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MESSAGE FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

Dear Lafayette County Community Members,

It is my great pleasure to present the first annual report of the Lafayette County Health Department. It has truly been an honor to serve the citizens of Lafayette County since my appointment in June 2009. Although the health department has faced several challenges this past year, including declining resources, an increased demand for services, and the emergence of H1N1, we have also celebrated many successes. We will embrace future challenges with dedication, commitment and leadership in order to promote, protect and improve the health of our citizens.

One of the major accomplishments of 2009 was our H1N1 “swine flu” immunization campaign, which involved numerous community partners, including Lafayette County Schools, faith-based organizations, and local health care providers. A complete list of community partners is presented at the end of this report. We are indebted to our community partners for their support and we look forward to continued collaborations.

It is with sincere thanks and deep gratitude that I express my appreciation to our dedicated staff who strive every day to provide compassionate, quality services to residents and visitors of Lafayette County. This annual report provides a summary of the services and accomplishments during 2009.

Please join me in applauding our staff and partners for a job well done. It is my sincere hope that 2010 will be a year of improved health and recovery for our residents, the state of Florida, and our great country.

In service,

Pamela M. Blackmon, RN, BSN, MPH
Administrator
Lafayette County Health Department



MESSAGE FROM THE SURGEON GENERAL

Dear Colleagues and Friends:

As State Surgeon General of the Florida Department of Health, it is my pleasure to join the Lafayette County Health Department in presenting their Annual Report for the 2008-09 fiscal year. This report presents a summary of the health department's impact on the community through the medical services provided, the Healthy Communities Healthy People initiatives, disease intervention activities, environmental health and prevention programs, and H1N1 and public health preparedness efforts. These are just two examples of many that could have been used to quantify the increase in clients served and services provided. The unwavering commitment of employees and community partners alike are the reason for Lafayette County Health Department's success.

In 2008-09, the number of primary care clients seen at Lafayette County Health Department almost doubled from the previous year—having served 447 clients, up from 243. This translated to an even greater increase in primary care services provided. In 2008-09, Lafayette County Health Department provided 1,679 primary care services. This represents a growth of more than 50 percent of total services since the 2007-08 fiscal year when Lafayette County Health Department provided 780 primary care services. This data does not take into consideration the countless others in the Lafayette County who have benefited indirectly because of the services provided. I am proud of the innovative leadership and dedicated staff for providing increased services with fewer resources.

The increase in availability and access to health care provided by the Lafayette County Health Department is an important component in helping residents embrace a healthy lifestyle; nevertheless, encouraging residents to practice healthy behaviors can be just as important to preventing illness, injury and disease. Again, the Lafayette County Health Department has done this through education and counseling programs, screening and testing services, as well as clinics among other community, faith-based, worksite and youth-directed efforts.

I am very proud of the quality public health services the dedicated professionals of the Lafayette County Health Department continue to provide as they fulfill the Department's mission to promote, protect and improve the health of all people in Florida.

Sincerely,

Ana M. Viamonte-Ros, M.D., M.P.H.
State Surgeon General



DOH MISSION, VISION AND VALUES

Mission

Promote, protect and improve the health of all people in Florida.

Vision

A healthier future for the people of Florida.

Values

Excellence: We achieve and maintain quality results and outcomes through continuous performance improvement and learning.

Commitment to Service: We dedicate ourselves to provide services unconditionally and without partiality.

Accountability: We take full responsibility for our behavior and performance.

Empowerment: We create a culture that encourages people to exercise their judgment and initiative in pursuit of organizational goals.

Integrity: Our guide for actions -- which incorporates our commitment to honesty, fairness, loyalty and trustworthiness -- is in the best interests of our customers and employees.

Respect: We recognize and honor the contributions of one another in our daily activities and create an environment where diversity is appreciated and encouraged.

Teamwork: We encourage active collaboration to solve problems, make decisions, and achieve common goals.

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10 ESSENTIAL PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES

The **Essential Public Health Services** describe the public health activities that should be undertaken in all communities. These essential services are defined by the National Public Health Performance Standards Program (NPHPSP) and include the following 10 services:

1. Monitor health status to identify and solve 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 and action 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 assure the provision of health care when otherwise unavailable.
8. Assure competent public and personal health care workforce.
9. Evaluate effectiveness, accessibility, and quality of personal and population-based health services.
10. Research for new insights and innovative solutions to health problems.

