

LAPORTE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT



2013 ANNUAL REPORT



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MISSION STATEMENT:

To engage and partner in a collaborative and responsive effort with the community and local organizations with respect to the diversity of the community to better serve the present and future generations.

VISION:

“Serving the Public Health Needs of LaPorte County”

LaPorte County Health Department

Office Hours

8:00am-4:00pm

Monday-Friday

Main Office

809 State St Suite 401 A

LaPorte, IN 46350

(219) 326-6808 ext.2200

(219) 325-8628(fax)

Branch Office

302 W. 8th St Suite 4

Michigan City, IN 46360

(219) 874-5611 ext. 7780

(219) 873-3018(fax)

HEALTH DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATION

Sandra Deausy, MD, Health Officer
Tony Mancuso, Administrator
Julie Davies, Administrative Assistant/Office Manager LaPorte Office
Nancy L. Meehan, Office Manager Michigan City Office
Lana Buckles, Environmental Health/Food Supervisor
Jenny Smith, RN, Nursing Supervisor
Julie Fetters, Billing Coordinator
Ann Klute Environmental Planner/Health Educator

HEALTH DEPARTMENT STAFF MEMBERS

Public Health Clerks LaPorte Office

Jayne Staggers, Vital Records Registrar
Michelle Bealor, Public Health Clerk
Tempest Miller, Public Health Clerk
Faith Chapman, Public Health Clerk

Public Health Clerks Michigan City Office

Kristen Joseph, Vital Records Registrar
Linda Fike, Public Health Clerk

Public Health Nurses, LaPorte Office

Carrie Lafountain, RN, Nursing Supervisor Assistant
Katie Griffin, RN, Public Health Nurse
Debra Holtzlander, RN, Public Health Nurse

Public Health Nurses, Michigan City Office

Karen Stringer, RN, Public Health Nurse
Joanne Beckman, RN, Public Health Nurse
Marcia Metzcus, RN, Part-time Public Health Nurse

Environmental Health/Food Specialist

Amanda Lahners, Environmental Health/Food Supervisor Assistant
Patty Nocek, Environmental Health/Food Specialist
Rob Sheffer, Environmental Health/Food Specialist
Julie Cuson, Environmental Health/Food Specialist
Patricia Wozniak, Environmental Health/Food Specialist
Ken Johnston, Environmental Health/Food Specialist/Emergency Preparedness Coordinator
Brian Campbell, Part-time Environmental Health/Food Specialist

Water Laboratory

Cynthia Ebert, Technician

LAPORTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Willie Millsap, President	January 2011-December 2014
David Decker, Vice President	January 2013-December 2016
Dr. Vidya Kora, Member	January 2013-December 2016

LAPORTE COUNTY COUNCIL

Mark Yagelski, President	January 2011-December 2014
Richard Mrozinski	January 2011-December 2014
Matthew Bernacchi	January 2012-December 2015
Earl Cunningham	January 2011-December 2014
Jeffrey Santana	January 2012-December 2015
Terry Garner	January 2011-December 2014
Lois Sosinski	January 2012-December 2015

LAPORTE COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

Michael Sandy, President	January 2011-December 2014
Monique Gillard, Vice President	January 2012-December 2015
Tamara Yagelski	January 2013-December 2016
Aileen Stiller, MD	January 2012-December 2015
Annabelle Juhasz, M.D	January 2013-December 2016
Richard Houck, MD	January 2013-December 2016
Sherry Waters	January 2010-December 2013

LAPORTE COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH ATTORNEY

Michelle Bazin-Johnson

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF 2013

HEALTH BOARD: The LaPorte County Board of Health consists of seven (7) members who serve four-year terms on a staggered basis and are appointed by the LaPorte County Board of Commissioners. The Health Board elects its own officers each year. Michael Sandy served as the President of the Health Board in 2013.

HEALTH OFFICER: The Health Officer serves a four (4) year term in a part-time capacity and is appointed by the Board of Health. Sandra Deausy, M.D. was appointed in September of 2012 to fulfill the vacated Health Officer's position until term end of December 2013.

ADMINISTRATOR: Tony Mancuso serves the county and the residents as the Administrator of the LaPorte County Health Department. Mr. Mancuso has been an advocate in the creation and reform of local Health Department ordinances that address and reflect current issues. Mr. Mancuso has also been effective in the implementation and enforcement of updated department policies. These reforms have been influential in the development of programs and future plans that support the improvement and design of community health initiatives. The role of the Administrator can be challenging at times, making decisions that must be made, even in the midst of adverse public reactions and/or opinions. Ultimately, protecting the health and ensuring the safety of the community is the main focal point in regards to the policy reform enforcement.

STAFF: In 2013, the LaPorte County Health Department operated with a staff of 25 full-time employees, 3 part-time employees, and 4 seasonal interns.

DEPARTMENTS: The Health Department provides various services to the LaPorte County area. The following is a brief description of each division.

VITAL RECORDS: Our Vital Records Division provides efficient and effective service at both office locations. Our staff interprets, implements, and enforces compliance with policies, procedures, and safety regulations through all aspects of Vital Records processing. This division may also be likened to a Public Informatics Branch as the following critical core services are available: the issuance of certified birth and death certificates, establishment of voluntary paternity, amendments and corrections to birth certificates,

genealogical searches for birth and death records dating back to 1882 as well as the processing of on line orders that result in a turnaround time of 24 hours.

