

Oak Creek Health Department 2018 Annual Report



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Letter from Community Public Health Officer

I am excited to share with you Oak Creek Health Department 2018 Annual Report. Wisconsin State Statutes outline the basic requirements that all local health departments must meet. In addition, the Health Department uses community data and input to identify additional services to provide in order to meet the needs of the Oak Creek community.



In this report, we have highlighted many of our proud accomplishments from 2018 to demonstrate public health in action. In collaboration with community members and community partners, our team works hard every day to prevent disease, promote health, and protect the community. Last year, the Oak Creek Health Department continued to provide services that have proven beneficial to the community, including communicable disease investigation and follow up, the child passenger safety program, and the Stepping On falls prevention program. In addition, we added several new programs in response to community interest and need, including a breastfeeding support program as well as the Wake Up Call room, a substance abuse education resource for parents and caregivers. Additional program data can be found in the appendix.

In 2019, we will work to engage residents in the development of our next Community Health Assessment. Additionally, we anticipate implementing several new services in order to meet the ever-changing needs of the community.

I hope you enjoy our annual report and encourage you to visit our website and follow us on social media for more information about current issues, programs, and new events!

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Darcy DuBois".

Darcy DuBois, MPH

Community Public Health Officer

Mission

The mission of the Oak Creek Health Department is to promote health, prevent disease and injury, and provide a healthy environment for the individual, family and community.



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Communicable Disease

The Health Department is required by Wisconsin State Statute to investigate all suspect, probable, and confirmed cases of many communicable diseases. Communicable disease investigation activities help to prevent and control the spread of disease and protect the health of Oak Creek residents and visitors. In 2018, the Health Department investigated 360 communicable disease, which was an increase over the 317 investigations completed in 2017.

Disease Name	Number of Investigations
Acute Flaccid Myelitis	1
AFB Smear	1
Arboviral Illness, Zika Virus	1
Babesiosis	1
Blastomycosis	5
Campylobacteriosis	6
Carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteriaceae	1
Carbon Monoxide Poisoning	2
Chlamydia Trachomatis Infection	105
E.Coli	3
Giardiasis	2
Gonorrhea	30
Haemophilus Influenzae	1
Hepatitis A	4
Hepatitis B	13
Hepatitis C, chronic	38
Histoplasmosis	1
Influenza-associated Hospitalization	39
Kawasaki Disease	1
Legionellosis	2
Lyme Disease	3
Measles	5
Mumps	9
Mycobacterial Disease (non-Tuberculosis)	7
Pertussis	20
Salmonellosis	5
Shigellosis	2
Strep Invasive Disease/Infection	25
Toxoplasmosis	1
Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathy	1
Tuberculosis	7
Tuberculosis, Latent Infection	14
Varicella	4
Total Communicable Disease Investigations	360
<i>Source: Wisconsin Electronic Disease Surveillance System</i>	

Community Outreach

One of the main goals of local health departments is community outreach and engagement. The Oak Creek Health Department conducts a variety of community outreach efforts and activities in order to engage and meet the needs of the Oak Creek community. See below for some 2018 community outreach highlights.

