

Public Health Services

FUNCTION

The functions of the Public Health Services programs are to protect and promote the health and safety of County residents. This is accomplished by monitoring health status and implementing intervention strategies to contain or prevent disease (including bio-terrorism and emerging diseases), fostering public-private partnerships, which increase access to health services, developing, and implementing programs and strategies to address health needs, providing individual and community level health education, evaluating the effectiveness of select programs and strategies, licensing and inspecting facilities, and institutions affecting the public health and safety.

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PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

Health Care for the Uninsured

This program area includes the Montgomery Cares, Care for Kids, Maternity Partnership, and Reproductive Health programs. Through public-private partnerships, these programs provide health care services for low-income uninsured, children, adults, and pregnant women, using private pediatricians, a network of safety net clinics, obstetricians, and hospitals along with other health care providers. This program area also provides care coordination to uninsured children and adolescents with chronic or handicapping conditions needing specialty diagnostic, medical, and surgical treatment, and provides primary health care services for the homeless.

Program Performance Measures	Actual FY09	Actual FY10	Estimated FY11	Target FY12	Target FY13
Percentage of healthy birth weight babies (= or > 2,500 grams) born to pregnant women in the Maternity Partnership Program	94	93	94	94	94
Percentage of uninsured County adults that have a primary care visit at one of the participating Montgomery Cares clinics ¹	21.3	25.7	TBD	TBD	TBD
Percentage of uninsured County children that have a primary care visit at one of the participating Montgomery Cares clinics	34.7	41.4	TBD	TBD	TBD

¹ The Department is not projecting results for FY11-13 for the second and third measures above at this time due to the multiple variables related to health care reform.

FY12 Approved Changes	Expenditures	WYs
FY11 Approved	13,306,210	15.0
Decrease Cost: Maternity Partnership - Due to Decreasing Enrollment	-14,920	0.0
Decrease Cost: Reproductive Health - Family Planning Operating Expenses	-30,000	0.0
Decrease Cost: Care For Kids Program - Contractual Services and Unencumbered Funds, with no Impact to Clients	-80,000	0.0
Decrease Cost: Montgomery Cares Changes - Additional 5,000 Primary Care Visits for a Total of 75,000, Decrease Health Care for the Homeless, Contractual Operating Support, Language Line, and Eliminate RAND Study	-184,800	-1.0
Decrease Cost: Project Deliver Group Position - Due to Underutilization	-373,030	-3.0
Miscellaneous adjustments, including restoration of employee furloughs, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	62,370	0.3
FY12 Approved	12,685,830	11.3

Communicable Disease and Epidemiology

Communicable Disease and Epidemiology is responsible for investigations, management, and control of the spread of over 65 infectious diseases as stipulated by Maryland law, including: rabies; hepatitis A, B, and C; salmonellosis; measles; cholera; legionellosis, and lyme disease. Emerging pathogens, such as H1N1 Influenza, are addressed with aggressive surveillance efforts and collaboration with State agencies of Agriculture, Health, and the Environment. Control measures for disease outbreaks in high-risk populations, such as residents of long-term care facilities, are implemented to prevent further spread of diseases to others. Educational programs are provided to groups who serve persons at-risk for infectious diseases (homeless shelters, nursing homes, day care centers, etc.). The program also provides vital record administration (death certificate issuance, and birth verification) Immunizations, outreach, and education are available to residents, private medical providers, schools, childcare providers, and other

community groups The Refugee Health program screens all persons who enter the County with refugee status for communicable diseases. Refugees are medically assessed and are either treated or referred to the private sector. The Migrant Health Program is also provided in compliance with Federal laws governing migrant laborers.

Program Performance Measures	Actual FY09	Actual FY10	Estimated FY11	Target FY12	Target FY13
Percent of investigations on reportable communicable diseases that follow appropriate protocols to limit further spread of the disease	100	100	100	100	100

FY12 Approved Changes	Expenditures	WYs
FY11 Approved	1,747,380	14.4
Miscellaneous adjustments, including restoration of employee furloughs, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	25,580	1.4
FY12 Approved	1,772,960	15.8

Notes: Miscellaneous adjustments includes the shift of 1.0 workyear from Tuberculosis Services to this program.

Community Health Services

Community Health Services provides preventive health access services to uninsured and underinsured populations, from newborns to the elderly. Services include nurse case management and home visits to targeted populations such as, pregnant women, pregnant and parenting teens, children up to one year of age, and at risk infants. This program includes the Community/Nursing Home Medical Assistance and Outreach program in addition to the regional service eligibility units, to provide a single point of entry for eligibility screening, access and assignment to Federal, State or County health programs. Other services include immunizations and conducting pregnancy testing in regional health centers.