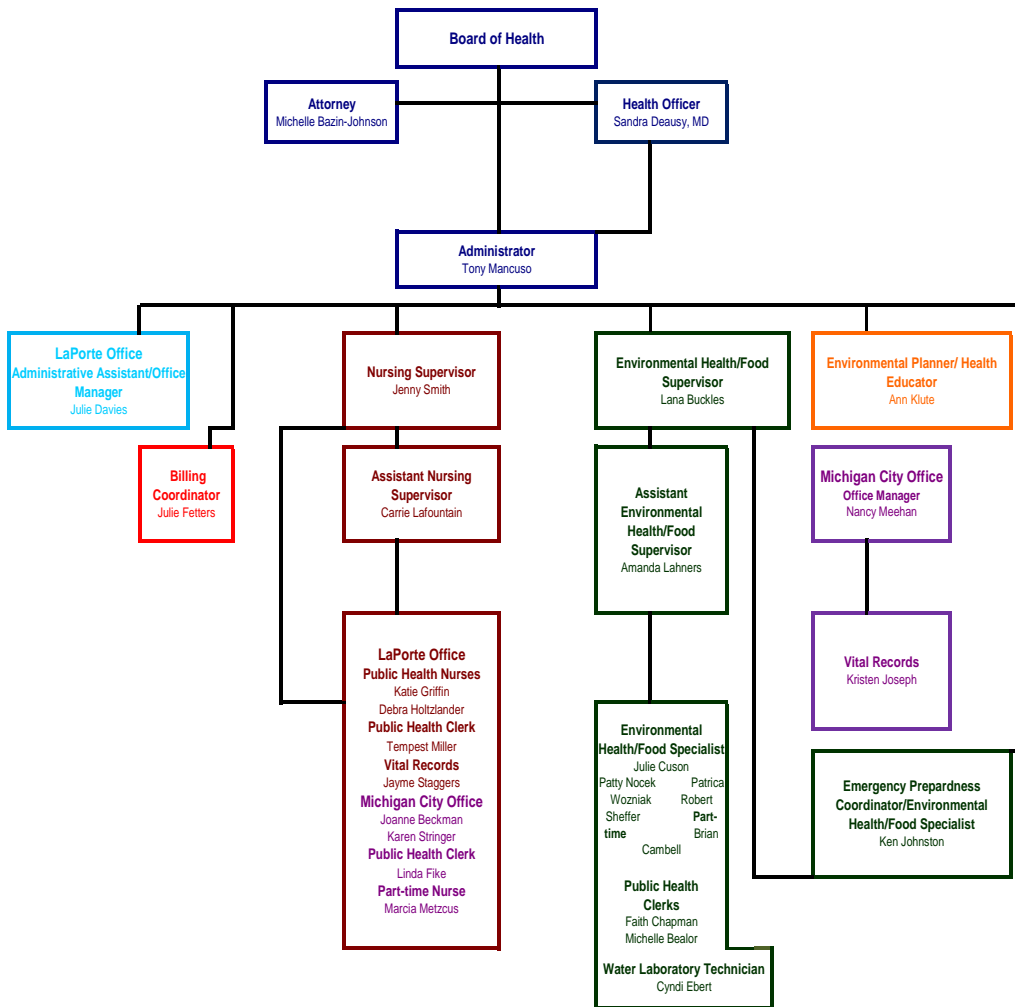
NURSING SERVICES: Located in both offices, this section offers immunizations, communicable disease control and investigation, lead screening, tuberculosis testing and counseling, blood profile screenings, HIV/AIDS testing and counseling, travel immunizations and Sexually Transmitted Disease testing and counseling.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH/FOOD: Located in the La Porte office, this section issues On-site Sewage System permits for new residential construction and for repairs to older septic systems. The section investigates complaints and advises residents on a variety of topics such as substandard housing, rodent/vector/bed bug infestation, open burning, trash and garbage, mold, foodborne outbreaks, radon, meth labs, outdoor wood boilers, childhood lead investigations and unsanitary living conditions. The section also inspects and issues permits for public and semi- public pools and spas, tattoo and piercing establishments and temporary and retail food establishments, and railroad camp cars. Testing is also provided for the certified food safety certification and the registered contractor's exam for septic system installers. Additionally, summer Interns monitor mosquitos and conduct beach sampling.

WATER LABORATORY: Located in the LaPorte office, the water lab tests water samples collected from drinking water sources, surface water sources including area bathing beaches, and public swimming pools, spas, and whirlpools. The following tests are offered on water samples: Total Coliform with E. coli confirmation, E. coli (for surface water), lead, nitrate, nitrite, iron, fluoride, and phosphorus.

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING/HEALTH EDUCATION: The Health Educator provides education on various public health topics through health fairs, LaPorte County Fair, speaking engagements, and collaborative meetings with other agencies. The Educator works with community agencies and partners to share knowledge of social, economic, and cultural factors impacting the health of the community.

Organizational Chart of the "LaPorte County Health Department"



FINANCIAL

GENERAL HEALTH FUND

1159-219

<u>STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>
Property Tax	\$2,684,595.26	\$1,018,738.70
License Excise Tax	\$103,625.77	\$00.00
Permits (Water, Food, Septic, etc.)	\$206,293.50	\$189,964.50
Immunizations	\$2,945.30	\$3,345.25
Birth & Death Certificates	\$94,034.86	\$90,850.50
Misc./Reimbursements/Receipts	\$1,948.25	\$2,014.46
Total Receipts	\$3,093,442.94	\$1,304,913.41

<u>STATEMENT OF PERSONAL SERVICE</u>	<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
Salaries	\$881,734.00	\$790,152.43
OASI Withheld	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
Medicare Withheld	\$12,000.00	\$11,934.34
County Retirement Contribution	\$87,000.00	\$86,610.31
Employee Group Insurance	\$223,000.00	\$223,000.00
Unemployment Compensation	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
Extra Hire/Part-time/seasonal	\$20,500.00	\$20,500.00
Total Personal Services	\$1,276,734.00	\$ 1,184,697.08

<u>SUPPLIES</u>	<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
Office Supplies	\$10,000.00	\$9,317.57
Equipment (Service/Repair)	\$8,000.00	\$6,266.76
Clothing	\$951.00	\$950.50
Microfilm/Photocopy/Claims	\$2,500.00	\$2,359.06
Laboratory Supplies	\$40,184.16	\$38,953.08
Education Supplies	\$6,619.00	\$6,617.90
Environmental Supplies	\$12,025.21	\$11,719.43
Total Supplies:	\$80,279.37	\$76,184.30

