of 03/18/2019 is 360 license.**

+/- 75 food license issued since last Health Board meeting.

+/- 20 complaints, e-mail, phone, and my cell phone since last Health Board meeting.

+/- phone calls, e-mail and my cell phone, pertaining to restaurants, plan review, opening inspections since last Health Board meeting.

New facilities- 9

Closed facilities-

Plan Reviews- 2 (remodeling current facilities.)

**Other concerns/duties of the Foods Division 03/18/19**

Taught a class at IWU, at the Health & Human Performance Division, for Professor Karen Hatch.

The Foods and Environmental won our Northeast Chapter award for 2018 at the IEHA Fall Conference.

I also talked on WBAT on 03/07/19 at 7:30 a.m. with Tim George and Ed Bren- and we also stated to listeners to e-mail us so that we can address their issues.

Foods has been operating out of 3 different offices during the re- model, this should have been thought out better to reduce complaints and irate walk ins, phone calls and e-mails.

We have done our best especially without having office, office phones or computer with our files.

Thanks to IT our computer was only down a short time.

**Nursing Division March Report**

We are continuing to administer Hepatitis A vaccines to our community members. On February 20<sup>th</sup> we returned to the Grant Co. Rescue Mission to administer the second dose and offer the first dose. Then on March 13<sup>th</sup> we set up at St. Martin Community Center to also administer the second dose and offer the first dose. We completed the series for several clients at both locations but many also started the series.

The number of cases being reported to the health department has decreased. We believe offering the vaccine and providing education has helped lessen the number of cases.

At the last board meeting, a few board members commented on wanting to address the drug and tobacco use in Grant County. The nursing division has taken those suggestions and is currently researching different programs that can assist in those areas of concern. We will share more detailed information once we gather the data. We want to make sure any program offered through the health department is successful in helping our community make healthier choices.

### **Vital Records**

As you can see we are still out of our office. It's been a challenge, but I am proud of the way we have met our customers needs. The nurses have been extremely helpful and welcoming.

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