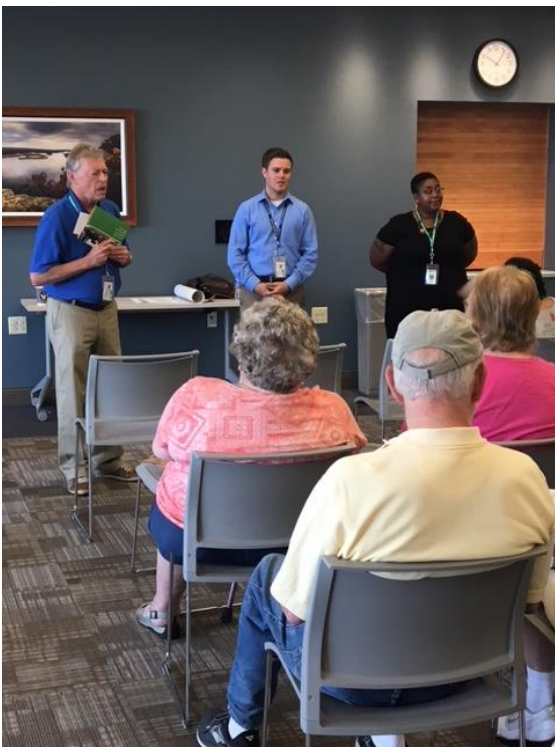


Health Fair

The Health Department has coordinated a health fair annually since 2014. In 2018, fifteen vendors participated in the health fair, offering a wide variety of information and resources as well as health screenings and services. Approximately 200 community members attended the 2018 health fair.

Freedom on Wheels

The Health Department partnered with the Milwaukee County Department on Aging to provide the first annual Freedom on Wheels event in 2018. The event provided seniors with the opportunity to learn how to confidently and safely utilize the Milwaukee County Transit System buses. Approximately 15 participants attended this event.



ON THE TABLE MKE

The Health Department partnered with the YMCA, Serve2Unite, and the Greater Milwaukee Foundation to host an ON THE TABLE MKE event, which focused on building inclusive communities. Participants had the opportunity to view *Waking in Oak Creek*, a documentary on the community and law enforcement response to the Sikh Temple shooting, and participate in roundtable discussions regarding fostering an inclusive Oak Creek community.

Environmental Health

Environmental health is an important component of public health. The Oak Creek Health Department provides a variety of environmental health programming to promote and protect the health of Oak Creek residents and visitors.

Radon Test Kits

The Oak Creek Health Department provides low-cost radon test kits as well as radon education and resources to Oak Creek residents. Radon is a colorless, odorless, naturally-occurring gas that can seep into homes through cracks or holes in the foundation, and long-term exposure to radon can increase the risk of developing lung cancer. Seventy-three radon kits were distributed to Oak Creek residents in 2018. Over 60% of Oak Creek homes tested have had elevated radon levels. The Health Department encourages all residents to test their home for radon.



Food Safety and Recreational Licensing

The Oak Creek Health Department serves as an agent of the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection (DATCP). Through partnership with the Oak Creek Inspections Division, licensing and inspection services for restaurants, pools, and hotels are provided for all Oak Creek food and recreational facilities. See below for 2018 Food Safety and Recreational Licensing data (Wisconsin HealthSpace).

Restaurant Licenses Issued	95
Retail Food Establishment Licenses Issued	46
Pool Licenses Issued	24
Hotel Licenses Issued	13
Inspections Completed	381
Re-inspections Completed	69
Complaints Investigated	43



Maternal and Child Health



In 2018, 391 babies were born to Oak Creek residents (State of Wisconsin Vital Records). The Oak Creek Health Department provides many maternal and child health services to support families with children of all ages. See below for 2018 highlights from several programs.

Breastfeeding Support

In 2018, the Health Department implemented a new breastfeeding support program after one of our public health nurses became a certified lactation consultant. She provides free support to breastfeeding families, both in our clinic and in community members' homes. She worked with 21 families in 2018, providing a total of 32 home visits or in-office consultations.