SERVICES	APPROPRIATIONS	EXPENDITURES
Professional Services – Health Officer	\$25,500.00	\$25,500.00
Compensation – Health Board	\$3,360.00	\$2,520.00
Professional Healthcare Services	\$35,000.00	\$32,786.30
Postage	\$12,000.00	\$6,651.44
Mileage	\$32,000.00	\$20,104.50
Telephone	\$10,000.00	\$8,786.06
Dues	\$1,000.00	\$871.25
Subscriptions	\$1,000.00	\$985.17
Publishing	\$2,000.00	\$1,806.77
Printing	\$4,000.00	\$2,840.68
Education & Training	\$10,500.00	\$7,550.69
Litigation Expense	\$7,000.00	\$3,005.00
Total Services:	\$143,360.00	\$113,407.86

TOTAL:	APPROPRIATIONS	EXPENDITURES
	\$1,500,373.37	\$1,374,289.24

YEAR END BALANCE: \$126,084.13

LOCAL HEALTH MAINTENANCE FUND (GRANT)

9143-0729

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

Grant from Indiana State Department of Health	\$ 71,647.00
Carryover funds from 2012	\$ 8,222.59
Total Receipts:	\$79,869.59

STATEMENT OF PERSONAL SERVICES APPROPRIATIONS EXPENDITURES

Salaries (Full /Part time)	\$44,748.76	\$44,096.70
OASI Withheld	\$3,000.00	\$2,595.77
Medicare Withheld	\$700.00	\$607.07
County Retirement Contribution	\$3,501.53	\$3,501.53
Employee Group Insurance	\$11,620.40	\$11,620.40
Total Personal Services:	\$63,570.69	\$62,421.47

SUPPLIES/SERVICES APPROPRIATIONS EXPENDITURES

Claims	\$3,619.50	\$1,486.18
Technical software	\$12,679.40	\$8,126.81
Total Supplies:	\$16,298.90	\$9,612.99

TOTAL:	APPROPRIATIONS	EXPENDITURES
	\$79,869.59	\$72,034.46

YEAR-END BALANCE: \$7,835.13

INDIANA LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT TRUST ACCOUNT (GRANT) 1206-0723

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

Grant from Indiana State Department of Health	\$45,758.95
Carryover funds from 2012	\$31,147.39
Total receipts:	\$76,906.34

<u>Services/ Supplies</u>	<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
Part-Time Employee	\$35,370.58	\$20,545.00
Oasi	\$1,975.08	\$1,273.81
Medicare Withheld	\$764.77	\$297.92
Claims	\$38,795.91	\$28,352.58
Total Supplies/ Personal Services:	\$76,906.34	\$50,469.31

Total:	APPROPRIATIONS	EXPENDITURES
	\$76,906.34	\$50,469.31

YEAR-END BALANCE: \$26,437.03

BEACH ACT (GRANT) 9147-0789

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

Grant Money from Indiana Department of Environmental Management	\$13,039.70
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<u>STATEMENT OF PERSONAL SERVICES</u>	<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
Salaries	\$4,420.44	\$4,420.44
OASI Withheld	\$345.66	\$345.66
Medicare Withheld	\$80.85	\$80.85
Total Personal Services	\$4,846.95	\$4,846.95

SUPPLIES/SERVICES/OTHER

Claims	\$8,192.75	\$2,098.10
Total	\$8,192.75	\$2,098.10

TOTAL:	APPROPRIATIONS	EXPENDITURES
	\$13,039.70	\$6,945.05

YEAR-END BALANCE: \$6,094.65

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE FUND (Non-Reverting) 2704-0526

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS APPROPRIATIONS EXPENDITURES

TOTAL:	\$100,525.88	\$56,413.00
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YEAR-END BALANCE: \$44,112.88

SERVE-SAFE (Non-Reverting) 2705-0526

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS APPROPRIATIONS EXPENDITURES

Total	\$3,724.05	\$1,777.50
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YEAR-END BALANCE: \$1,946.55

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH FUND 9919-519

<u>STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS & EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>
Carryover	\$58,873.67	\$58,873.67
Receipts	0.00	0.00
Expenditures	0.00	\$587.10
YEAR-END BALANCE	\$58,873.67	\$58,286.57