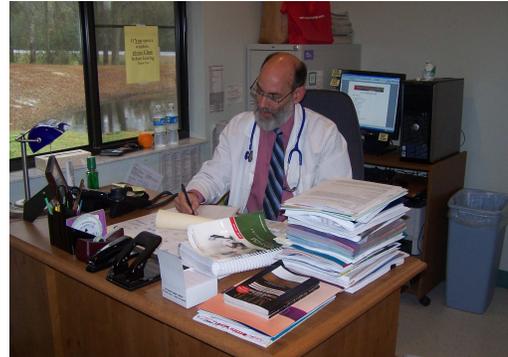


Public Health
Prevent. Promote. Protect.

MEDICAL SERVICES

CLINIC SERVICES

The Lafayette County Health Department provides a variety of healthcare services to meet the needs of the people in our community. During the 2008/2009 fiscal year, the Lafayette County Health Department provided 49,226 medical services.



Services Provided	
School Health	31,534
Dental Health	10,841
Immunizations	1,238
Family Planning	1,167
Adult Health	1,114
Prenatal Care	978
Healthy Start-Women	970
Pediatrics	565
Healthy Start – Infants	543
STD HIV/AIDS	162
Tuberculosis	114
Total Medical Services	49,226

PRIMARY CARE

The Lafayette County Health Department employs an Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner (ARNP), Mrs. Kimberly Jackson, to provide adult and pediatric primary care services. Dr. Patrick Woloszyn serves as the Medical Director for the Lafayette County Health Department. Primary care services include acute and chronic care, disease management, school, sports, employment, adult and child physicals, screenings, labs, women's health and education. During fiscal year 2008/2009 1,679 adult and pediatric primary care services were provided at the Lafayette County Health Department, more than doubling from the previous fiscal year.

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MEDICAL SERVICES

FAMILY PLANNING

Family Planning is available to all females during their reproductive years who desire assistance with planning or preventing a pregnancy. Family Planning services funded through the Federal Title X Family Planning Program guarantee access to care. Charges for services are based on family size and income. Male and female sterilization services (vasectomy and tubal ligations) are provided on a limited basis, dependent on available funding. Mrs. Kimberly Jackson, ARNP provides family planning services at the Lafayette County Health Department. The family planning program provided 1,167 services during the 2008/2009 fiscal year, an increase of 471 services from the previous year.

Family Planning Services

- Yearly exams for women
- Breast and cervical cancer screening
- Birth control methods and devices
- Natural family planning counseling
- Pregnancy counseling and testing
- Basic infertility services
- Family Planning care for new mothers
- STD counseling, testing, and treatment
- HIV/AIDS counseling and testing



PRENATAL CARE

The Lafayette County Health Department contracts with the University of Florida to provide prenatal services to eligible women. The prenatal care program provided 978 services to 65 women during fiscal year 2008/2009.

DENTAL CLINIC

Dental services offered at the Lafayette County Health Department include dental screenings for children and adults, preventative dental care, treatment, hygiene services and restorative services, such as fillings and crowns. The staff consists of one full time dentist, one full time hygienist, two full time dental assistants, and one clerk. Medicaid services are provided to children ages 4 to 21, and emergency services to Medicaid adult recipients. The Lafayette County Health Department was pleased to expand dental services to private pay residents in July 2009. The Dental Program provided 10,841 services during the 2008/2009 fiscal year. In addition to direct patient care, the staff participated in numerous community outreach programs during 2009.

DISEASE INTERVENTION

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE CONTROL

The Communicable Disease program offers Tuberculosis (TB), HIV/AIDS, and Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD) services, as described below. The health department is also responsible for surveillance and investigation of reportable diseases or outbreaks in the community. The communicable disease program provided 276 services during the 2008/2009 fiscal year.

TUBERCULOSIS

Services available through the TB program include examination, testing, diagnosis, treatment and contact investigation and disease surveillance. TB medications are provided through directly observed therapy. The main focus of the TB program at the Lafayette County Health Department is to identify and treat residents with active and latent TB.

SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASE/HIV/AIDS

Sexually transmitted disease (STD), HIV/AIDS services offered at the Lafayette County Health Department include examination, testing, counseling, treatment and contact notification services. In addition, confidential and anonymous HIV testing, counseling and partner notification services are available. During fiscal year 2008/2009 95 HIV screening services were provided. Medication assistance is available to clients with AIDS through the AIDS Drug Assistance Program

EPIDEMIOLOGY

The Epidemiology program is responsible for identifying, assessing and controlling the presence and spread of communicable diseases in Lafayette County. Currently, there are 90 communicable diseases that must be reported to the local county health department. Reports are submitted by laboratories, hospitals, physicians and other health care providers. Once a communicable disease is reported in an individual, group, or cluster the Lafayette County Health Department conducts a thorough case and outbreak investigation.

DISEASE INTERVENTION

IMMUNIZATIONS

Millions of people have benefited from vaccines for more than two centuries. The history of vaccines and immunization began in the 1790's with the creation of the world's first vaccine for smallpox. Public health professionals and the World Health Organization (WHO) rank immunization in the top ten health achievements of the past century. Vaccines protect infants, children, and adults from the unnecessary harm and premature death caused by a number of severe communicable diseases. Vaccination is the single most effective communicable disease prevention strategy.

Florida Statutes require specific immunizations for infants and children who attend childcare, family childcare homes, kindergarten and grade school. Florida's childcare and school entry immunization requirements ensure that students are protected against communicable diseases. The Vaccines for Children (VFC) program is a federal program providing free immunizations for children from birth through age 18. The goal of the vaccination program is to eliminate vaccine preventable illnesses through immunization. In fiscal year 2008-2009, 593 doses of VFC vaccine were administered at the Lafayette County Health Department.

Lafayette County Health Department promotes immunizations during Kindergarten round-up, immunization month and community health fairs. The health department also serves as a resource for vaccination information to childcare facilities and physician offices.

A variety of adult immunizations are also provided at the health department, including Tetanus, MMR, Hepatitis A and B, Influenza, Pneumonia and Shingles. The immunization program provided 1,238 services in fiscal year 2008-2009, an increase of 95 services over the previous fiscal year.



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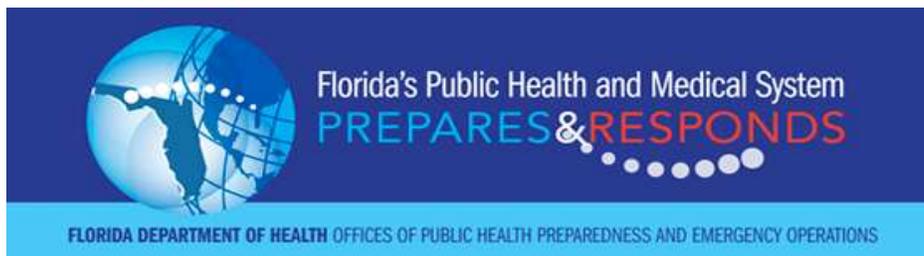
H1N1

On June 11, 2009, the World Health Organization (WHO) declared an H1N1 pandemic. This new flu virus is a mixture of bird, human and several different swine influenza viruses. The virus first emerged in Mexico in early 2009 and spread quickly to all 50 United States. The first lab confirmed case in the United States occurred on April 15, 2009. By June 2009, H1N1 had spread to all 50 States. Although influenza is not usually seen in the summer months, H1N1 activity was higher than winter influenza peak activity. As anticipated, the number of H1N1 cases increased when children returned to school in the fall of 2009. By fall of 2009, the CDC estimated there had been one million cases of H1N1 worldwide.

The H1N1 virus is spread through the air from person to person. H1N1 is also spread by touching contaminated surfaces, such as doorknobs. Symptoms of H1N1 are similar to seasonal influenza, including fever, cough, sore throat, runny nose, body aches, chills, fatigue, headache, and vomiting and diarrhea.

The Health Department began developing an H1N1 plan prior to the emergence of the first confirmed case of H1N1. We began a mass vaccination plan targeting high risk populations with an ultimate goal of immunizing all residents desiring H1N1 vaccination. These initial vaccinations targeted high risk groups identified by the CDC, including pregnant women, children and young adults from 6 months to 24 years of age, healthcare providers, household contacts of infants less than 6 months of age, and people aged 25-64 with underlying medical conditions. In addition to these coordinated vaccination efforts, the Lafayette County Health Department monitored and reported the incidence of H1N1 in our county with the assistance of the Lafayette County Schools and local health care providers.

During the campaign residents were urged to “Take 3” to decrease transmission of H1N1, including 1) vaccination; 2) preventive actions – staying home if sick, covering cough, hand washing, avoiding contact with sick people, and cleaning frequently touched items; and 3) taking antiviral medication when indicated.