Program Performance Measures	Actual FY09	Actual FY10	Estimated FY11	Target FY12	Target FY13
Percentage of infants at risk (IAR) referrals that received a follow-up visit within 10 days by Community Health Service (CHS) nurse	85	85	85	85	85

FY12 Approved Changes	Expenditures	WYs
FY11 Approved	11,846,270	118.7
Increase Cost: Minority Infant Mortality Reduction Grant	135,000	0.0
Increase Cost: Lead Poisoning Prevention Grant	3,000	0.0
Technical Adj: Shift Positions within the Community Mental Health Grant	0	-0.1
Reduce: Abolish Two Full-time Community Services Aide III Positions	-165,780	-2.0
Miscellaneous adjustments, including restoration of employee furloughs, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	-181,160	3.6
FY12 Approved	11,637,330	120.2

Dental Services

This program provides dental services to promote oral health in six dental clinics. Services include instruction in preventive health practices, primary assessments, targeted dental services, and emergency services. Services are provided to income-eligible Montgomery County children, pregnant women, adults, and seniors. This program also includes an HIV Dental Program, which provides comprehensive oral health services to HIV-infected clients.

Program Performance Measures	Actual FY09	Actual FY10	Estimated FY11	Target FY12	Target FY13
Percentage of children who complete their dental treatment plan	76	95	80	80	80

FY12 Approved Changes	Expenditures	WYs
FY11 Approved	1,918,760	15.4
Reduce: Dental Services - Reduction in Hours for Dental Hygienist Services	-29,180	0.0
Miscellaneous adjustments, including restoration of employee furloughs, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	72,930	0.5
FY12 Approved	1,962,510	15.9

Environmental Health Regulatory Services

This program issues permits for and inspects, a variety of activities to protect the public health by ensuring that sanitation standards are met and maintained, and that there is minimal risk of injuries or spread of vector, food, and water borne diseases in facilities licensed by the program. This program also enforces nutritional restrictions on trans fat in foods. Food service establishments, swimming pools, health-care facilities, group homes, private educational facilities for children and adults, hotels, motels, massage establishments, and a variety of other facilities used by the public, are inspected and licensed. Inspections are conducted for

compliance with health and safety standards established by the County and by State of Maryland laws and regulations. The County's Rat Control Ordinance and smoking prohibitions and restrictions are enforced under this program. Complaints made by the public are investigated and orders for correction are issued as appropriate.

Program Performance Measures	Actual FY09	Actual FY10	Estimated FY11	Target FY12	Target FY13
Percentage of swimming pools found to be in compliance upon regular inspection	NA	89	90	90	90

FY12 Approved Changes	Expenditures	WYs
FY11 Approved	2,862,120	27.2
Miscellaneous adjustments, including restoration of employee furloughs, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	51,650	1.1
FY12 Approved	2,913,770	28.3

Health Care and Group Residential Facilities

This program inspects and licenses nursing homes, domiciliary care homes (large assisted living facilities with less intensive care than nursing homes), adult day care centers, small assisted living facilities and group homes serving children, elderly, mentally ill, and developmentally disabled to ensure compliance with County, State, and Federal laws and regulations. Staff responds to complaints and provides advice and consultations to licensees to maintain high standards of care.

Program Performance Measures	Actual FY09	Actual FY10	Estimated FY11	Target FY12	Target FY13
Percentage of nursing homes with actual harm deficiencies	15	12	12	10	10

FY12 Approved Changes	Expenditures	WYs
FY11 Approved	1,499,440	11.2
Miscellaneous adjustments, including restoration of employee furloughs, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	-1,700	0.4
FY12 Approved	1,497,740	11.6

Health Promotion and Prevention

This program is eliminated for FY12. The operating funds shift to Service Area Administration for limited health promotion activities. The African American Health Initiative continues to serve as a liaison to the faith based communities for outreach programs and activities to help reduce disparities. In addition, a level of health promotion and prevention activities continues through the course of delivering public health programs.

FY12 Approved Changes	Expenditures	WYs
FY11 Approved	186,780	1.9
Eliminate: Childhood Injury Prevention Grant	-3,500	0.0
Miscellaneous adjustments, including restoration of employee furloughs, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	-183,280	-1.9
FY12 Approved	0	0.0

Notes: Miscellaneous adjustments includes the shift of the remainder of this program to this Service Area Administration and School Health Services.

Cancer and Tobacco Prevention

The Tobacco Use Prevention and Cessation Program and the Cancer Prevention, Education, Screening and Treatment Program are two major programs funded through the State Cigarette Restitution Funds. The State funding allows for administering grants to community groups for outreach, screenings, education, and treatment. Each program has established coalitions consisting of public health partners, community based organizations, hospitals, and other existing resources that work collaboratively to implement either tobacco-control programs or the statewide goal of early detection and elimination of cancer disparities, whether based on race, ethnicity, age or sex, as well as the establishment of tobacco-control programs.