**REPORT OF COLLECTIONS FOR MICHIGAN CITY OFFICE
FOR 2013**

	General Fund						Non-Reverting Funds				
	CORONER'S FUND	FOOD, OSS, TATTOO, WELL POOLS, RAILROAD PERMITS & WATER LAB	BIRTH DEATH CERTS	IMMUNIZATIONS	MISC	MEDICAID FUND	TOTAL	COMMUNICABLE DISEASE	SERVS SAFE FUND	STD FUND	TOTAL
	7106-03391-000-0339	1159-02194-000-0219	1159-02195-000-0219	1159-02196-000-0219	1159-01065-000-0219	1159-02251-000-0219		2704-0261-000-0526	2705-01065-000-0356	2704-0261-000-0526	
JAN	\$ 784.00	\$ 3,396.00	\$ 4,661.00	\$ 144.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 688.00	\$ 9,758.00	\$ 3,810.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,810.00
FEB	\$ 486.50	\$ 885.00	\$ 3,588.50	\$ 60.00	\$ 99.00	\$ 1,824.00	\$ 6,943.00	\$ 3,665.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,665.00
MARCH	\$ 777.00	\$ 1,915.00	\$ 5,034.00	\$ 81.00	\$ 102.00	\$ 136.00	\$ 8,045.00	\$ 3,195.00	\$ -	\$ 60.00	\$ 3,255.00
APRIL	\$ 661.50	\$ 1,610.00	\$ 4,556.50	\$ 60.00	\$ 99.00	\$ -	\$ 6,987.00	\$ 2,980.00	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ 3,180.00
MAY	\$ 703.50	\$ 2,092.00	\$ 4,274.50	\$ 43.00	\$ 28.00	\$ -	\$ 7,141.00	\$ 3,820.00		\$ 60.00	\$ 3,880.00
JUNE	\$ 747.25	\$ 1,630.00	\$ 4,515.75	\$ 53.00	\$ 43.00	\$ -	\$ 6,989.00	\$ 3,027.00	\$ -	\$ 160.00	\$ 3,187.00
JULY	\$ 1,650.00	\$ 2,170.00	\$ 3,396.00	\$ 61.00	\$ 57.00	-	\$ 7,334.00	\$ 2,905.00		\$ 80.00	\$ 2,985.00
AUGUST	\$ 1,023.75	\$ 2,050.00	\$ 3,651.25	\$ 171.00	\$ 97.00	-	\$ 6,993.00	\$ 3,035.00	-	\$ 340.00	\$ 3,375.00
SEPT	\$ 1,316.25	\$ 990.00	\$ 3,173.75	\$ 136.00	\$ 15.00	\$ -	\$ 5,631.00	\$ 3,128.00		\$ 140.00	\$ 3,268.00
OCT	\$ 1,556.25	\$ 1,595.00	\$ 3,604.75	\$ 176.00	\$ 24.00	\$ -	\$ 6,956.00	\$ 4,495.00	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ 4,695.00
NOV	\$ 731.25	\$ 4,197.00	\$ 2,258.75	\$ 83.00	\$ 60.00	\$ -	\$ 7,330.00	\$ 2,967.00	\$ -	\$ 140.00	\$ 3,107.00
DEC	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 8,437.00	\$ 2,650.00	\$ 44.00	\$ 16.00	\$ -	\$ 12,347.00	\$ 1,695.00	\$ -	\$ 60.00	\$ 1,755.00
TOTAL	\$ 11,637.25	\$ 30,967.00	\$ 45,364.75	\$ 1,112.00	\$ 725.00	\$ 2,648.00	\$ 92,454.00	\$ 38,722.00	\$ -	\$ 1,440.00	\$ 40,162.00

Total of General Fund: \$ 80,816.75 (This figure excludes Coroner's & Non-Reverting Fund)

**REPORT OF COLLECTIONS FOR LAPORTE OFFICE
FOR 2013**

General Fund								Non-Reverting Funds			
	CORONER'S FUND	FOOD OSS TATTOO, WELL POOL RAILROAD PERMITS & WATER	BIRTH DEATH CERTS	IMMUNIZATIONS	MISC	MEDICAID FUND	TOTAL	COMMUNICABLE DISEASE	SERVS SAFE FUND	STD FUND	TOTAL
	7106-03391-000-0339	1159-02194-000-0219	1159-02195-000-0219	1159-02196-000-0219	1159-01065-000-0219	1159-02251-000-0219		2704-0261-000-0526	2705-01065-000-0356	2704-0261-000-0526	
JAN	\$ 953.75	\$ 10,973.00	\$ 4,414.25	\$ 72.00	\$ 113.60	\$ -	\$ 16,526.60	\$ 3,705.00	\$ 520.00		\$ 4,225.00
FEB	\$ 486.50	\$ 4,312.00	\$ 2,978.50	\$ 80.00	\$ 59.00	\$ -	\$ 7,916.00	\$ 4,075.00	\$ 320.00		\$ 4,395.00
MARCH	\$ 593.25	\$ 5,262.00	\$ 3,662.75	\$ 68.00	\$ 71.90	\$ -	\$ 9,657.90	\$ 3,295.00	\$ 120.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 3,515.00
APRIL	\$ 654.50	\$ 5,768.00	\$ 3,634.50	\$ 115.00	\$ 67.00	\$ -	\$ 10,239.00	\$ 2,215.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 140.00	\$ 2,555.00
MAY	\$ 724.50	\$ 13,395.00	\$ 3,406.50	\$ 24.00	\$ 49.00	\$ 72.00	\$ 17,671.00	\$ 2,330.00	\$ 120.00	\$ 120.00	\$ 2,570.00
JUNE	\$ 582.75	\$ 13,790.00	\$ 3,397.25	\$ 76.00	\$ 51.00	\$ 1,088.00	\$ 18,985.00	\$ 4,478.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 4,598.00
JULY	\$ 1,481.25	\$ 20,207.50	\$ 2,910.75	\$ 275.00	\$ 163.75	\$ 1,084.00	\$ 26,122.25	\$ 3,775.00	\$ 160.00	\$ 220.00	\$ 4,155.00
AUGUST	\$ 1,522.50	\$ 12,349.00	\$ 3,215.50	\$ 99.00	\$ 177.00	\$ 680.00	\$ 18,043.00	\$ 2,985.00	\$ 160.00	\$ 180.00	\$ 3,325.00
SEPT	\$ 1,680.00	\$ 8,600.00	\$ 2,969.00	\$ 73.00	\$ 142.00	\$ 1,078.88	\$ 14,542.88	\$ 3,510.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 3,810.00
OCT	\$ 1,361.25	\$ 20,006.00	\$ 2,555.75	\$ 147.00	\$ 91.00	\$ 592.00	\$ 24,753.00	\$ 4,477.73	\$ 40.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 4,817.73
NOV	\$ 1,301.25	\$ 19,670.00	\$ 2,411.75	\$ 492.50	\$ 97.00	\$ 594.00	\$ 24,566.50	\$ 3,400.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 3,800.00
DEC	\$ 1,458.75	\$ 29,804.00	\$ 2,492.25	\$ 62.00	\$ 93.00	\$ 566.88	\$ 34,476.88	\$ 3,465.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 105.00	\$ 3,610.00
TOTAL	\$ 12,800.25	\$ 164,136.50	\$ 38,048.75	\$ 1,583.50	\$ 1,175.25	\$ 5,755.76	\$ 223,500.01	\$ 41,710.73	\$ 2,120.00	\$ 1,545.00	\$ 45,375.73

Total of General Fund: \$ 210,699.76 (This figure excludes Coroner's & Non-Reverting Fund)