H1N1

A major focus of the H1N1 campaign was to educate residents about H1N1 and the importance of vaccination. Residents were kept abreast of information about H1N1 through the local media, letters and information sent home to parents by Lafayette County Schools, community presentations given by health department staff, and blast faxes to health care providers.

Success of this vaccination campaign involved early identification and participation of multiple community partners and volunteers. Through the dedicated efforts of our staff members, community partners, and volunteers the Lafayette County Health Department was able to provide multiple strategically placed vaccination clinics throughout the county. The most successful of these outreach clinics was at our public schools. By December, 2009, 406 public school children (34%) were vaccinated against H1N1. A total of 1,516 (19%) Lafayette County residents were vaccinated against H1N1 by the end of the 2009 calendar year.



Photo: County Commissioner
District 5 Earnest Jones



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ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

The Lafayette County Health Department's Environmental Health program includes a wide range of services, including septic tank permitting, septic inspections, water testing, nuisance complaint investigations, rabies control investigations, food borne illness outbreak investigations and facilities regulation.

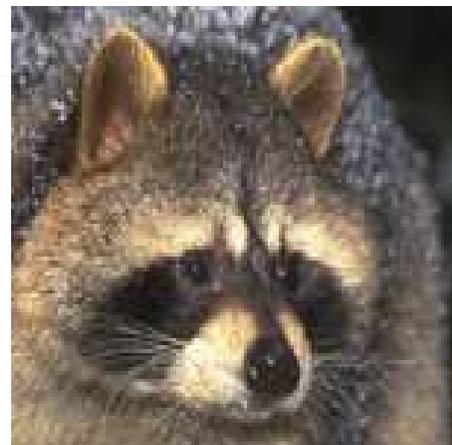
Facilities regulation includes tanning salons, group care facilities, swimming pools and spas, mobile home and RV parks, limited use water systems and institutional food facilities. The environmental health program provided 190 services in fiscal year 2008/2009.

RABIES CONTROL INVESTIGATIONS

Rabies is a virus transmitted from the saliva of an infected animal by a bite or a scratch. Rabies is a preventable disease that is almost 100% fatal if left untreated. To prevent rabies in humans and domesticated animals it is imperative that all animal bites be reported to the Lafayette County Health Department. The health department and animal services work jointly on animal bites and exposures and quarantines. Some obvious signs of rabies in animals are nervousness, fever, excessive drooling around the mouth area, and tremors.

RABIES SERVICES FISCAL YEAR 2008/2009

Type of Animal	Number of Investigations
Cats	04
Dogs	13
Raccoons	3



ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

SERVICES 2009

Environmental Surveillance ~ 22

Arbovirus Surveillance
Rabies Control Investigations
Sanitary Nuisance Investigations

Drinking Water Services ~ 31

Commercial well inspections
Community well inspections
Private well water sampling



Onsite Sewage Treatment and Disposal System (OSTDS) ~ 82

Most people know that a permit is required when a septic tank is going in for the first time, or a repair is needed. However, the Environmental Staff also completes inspections on pump trucks and at both land application sites and locations where septic tanks are manufactured. We also do annual inspections on septic tanks that are near the river, and the system is below the ten year flood elevation. This is to ensure the systems are working properly and to help protect the river.

Community Health Services ~ 55

Food Hygiene
Institutional Facilities
Food borne illness investigations
Group Care
Adult Family Care
Child Care
Foster Home
Schools (both public and private)
Mobile Home / RV Parks
Tanning



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PREVENTION PROGRAMS

HEALTHY START

Healthy Start is a voluntary program for all pregnant women and infants from birth to age three to ensure access to health care and promote a healthy outcome for mom and baby. Pregnant women and newborns in Lafayette County are screened for services. Risk factors are identified by the screens to determine what services might be needed. Healthy Start services are then offered to women and infants who enroll in the program. Services are free and there are no income requirements to receive services. Healthy Start services offered by the Lafayette County Health Department include:

- Home visits by a nurse or social worker
- Information about pregnancy and baby care
- Care coordination to assist in accessing needed services
- Education about having a healthy pregnancy and a healthy baby
- Help to quit smoking
- Classes on childbirth and support
- Breastfeeding education and support
- Health education-family planning, woman's health, nutrition and exercise
- Counseling services.