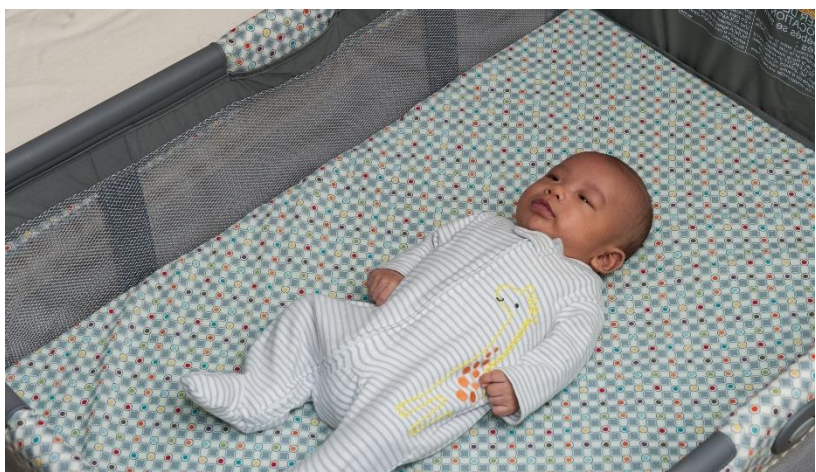
Child Passenger Safety Program

The Health Department has maintained a child passenger safety program since 2015, offering free car seat installations and checks to Oak Creek residents. In addition, the Health Department is able to offer free car seats to some clients who do not have the resources to purchase one. In 2018, Health Department staff provided 115 car seat checks or installations and distributed 16 free car seats.

Safe Sleep

The Health Department began offering a safe sleep program in 2015 to ensure that all Oak Creek families had a safe place for their baby to sleep. Free pack n plays are provided to income eligible families. In 2018, the Health Department distributed seven pack n plays. In 2016, the Health Department began distributing baby boxes in addition to pack n plays.

Baby boxes are available to all Oak Creek residents that complete educational modules online through Baby Box University. In 2018, 55 baby boxes were distributed.



Other Programming

Alcohol and Other Drug Program

Alcohol and other drug (AODA) programming was identified as a priority in the most recent Community Health Improvement Plan, *Healthiest Oak Creek 2014-2019*. The Health Department facilitates an AODA Taskforce, which identifies AODA priorities and activities for the Health Department to focus on. In 2018, the Health Department partnered with a local Boy Scout to create a mobile Wake Up Call room, a mock teen bedroom used to educate parents and caregivers about signs of drug use among teens. The Wake Up Call room was viewed by approximately 150 residents at several 2018 community events, including National Night Out and Back to School Night at the High School.



In partnership with the Board of Health, the Oak Creek Franklin School District, and the Oak Creek Police Department, the Health Department proposed adoption of an amendment to the Oak Creek Municipal Code to prohibit the use of electronic smoking devices in all areas where traditional cigarettes and tobacco products were already prohibited. The Oak Creek Common Council adopted this updated Ordinance in September, 2018, promoting the health, safety, and general welfare of Oak Creek residents and visitors.

Falls Prevention Program

The Health Department has offered Stepping On, an evidence-based falls prevention program for older adults since 2009. The class is typically offered twice annually, in spring and fall, and has been consistently well attended since program inception. In 2018, 22 older adults successfully completed the class, learning about strategies and resources to avoid falling.





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Oak Creek Health Department Data		
<i>Program/Service/Activity</i>	<i>2018</i>	<i>2017</i>
<i>Communicable Disease Activities</i>		
Communicable disease investigations	360	317
Contact investigations	58	12
<i>Clinical Services</i>		
<i>Immunization Program</i>		
Immunizations (non-flu) administered	139	123
Flu immunizations administered	138	174
<i>Lead Case Management</i>		
High blood lead investigations and follow-up	8	6
<i>Other Clinical Services</i>		
TB skin tests administered	161	144
Blood pressure screenings administered	46	59
<i>Maternal and Child Health</i>		
<i>Safe Sleep Program</i>		
Pack n' plays distributed	7	7
Baby boxes distributed	55	15
<i>Child Passenger Safety Program</i>		
Car seat checks completed	115	128
Car seats distributed	16	16
<i>Prenatal Care Coordination</i>		
New clients enrolled	4	4
<i>Breastfeeding Support</i>		
Clients served	21	N/A
<i>Community Health</i>		
Stepping On sessions (8-weeks) completed	2	2
<i>Environmental Health</i>		
<i>General Environmental Health</i>		
General environmental health investigations	37	N/A
<i>Rabies Control Program</i>		
Animal bite investigations	66	54
<i>Sharps Container Collection Site</i>		
Sharps containers collected	348	385
Sharps containers distributed	330	324
<i>Radon Program</i>		
Radon testing kits distributed	131	82
<i>Inspections Data</i>		
Inspections Completed	381	157
Re-inspections Completed	69	19
Complaints Investigated	43	65

Data sources: WEDSS, MedSystems, Stellar, Wisconsin HealthSpace