**REPORT OF COLLECTIONS FOR LAPORTE and MICHIGAN CITY OFFICES (COMBINED)
FOR 2013**

	General Fund						Non-Reverting Funds				
	<i>CORONER'S FUND</i>	<i>FOOD, OSS, TATTOO, WELL, POOLS, RAILROAD PERMITS & WATER LAB</i>	<i>BIRTH DEATH CERTS</i>	<i>IMMUNIZATIONS</i>	<i>MISC</i>	<i>MEDICAID FUND</i>	TOTAL	<i>COMMUNICABLE DISEASE</i>	<i>SERVS SAFE FUND</i>	<i>STD FUND</i>	TOTAL
	<i>7106-03391-000-0339</i>	<i>1159-02194-000-0219</i>	<i>1159-02195-000-0219</i>	<i>1159-02196-000-0219</i>	<i>1159-01065-000-0219</i>	<i>1159-02251-000-0219</i>		<i>2704-0261-000-0526</i>	<i>2705-01065-000-0356</i>	<i>2704-0261-000-0526</i>	
JAN	\$ 1,737.75	\$ 14,369.00	\$ 9,075.25	\$ 216.00	\$ 198.60	\$ 688.00	\$ 26,284.60	\$ 7,515.00	\$ 520.00	\$ -	\$ 8,035.00
FEB	\$ 973.00	\$ 5,197.00	\$ 6,567.00	\$ 140.00	\$ 158.00	\$ 1,824.00	\$ 14,859.00	\$ 7,740.00	\$ 320.00	\$ -	\$ 8,060.00
MARCH	\$ 1,370.25	\$ 7,177.00	\$ 8,696.75	\$ 149.00	\$ 173.90	\$ 136.00	\$ 17,702.90	\$ 6,490.00	\$ 120.00	\$ 160.00	\$ 6,770.00
APRIL	\$ 1,316.00	\$ 7,378.00	\$ 8,191.00	\$ 175.00	\$ 166.00	\$ -	\$ 17,226.00	\$ 5,195.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 340.00	\$ 5,735.00
MAY	\$ 1,428.00	\$ 15,487.00	\$ 7,681.00	\$ 67.00	\$ 77.00	\$ 72.00	\$ 24,812.00	\$ 6,150.00	\$ 120.00	\$ 180.00	\$ 6,450.00
JUNE	\$ 1,330.00	\$ 15,420.00	\$ 7,913.00	\$ 129.00	\$ 94.00	\$ 1,088.00	\$ 25,974.00	\$ 7,505.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 240.00	\$ 7,785.00
JULY	\$ 3,131.25	\$ 22,377.50	\$ 6,306.75	\$ 336.00	\$ 220.75	\$ 1,084.00	\$ 33,456.25	\$ 6,680.00	\$ 160.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 7,140.00
AUGUST	\$ 2,546.25	\$ 14,399.00	\$ 6,866.75	\$ 270.00	\$ 274.00	\$ 680.00	\$ 25,036.00	\$ 6,020.00	\$ 160.00	\$ 520.00	\$ 6,700.00
SEPT	\$ 2,996.25	\$ 9,590.00	\$ 6,142.75	\$ 209.00	\$ 157.00	\$ 1,078.88	\$ 20,173.88	\$ 6,638.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 240.00	\$ 7,078.00
OCT	\$ 2,917.50	\$ 21,601.00	\$ 6,160.50	\$ 323.00	\$ 115.00	\$ 592.00	\$ 31,709.00	\$ 8,972.73	\$ 40.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 9,512.73
NOV	\$ 2,032.50	\$ 23,867.00	\$ 4,670.50	\$ 575.50	\$ 157.00	\$ 594.00	\$ 31,896.50	\$ 6,367.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 340.00	\$ 6,907.00
DEC	\$ 2,658.75	\$ 38,241.00	\$ 5,142.25	\$ 106.00	\$ 109.00	\$ 566.88	\$ 46,823.88	\$ 5,160.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 165.00	\$ 5,365.00
TOTAL	\$ 24,437.50	\$ 195,103.50	\$ 83,413.50	\$ 2,695.50	\$ 1,900.25	\$ 8,403.76	\$ 315,954.01	\$ 80,432.73	\$ 2,120.00	\$ 2,985.00	\$ 85,537.73

Total of General Fund: \$ 291,516.51 (This figure excludes Coroner's & Non-Reverting Fund)

VITAL RECORDS

2013 was a productive year within the statistics division of the Vital Records Department. The statistics division collects and disseminates vital records data, conducts research and produces reports which help guide health policy issues affecting the communities within the county. Communicating health information to the public in a user-friendly and cost effective format is one of the Department's goals. Our annual report provides information on a range of measures including births, teenage pregnancies and deaths. We have the capability to further break out enhanced statistics and data in real time, which provides a means for guidance of assignment of available resources. The data further allows evidence-based policy and program decisions and evaluations of health outcomes and services.

The Vital Records Division has been working diligently to better serve our community in new and improved ways. The staff has demonstrated to the public who they serve and that they are capable of making major contributions to improving the health of the people they serve in an efficient, effective and transparent way.

Health statistics and data are an essential utilization tool as they measure and provide a wide range of health indicators for a community. Some information is collected in more than one survey and estimates among the same statistics may vary among surveys. It is important that we raise awareness and involve public health partners in quality data improvement, as public health is much more than what transpires within the Health Department. Collected local data that is analyzed can provide a general scope of population needs, which can be targeted for different programs resulting in prevention and control of risk behaviors and diseases affecting our local community.