The Healthy Start program offers car seats at a reduced rate for Medicaid and WIC participants. The car seat program is part of the Safe Kids program located in Gainesville.



BREAST AND CERVICAL CANCER EARLY DETECTION

The Believe in Miracles program provides breast and cervical cancer early detection in 11 North Florida counties, including Lafayette. This program provides clinical breast exams, mammograms and pap smears to women who qualify. Women diagnosed with cervical or breast cancer through the Believe in Miracles program are eligible for Medicaid for treatment of their cancer. The Lafayette County Health Department assisted 8 women in 2009 through this program.

PREVENTION PROGRAMS

SCHOOL HEALTH

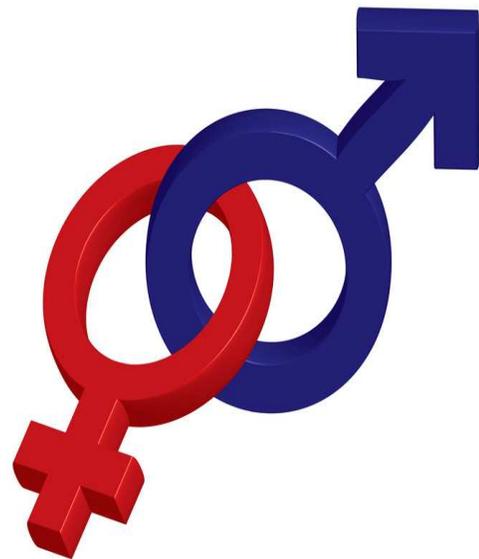
School Health Services in Lafayette County are provided by the Lafayette County Health Department. The Lafayette County Health Department employs a school health coordinator who is an RN, an LPN and two school health aides for the Lafayette County school system. Preventive health services are provided to students in grades K-12 as part of the total school health program. Services provided include medication administration, health counseling, health education, routine health screenings, and referral and follow-up of suspected or confirmed health problems. Consultations are also provided to students, teachers and parents or guardians. Lafayette County School Nurses provided 31,534 services to public school children during the 2008/2009 fiscal year.

FLUORIDE PROGRAM

The Fluoride Mouth Rinse Program is sponsored by the Lafayette County Health Department to aid in the prevention of dental disease. Participation in this program is open to students in Kindergarten through 6th grades. Participation is voluntary and is provided at no charge .

4TH-6TH GRADE PUBERTY CLASSES

Lafayette County Health Department School Nurses provide abstinence education classes to 7th and 8th graders at Lafayette High School. This abstinence curriculum, Postponing Sexual Involvement, teaches students to think about their future goals, how to reach those goals, and to recognize things that can get in the way of achieving those goals. The program covers teenage pregnancy risks, sexually transmitted diseases, and emotional issues. Students are encouraged to speak with a parent or responsible adult about these and other issues that may affect their personal health and future success.



HEALTHY COMMUNITIES HEALTHY PEOPLE

The goal of the Healthy Communities Healthy People program is to educate residents on ways to adopt healthy behaviors, including healthy eating habits, increased physical activity, and elimination of tobacco products. Adoption of these healthy behaviors is encouraged to prevent or control the devastating effects of chronic diseases. The program coordinator is available to collaborate with county agencies, governmental bodies, businesses, schools and individuals to create environmental and policy changes for healthy lifestyles. Community outreach activities include health fairs, lunch and learn events, worksite wellness programs, and oral health education.



Mrs. Priscilla Cashman
IFAS Nutritionist

Community Partners



Lafayette County Elected
Officials

WORKSITE WELLNESS

Lafayette County Health Department promotes worksite wellness among employees. The Healthy Communities Healthy People program promotes the Healthy People 2010 objectives related to consumption of fresh fruits and vegetables, nutrition education and weight management, and increased physical activity. The program coordinator regularly works with employees to help them establish healthy lifestyle goals. The coordinator promotes healthy lunches and health tips for employees to help them stay motivated and goal orientated. A wellness newsletter is produced quarterly and distributed to area businesses. Lunch and learn presentations are available for worksites. Contact Karen Wouff, program coordinator to assist your agency establish a worksite wellness program.