FY12 Approved Changes	Expenditures	WYs
FY11 Approved	980,030	3.0
Enhance: Cigarette Restitution Fund Grant	223,850	0.0
Reduce: Tobacco Prevention and Outreach Programs for At-Risk Youth	-27,900	0.0
Miscellaneous adjustments, including restoration of employee furloughs, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	-34,000	0.0
FY12 Approved	1,141,980	3.0

STD/HIV Prevention and Treatment Program

The STD Program provides diagnosis and treatment to those who have contracted sexually transmitted diseases (STDs). Contacts of infected patients are confidentially notified and referred for treatment. HIV counseling and testing is provided, with referral for medical and psychosocial support services if the test is positive. The HIV program provides primary medical care through all stages of HIV/AIDS, medication, as well as a broad spectrum of case management support services. Other services include home/hospice care, coordination of a regional HIV dental clinic, and housing services through the Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS (HOPWA).

Program Performance Measures	Actual FY09	Actual FY10	Estimated FY11	Target FY12	Target FY13
New cases of Chlamydia per 100,000 population among County residents (15-24) ¹	1,052	990.6	NA	NA	NA

¹ Data are for the calendar year in which the fiscal year began. This measure is one of the four age cohort components. Projections are not made due to uncertainty as to when case numbers will fall.

FY12 Approved Changes	Expenditures	WYs
FY11 Approved	6,725,770	40.7
Enhance: Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS Grant	328,440	0.3
Add: AIDS Partner Notification Grant	44,710	0.5
Decrease Cost: HIV Counseling and Testing Grant	-45,710	-0.9
Reduce: Abolish a Full-time Program Manager II Position for Special Projects	-135,540	-1.0
Miscellaneous adjustments, including restoration of employee furloughs, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	87,330	1.4
FY12 Approved	7,005,000	41.0

Notes: Miscellaneous adjustments include workyear increase associated with converting a part-time position to full-time.

School Health Services

This program provides health services to the students in Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS). These services include: first aid and emergency care; health appraisal; medication and treatment administration; health counseling, consultation and education; referral for medical, psychological and behavioral problems; case management for students with acute and chronic health conditions, and pregnant and parenting teens, hearing and vision screenings and Lead Certification screenings are provided to MCPS students. Immunizations and tuberculosis screenings are administered at the School Health Services Center, primarily to international students enrolling in MCPS. Primary health care, provided by nurse practitioners and physicians, is provided to students enrolled at one of the County's five School Based Health Centers or one High School Wellness Center.

Head Start-Health Services is a collaborative effort of HHS, Office of Community Affairs, School Health Services, Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS), and contracted community-based child care centers to provide comprehensive pre-kindergarten services to Federally eligible three and four year old children. School Health Services provides a full range of health, dental, and social services to the children and their families.

Program Performance Measures	Actual FY09	Actual FY10	Estimated FY11	Target FY12	Target FY13
Percentage of students who return to class after and are ready to learn following health room intervention	86	87	86	86	86

FY12 Approved Changes	Expenditures	WYs
FY11 Approved	20,921,760	229.2
Eliminate: Teen Pregnancy Grant	-15,000	0.0
Decrease Cost: Miscellaneous Operating Expenses for the School Based Health Centers	-55,460	0.0
Decrease Cost: Abolish a Full-time Community Health Nurse II Position	-87,900	-1.0
Decrease Cost: Abolish a Full-time School Based Health Center Nurse Manager Position	-102,780	-1.0
Miscellaneous adjustments, including restoration of employee furloughs, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	-702,980	9.7
FY12 Approved	19,957,640	236.9

Notes: Miscellaneous adjustments includes the shift of 1.0 workyear from Womens Health and 1.0 workyear from Health Promotion and Prevention.

Tuberculosis Services

This program includes: testing persons for exposure to Tuberculosis (TB);, treating active cases, identifying persons at risk of developing TB; performing contact studies to determine who may have been exposed to an infectious person, and medication therapy. Each diagnosed patient has a treatment plan developed, and receives supervised medication therapy. Special programs are provided to high-risk populations, such as the homeless, addicted persons, incarcerated persons, and persons living in high-density areas of foreign-born populations.

Program Performance Measures	Actual FY09	Actual FY10	Estimated FY11	Target FY12	Target FY13
Percentage of clients with active infectious tuberculosis who receive and are scheduled to complete Directly Observed Therapy and successfully complete the treatment regimen ¹	88	92	93	93	93

¹ Data are for the calendar year in which the fiscal year began and differs from previously published results due to use of a more accurate denominator.