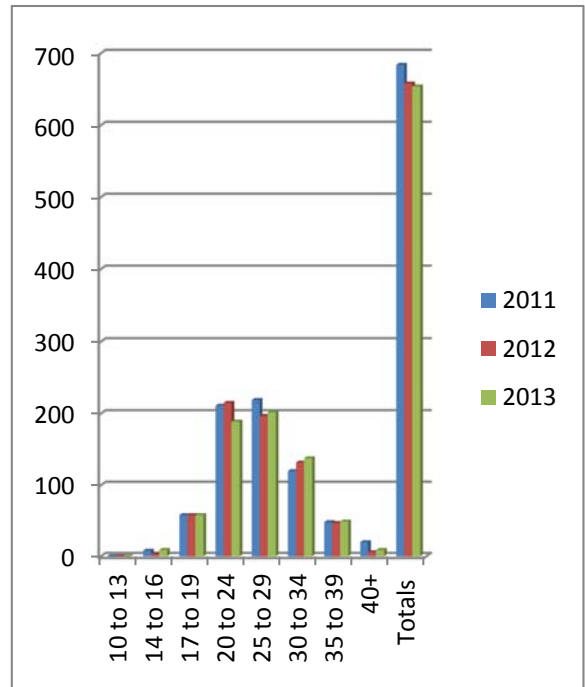
Goals

- Cooperate and participate with other professional groups and organizations in advancing public health through improved procedures and technology in the field of vital statistics.

- Assist, encourage and foster development and technical proficiency of all personnel working within the Vital Records Division.
- Apply ethical principles to the collection, maintenance, use and dissemination of data and information to ensure that data is not compromised.

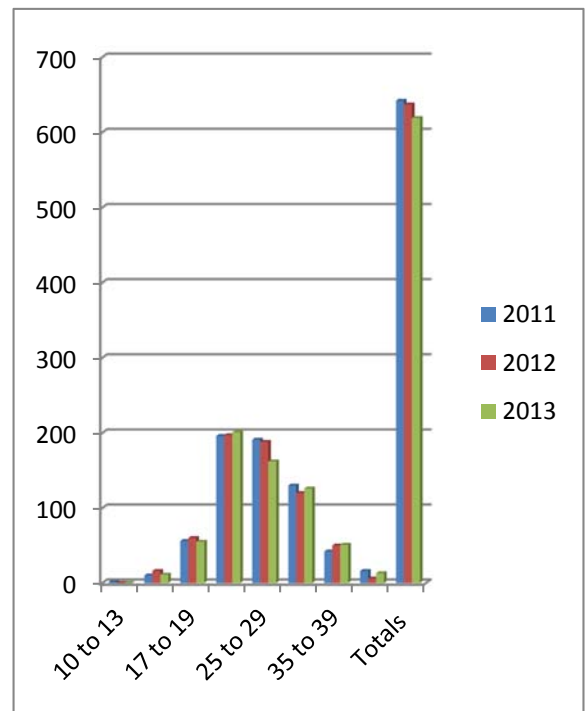
**Deliveries By Maternal Age
IU-LaPorte Hospital**

Age Groups	2011	2012	2013
10 to 13	0	0	0
14 to 16	8	3	9
17 to 19	58	58	58
20 to 24	211	215	189
25 to 29	219	197	202
30 to 34	120	132	138
35 to 39	48	47	49
40+	20	6	9
Totals	684	658	654



**Deliveries by Maternal Age
St. Anthony Memorial Hospital**

Age Groups	2011	2012	2013
10 to 13	1	0	0
14 to 16	10	16	11
17 to 19	56	60	55
20 to 24	196	197	201
25 to 29	191	188	162
30 to 34	130	120	126
35 to 39	42	50	51
40+	16	6	13
Totals	642	637	619



2013 LaPorte County Births

IU Health LaPorte Hospital		St. Anthony Memorial Hospital	
Males	317	Males	302
Females	337	Females	317
Total Births	654	Total Births	619

Combined Births For 2013

1,273

IU Health LaPorte Hospital Births

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>
Male	352	336	317
Female	332	322	337
Total Births	684	658	654

St. Anthony Memorial Hospital Births

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>
Male	335	312	302
Female	307	325	317
Total Births	642	637	619

Total Number of County Births

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>
Male	687	648	619
Female	639	647	654
Total Births	1,326	1,295	1,273

2013 Annual Birth & Death Certificates Issued

Michigan City & LaPorte Office Break Outs

	<u>MC Birth</u>	<u>LP Birth</u>	<u>MC Death</u>	<u>LP Death</u>
January	301	188	448	546
February	275	193	278	278
March	357	245	444	339
April	338	212	378	374
May	287	150	402	414
June	293	211	427	333
July	251	208	440	395
August	375	243	273	406
September	246	191	351	448
October	267	176	415	363
November	218	161	195	347
December	<u>194</u>	<u>151</u>	<u>320</u>	<u>389</u>
Totals	3,402	2,329	4,371	4,632

NURSING SERVICES

The nursing staff strives to deliver quality health care that reflects the mission of public health. We rely on our community partners to assist in addressing the public health issues in our community. Once again, we had a productive year at the La Porte County Health Department. The activities highlighted within this 2013 Nursing Annual Report demonstrate our commitment to our clients and the community. No matter what role in nursing we play, we are striving to build a culture that facilitates and encourages quality public health care for the clients in our community.

The Nursing Supervisor is a member of the Child Fatality Team of LaPorte County, Purdue University North Central Department of Nursing Advisory Board, Neonatal Task Force, and the Head Start Advisory Board.

The Nursing Department is comprised of a nursing supervisor, five full-time nurses, and one part-time nurse.

Goals

The Nursing Department goals in 2013 were focused on enhancing community partnerships and the delivery of public health services in our community. We accomplished that by partnering with many medical, educational, and public service agencies to enhance the delivery of health care services. In 2014 we will strive to strengthen our partnerships around local health issues and national reforms. We will also strengthen our programs to do our best to facilitate our community's health.

Immunization Services

The LaPorte County Health Department strives to increase immunization rates and prevent vaccine preventable disease by providing quality vaccination services and minimizing barriers to immunization. In addition to providing general childhood and adult immunizations, the department promotes targeted immunizations to high risk individuals including international travelers. Immunizations are offered by appointment between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 3:15 p.m. each Monday in our main office in LaPorte and each Tuesday from 8:30 a.m. and 3:15 p.m. in our branch office in Michigan City.