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TOBACCO PREVENTION

The Lafayette County Health Department sponsors Tobacco Free Lafayette (TFL). This partnership is designed to promote tobacco awareness and prevention in the community. The health department in collaboration with the Lafayette County Schools has organized a positive SWAT club to bring awareness to our youth and their families. We also partner with local providers to help citizens with tobacco addictions. The Lafayette County Health Department is working with policy makers to help reduce or eliminate tobacco usage at the workplace and in our community. The mission of Tobacco Free Lafayette is to initiate a stand-alone partnership, reduce the prevalence of tobacco use among Lafayette County residents and reduce exposure to environmental tobacco smoke by non-tobacco users.

Program Objectives

- Tobacco prevention, control, intervention and cessation
- Tobacco free environment
- Increase public awareness through education
- Tobacco reform through systemic change, prevention and control policies
- Train youth/adults to conduct surveillance and tobacco education activities

Program Goals

- Increase SWAT membership
- Empower youth through community involvement
- Increase school tobacco prevention activities
- Increase minority participation in prevention activities
- Decrease tobacco availability to youth
- Decrease youth environmental tobacco exposure
- Decrease youth tobacco use



STUDENTS WORKING AGAINST TOBACCO (SWAT)

SWAT is Florida's statewide youth organization working to mobilize, educate and equip Florida youth to revolt against and de-glamorize Big Tobacco. SWAT is a united movement of empowered youth working toward a tobacco free future. Lafayette County SWAT youth meet monthly to accomplish their goals. Tobacco Free Lafayette and SWAT participate in community events, including Pioneer Day, the Latin Health Fair, and church and school events. The students promote smoke free community policy change in the community, observe National Awareness days, collect data, and work with community decision makers to support policy change. SWAT endorses policy changes to: Restrict the sale of candy flavored tobacco products, prohibit or limit tobacco industry advertising, implementation of comprehensive tobacco control model policies in K-12 schools, and creation of tobacco free multi unit dwellings.

TOBACCO CESSATION



QuitLine

1-877-822-6669

FLORIDA QUIT-FOR-LIFE LINE

1-877-U-CAN-NOW

Quitline—services include counseling, self-help materials, and pharmacotherapy. Suwannee River Area Health Education Council offers free group cessation classes. Call toll free (866) 341-2730.

PUBLIC HEALTH PREPAREDNESS

The Lafayette County Health Department shares a Public Health Preparedness Coordinator with Suwannee and Taylor counties. The coordinator serves as the planning and training liaison between the health department and other county emergency response agencies. The coordinator assists the health department in preparing for the possible effects of manmade or naturally occurring disasters, such as hurricanes, influenza pandemics, and bio-terrorism events.

The Public Health Preparedness Coordinator conducts annual reviews of the emergency and contingency plans for the health department and makes revisions, as needed. The coordinator also trains health department staff on critical issues such as the Incident Command System and arranges Weapons of Mass Destruction and Epidemiology trainings.

In addition to training classes, the coordinator regularly conducts training exercises to test the viability of the health department's plans. These training exercises are often "full-scale" and are designed to be as realistic as possible. They require participation by health department staff and the staffs of other emergency response agencies. The goal of these exercises is to give Lafayette County's emergency response agencies the chance to practice and build confidence in their ability to protect the citizens of Lafayette County during a disaster event.

Lafayette County Health Department has two staff serving on the Region 2 Epidemiology Strike Team and one staff serving on the Special Needs Shelter Strike Team. These teams are a part of an overall response system which allows for consistent intra-state support during and emergency. These pre-designed teams have core competencies and have been credentialed through training and experience. The overall mission of these strike teams is to provide disease surveillance, investigation and support during assessment or recovery phase of a disaster or an outbreak. These strike teams are available to serve when any health department in the state of Florida exceeds its capacity to respond. These teams are an important public health resource and may be deployed in any emergency.



PUBLIC HEALTH PREPAREDNESS

The Lafayette County Health Department coordinates with Lafayette County Emergency Management in the area of Special Needs clients. The health department maintains the Special Needs Shelter plan and assists with screening client records to determine medical suitability for shelter entrance.

The largest public health preparedness event of 2009 for the Lafayette County Health Department was H1N1 planning and response activities. The health department formed a modified incident command system to manage the event with the Administrator serving as the Incident Commander. This team spent many hours formulating an H1N1 mass vaccination plan. Team activities included planning; preparing and conducting briefings; conducting coordination meetings with key county, city and community partners; and partnering with the various radio, television and newspaper media outlets available to educate the public on the H1N1 virus and vaccines. The Public Health Preparedness Coordinator and other key staff participated in various health fairs and preparedness activities throughout the county to provide information to residents. The Lafayette County Health Department hired staff to accommodate the additional workload and conducted numerous clinics in the county, including schools and faith-based organizations, as well as day-to-day clinics at the health department.