FY12 Approved Changes	Expenditures	WYs
FY11 Approved	1,838,310	16.9
Technical Adj: Refugee Resettlement Grant	0	1.0
Decrease Cost: Abolish a Part-time Client Assistant Specialist Position	-28,570	-0.5
Miscellaneous adjustments, including restoration of employee furloughs, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	-12,360	-0.4
FY12 Approved	1,797,380	17.0

Notes: Miscellaneous adjustments include the shift of 1.0 workyear to Communicable Disease and Epidemiology.

Women's Health Services

This program provides care coordination services for women and children in the Medical Assistance-managed care program Referral services are provided for individuals with specific health issues (i.e., sexually transmitted diseases). Screening for early detection of breast cancer and cervical cancer including gynecological examinations, clinical breast examinations, mammograms, ultrasounds of the breast and related case-management services are offered through the Women's Cancer Control Program (WCCP) to eligible women aged forty years and older.

FY12 Approved Changes	Expenditures	WYs
FY11 Approved	2,816,440	19.6
Decrease Cost: Abolish a Part-time Community Services Aide III Position	-34,010	-0.5
Miscellaneous adjustments, including restoration of employee furloughs, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	-44,500	-0.7
FY12 Approved	2,737,930	18.4

Notes: Miscellaneous adjustments includes the shift of 1.0 workyear from this program to School Health Services.

Public Health Emergency Preparedness & Response

This program is responsible for the planning, readiness, and response in the event of a public health emergency or bio-terrorism threat. Planning efforts are in collaboration with the County Emergency Management Group, the Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security, the Departments of Fire and Rescue Services, and Police, hospitals and a variety of other County, State, Regional, and Federal agencies. Efforts are targeted at training and staff development; communication strategies; emergency response drills; partnerships; resources and equipment; the establishment of disease surveillance systems; mass immunization clinics and medication dispensing sites, and readiness. This program manages the Advanced Practice Center for public health emergency planning.

Program Performance Measures	Actual FY09	Actual FY10	Estimated FY11	Target FY12	Target FY13
Percentage of PHS Programs with Continuity of Operations (COOP) plans that have been reviewed and updated within the past 12 months	100	100	100	100	100

FY12 Approved Changes	Expenditures	WYs
FY11 Approved	2,052,200	11.0
Miscellaneous adjustments, including restoration of employee furloughs, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	-134,560	-0.8
FY12 Approved	1,917,640	10.2

Notes: Miscellaneous adjustments includes the shift of 1.0 workyear to Community Support Network for People with Disabilities.

Service Area Administration

This program area provides leadership and direction for the administration of Public Health Services. Service Area administration also includes Health Planning and epidemiology, the Community Health Improvement Process and Special Projects, as well as oversight for medical clinical volunteers, the Commission on Health, contract, grant and partnership development.

FY12 Approved Changes	Expenditures	WYs
FY11 Approved	1,429,020	10.3

	Expenditures	WYs
Decrease Cost: Abolish a Full-time Administrative Specialist II Position	-111,160	-1.0
Decrease Cost: Abolish a Full-time Manager III Position - Grants Management	-171,110	-1.0
Miscellaneous adjustments, including restoration of employee furloughs, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	259,660	2.4
FY12 Approved	1,406,410	10.7

Notes: Miscellaneous adjustments include the shift of 1.0 workyear (grant funded) from Health Promotion and Prevention and the shift of a Manager III from Aging and Disability Services, Service Area Administration.

PROGRAM SUMMARY

Program Name	FY11 Approved		FY12 Approved	
	Expenditures	WYs	Expenditures	WYs
Health Care for the Uninsured	13,306,210	15.0	12,685,830	11.3
Communicable Disease and Epidemiology	1,747,380	14.4	1,772,960	15.8
Community Health Services	11,846,270	118.7	11,637,330	120.2
Dental Services	1,918,760	15.4	1,962,510	15.9
Environmental Health Regulatory Services	2,862,120	27.2	2,913,770	28.3
Health Care and Group Residential Facilities	1,499,440	11.2	1,497,740	11.6
Health Promotion and Prevention	186,780	1.9	0	0.0
Cancer and Tobacco Prevention	980,030	3.0	1,141,980	3.0
STD/HIV Prevention and Treatment Program	6,725,770	40.7	7,005,000	41.0
School Health Services	20,921,760	229.2	19,957,640	236.9
Tuberculosis Services	1,838,310	16.9	1,797,380	17.0
Women's Health Services	2,816,440	19.6	2,737,930	18.4
Public Health Emergency Preparedness & Response	2,052,200	11.0	1,917,640	10.2
Service Area Administration	1,429,020	10.3	1,406,410	10.7
Total	70,130,490	534.5	68,434,120	540.3