Childhood Immunizations

The LaPorte County Health Department administers immunizations in accordance with recommendations of the Advisory Committee for Immunization Practices (ACIP) of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The staff regularly participates in continuing education offered by the Indiana State Department of Health, The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and vaccine manufacturers.

The LaPorte County Health Department participates in the Vaccine for Children program (VFC). This program is a federally funded program that provides vaccines for eligible children at no cost.

The federal government covers the costs of the vaccines. The VFC program was created by the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (OBRA) of 1993 and began October 11, 1994. This program removes barriers of obtaining needed immunizations. The LaPorte County Health Department is also a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC). This is a delegation of authority that authorizes the department to administer VFC vaccines at no charge to underinsured children up through the age of 18.

Children from birth through the age of 18 may receive vaccines through the VFC program if they fall into at least one of the following categories:

- Medicaid Eligible
- Uninsured
- American Indian or Alaskan Native
- Underinsured (have health insurance that does not cover vaccines)

The following vaccines for children are available through the LaPorte County Health Department:

- DTAP (Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis)
- DT (Diphtheria, Tetanus)
- Hib (Haemophilus Influenza B)
- Tdap (Adolescent Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis)
- Meningococcal Conjugate
- IPV (Polio)
- MMR (Measles, Mumps, Rubella)
- Td (Tetanus, Diphtheria)
- Pneumococcal
- Gardasil (Human Papillomavirus)
- Hepatitis A
- Hepatitis B
- Varicella
- Rotavirus
- Influenza

The following adult vaccines are available through the LaPorte County Health Department

- Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Pertussis)
- Hepatitis A vaccine
- Gardasil (HPV)
- Zostavax (Shingles)
- Varicella
- MMR (Measles, Mumps, Rubella)
- Hepatitis B vaccine
- Influenza
- Polio

International Travel

The LaPorte County Health Department is a designated Yellow Fever vaccination clinic. People traveling outside of the United States receive consultation regarding recommended and required vaccines after a review of the client's itinerary, health history, and immunization history by the international travel program coordinator. Recommendations are made based on current information published by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Current outbreaks and travel advisories are taken into consideration during the consultation. Although Malaria prophylaxis medication is not available through the health department, travelers are given the recommendations for prophylaxis and instructed to consult with their physician.

The following vaccines are available to travelers:

- Yellow Fever
- MMR (Measles, Mumps, Rubella)
- Typhoid
- Tdap
- Hepatitis A
- Polio
- Hepatitis B

❖ 134 clients received 241 immunizations for international travel in 2013.

There were 4,179 patient visits and 6,966 immunizations provided during 2013.

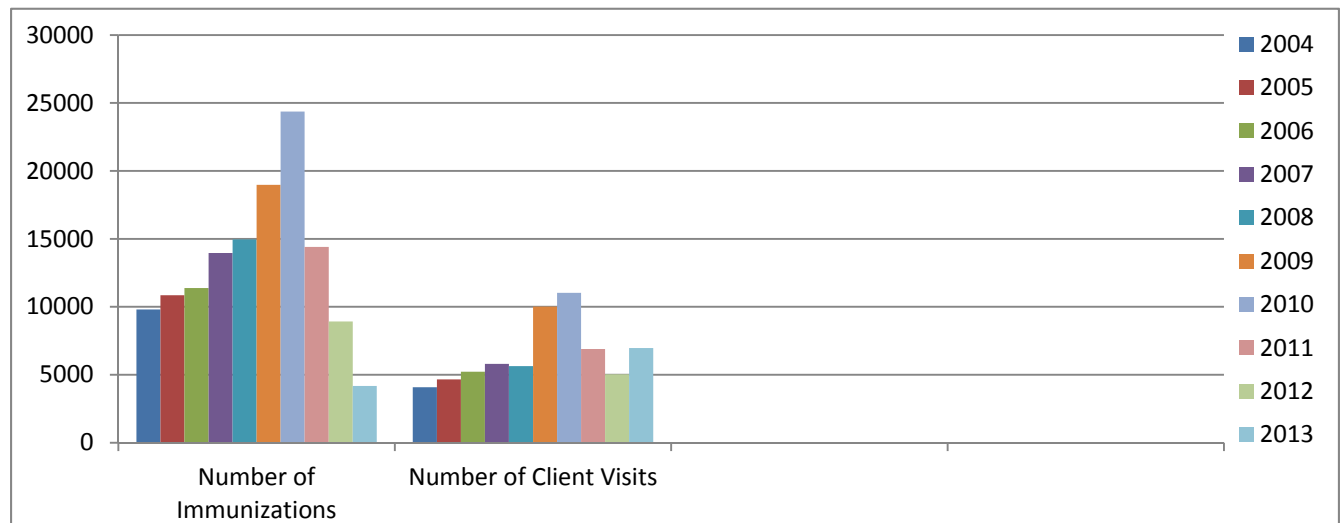
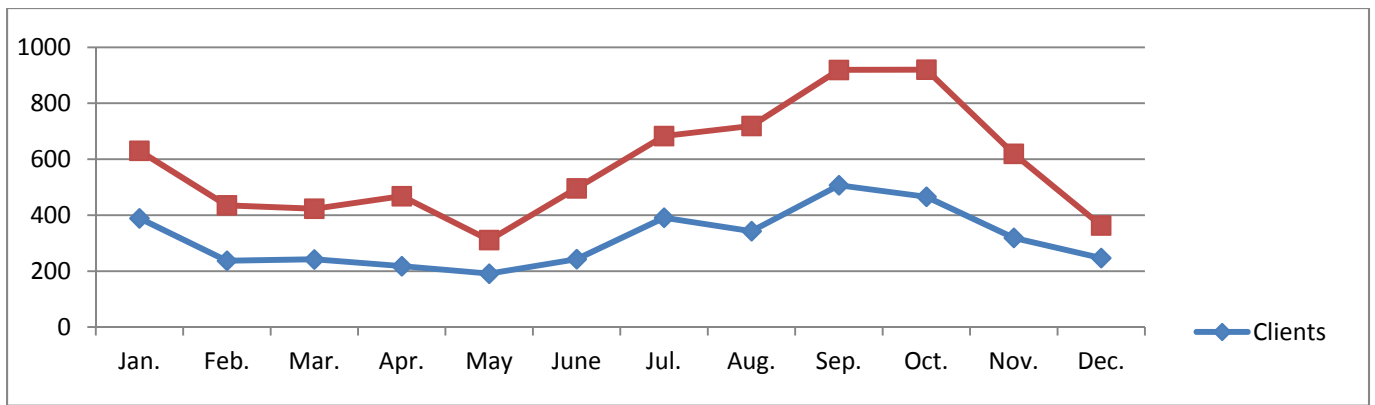


Figure 1: Number of vaccines and patient visits per year (Visits include childhood immunizations, adult immunizations, adult flu clinics, and travel immunizations.)