The Lafayette County Health Department is responsible for managing all health and medical resources within Lafayette County during emergency situations. The health department serves as the Emergency Support Function 8 Health and Medical Services primary agency in Lafayette County. The responsibilities of the ESF 8 agency are outlined in the Lafayette County Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan. The Public Health Preparedness Coordinator represented the Lafayette County Health Department during the 2009 river flooding as the ESF 8 representative. He served as liaison between the Florida Department of Health and multiple county and private agencies including Lafayette County Emergency Management, Lafayette County Sheriff's Office and Advent Christian Village. He coordinated authorization for both Tetanus and Hepatitis A vaccine for first responder agencies and individuals having to work in contaminated water.

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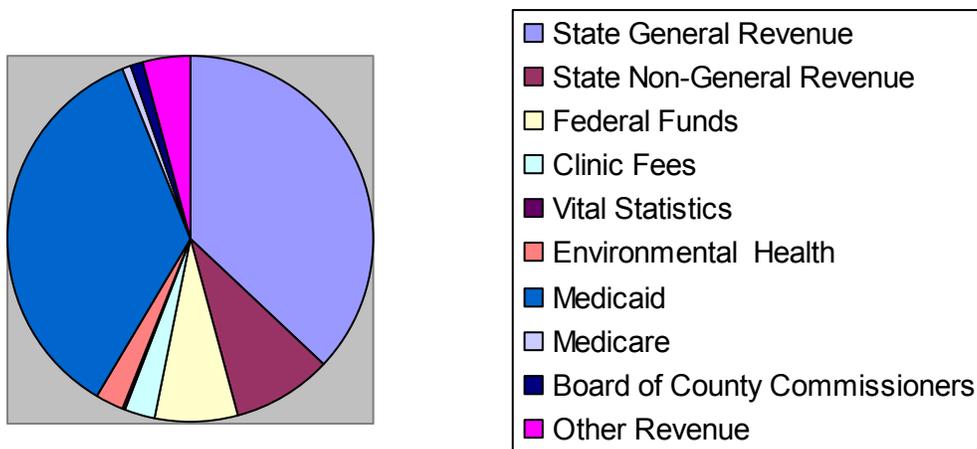
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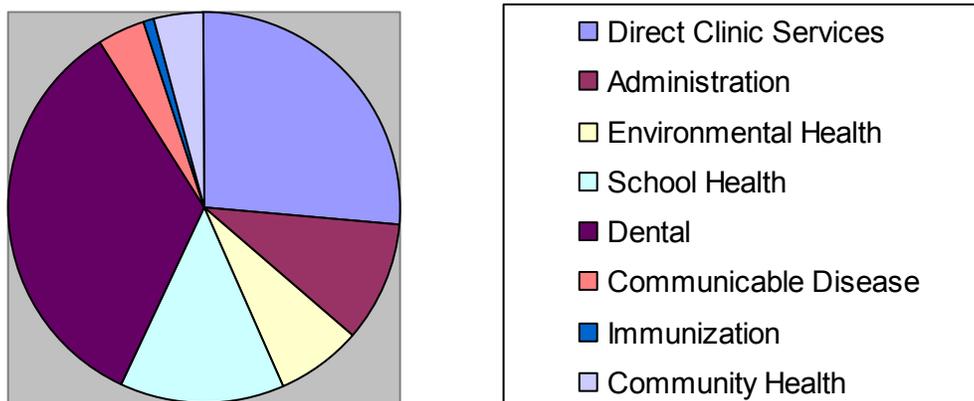
BUDGET AND FINANCE

The annual budget of the Lafayette County Health Department is over \$1.3 million dollars. Revenues that support the county health department include State general revenue, non-general revenue State funds, Federal Grants, Lafayette County Board of County Commissioners, Lafayette County School Board, clinic fees, vital statistics, environmental health fees, Medicaid, Medicare, and third party insurance. The health department revenues support the delivery of the various services and programs including direct medical services, community health, environmental health, immunizations, dental, vital statistics, communicable disease, public health preparedness, school health, and administration.

2008/2009 Fiscal Year Revenue



2008/2009 Fiscal Year Expenditures



BUSINESS OFFICE

VITAL STATISTICS

The Vital Statistics office records resident births and deaths and issues certified copies of Birth and Death Certificates. Birth certificates are available at the Lafayette County Health Department for anyone born in the State of Florida from 1930 to present.

Death certificates are available for deaths that occurred in Lafayette County from 2007 to present. Photo identification is required to receive birth and death certificates. In fiscal year 2009, the Lafayette County Health Department issued 236 birth certificates and 262 death certificates. The Health Department's Vital Statistics office will be much busier in 2010 due to the required changes at the Department of Motor Vehicles.



GENERAL SERVICES

The general services department includes purchasing, contract management, shipping and receiving. When possible, procurements are made from State contracts through a bidding process. All services and commodities are procured per the Department of Health policies and procedures and Florida Statutes.

Some services must be procured using a contract. The contract managers secure these contracts and conduct administrative and programmatic monitoring to ensure that services are rendered per the terms and conditions of the contract.

The health department has a dedicated receiving area for delivery of equipment, office and medical supplies. These deliveries are received by assigned staff.

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FUTURE VISIONS

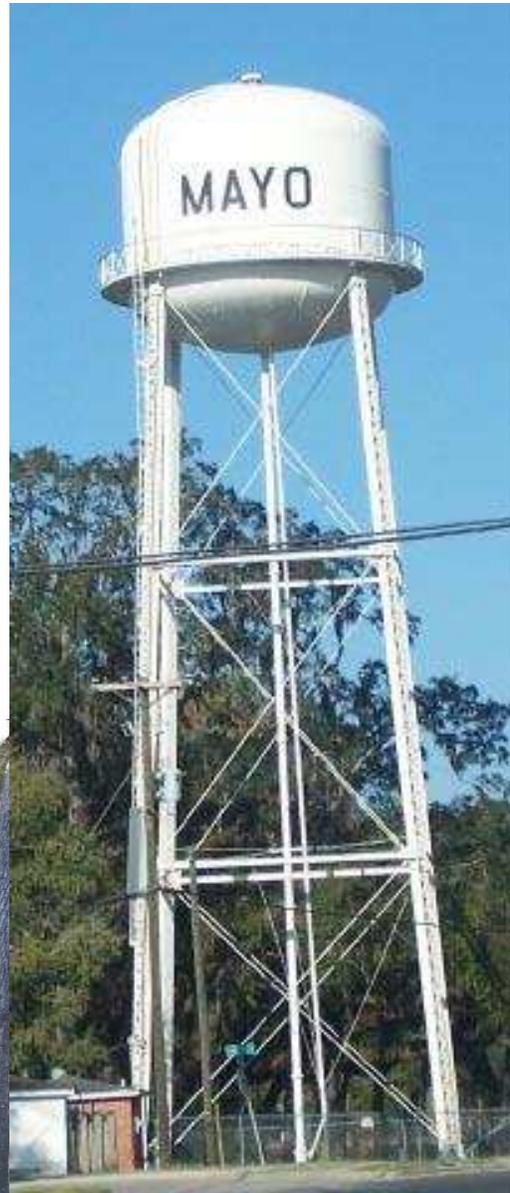
The Lafayette County Health Department envisions an improved economy and healthier community in the years to come. We will continue to use our very scarce resources wisely in order to provide quality services to our residents and visitors. The Lafayette County Health Department will embark on a new project during 2010. We plan to begin a collaborative relationship with community partners to form a health care council that will address community health.

The Health Department plans to serve as the lead agency for this health care council. To facilitate this process, we plan to use the Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnerships (MAPP) strategic planning model. Using the MAPP model will allow us to collaborate with diverse groups to positively impact community health. Although the specific goals, objectives and activities will be developed by the council, we believe that the process will result in a healthier community, better quality of life, increased public knowledge of community health issues, less duplication of services through improved coordination of resources and services, and an improved community bond through community engagement and ownership of health issues.



COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Day Care Centers
Doctor's Memorial
Faith Based Organizations
Lafayette County Board of County Commissioners
Lafayette County Extension Service
Lafayette County Fire
Lafayette County Private Schools
Lafayette County Rescue
Lafayette County School District
Lafayette County Sheriff
Lafayette Health Care
Mayo Correctional Institution
Mayo Free Press
Mayo Health Services
Media
North Florida Pharmacy
Oakridge Assisted Living Facility
Rotary Club
Town Council of Mayo
Thriftway Grocery
Women's Club



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