Number of clients and immunizations by month 2013

Communicable Disease

The Communicable Disease Reporting Rule for Physicians, Hospitals, and Laboratories under Indiana Code 16-41-2-1 allows the Indiana State Department of Health to establish reporting, monitoring, and preventive procedures for communicable diseases. Upon receiving a communicable disease report, local health officers must investigate the reported disease with a specified time frame outlined in section 47 of the rule. The local health department in the jurisdiction where the patient resides is responsible for the epidemiological investigation and control measures for each communicable disease reported to our department.

Diseases that are reportable under the rule meet one or more of the following criteria:

- ❖ Nationally reportable disease
- ❖ Vaccine preventable disease
- ❖ Emerging infectious disease
- ❖ Significant organism with emerging drug resistance
- ❖ Disease with high bioterrorism potential
- ❖ Disease that requires a public health response

Below is a list of diseases that were directly reported to the LaPorte County Health Department in 2013. **

Campylobacteriosis	38	Chlamydia	235
Cryptosporidiosis	7	Escherichia Coli	3
Gonorrhea	88	Hepatitis, Viral, Type A	1
Hepatitis, Viral, Type B (Acute)	1	Hepatitis, Viral, Type B (Chronic)	3
Giardiasis	7	Measles	0*
Hepatitis, Viral, Type B (Perinatal)	0	Hepatitis, Viral, Type C (Acute)	5
Hepatitis, Viral, Type C (Chronic)	34	Legionellosis	3
Hepatitis C (Unable to Determine)	95	Lyme Disease	28
Listeriosis	0	Mumps	1* probable
Meningococcal – Invasive	1	Salmonellosis	11
Pertussis	7*	Shigellosis	1
Varicella	2	Streptococcus, Group B, Invasive	11
Streptococcus, Group A, Invasive	1	Syphilis	8
Streptococcus Pneumonia, Invasive	10	Toxic Shock Syndrome	0
West Nile Virus	1	Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever	0
Animal Bites	115	Haemophilus Influenzae	4*
Yersiniosis	1	Dengue Fever	1
Histoplasmosis	3	Referred for Rabies Prophylaxis (bat bites)	8
Q Fever	1		

**** Note: Some physicians and laboratories report directly to the Indiana State Department of Health. Therefore, the above data may represent lower numbers than the actual occurrence of these diseases in the county.**

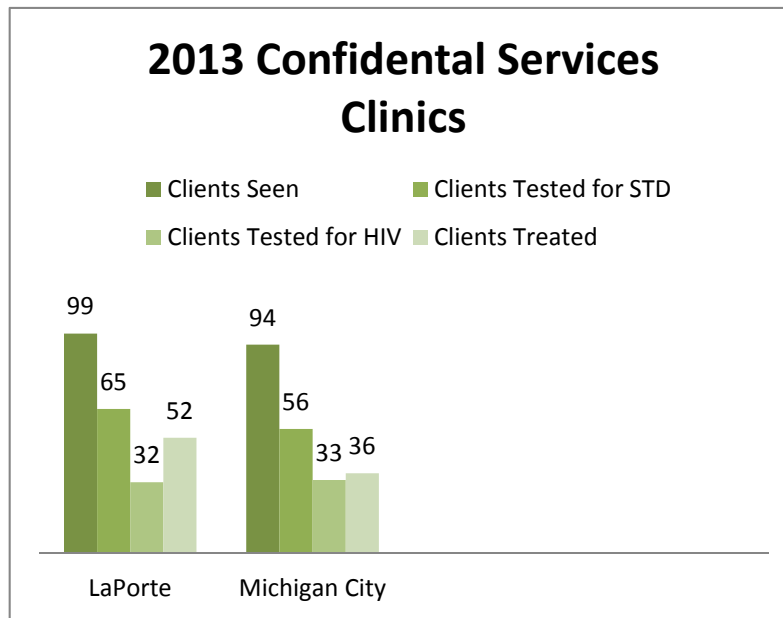
*** Reported to and investigated by the Indiana State Department of Health.**

Confidential Services

The LaPorte County Health Department remains committed to providing services for the prevention and control of sexually transmitted infections. Two confidential service clinics are held weekly in our office each Wednesday in LaPorte and each Thursday in Michigan City. Appointments for these services are advisable. Clients receive examinations and risk assessments by a nurse practitioner. Diagnostic services, treatment, and vaccine referrals are provided for a \$20.00 fee.

193 Clients were seen in our Confidential Services Clinics in 2013. 121 clients were tested for Chlamydia and Gonorrhea and 65 clients were tested for HIV.

	LaPorte Confidential Clinic	Michigan City Confidential Clinic
Number of Clients Seen	99	94
Number of Clients Tested	65	56
HIV Tests Performed	32	33



Wellness Blood Screening

The wellness blood screening service is offered once per month in Michigan City and twice per month in LaPorte. These low-cost preventative health care screenings provide the client and their physician with valuable information regarding their overall health. We offer the Complete Metabolic Panel (CMP), Complete Blood Count (CBC), Thyroid Panel (TSH, Free T4), Hemoglobin A1C, and Prostate Specific Antigen (PSA.) All results are forwarded to the client and their physician for follow up.

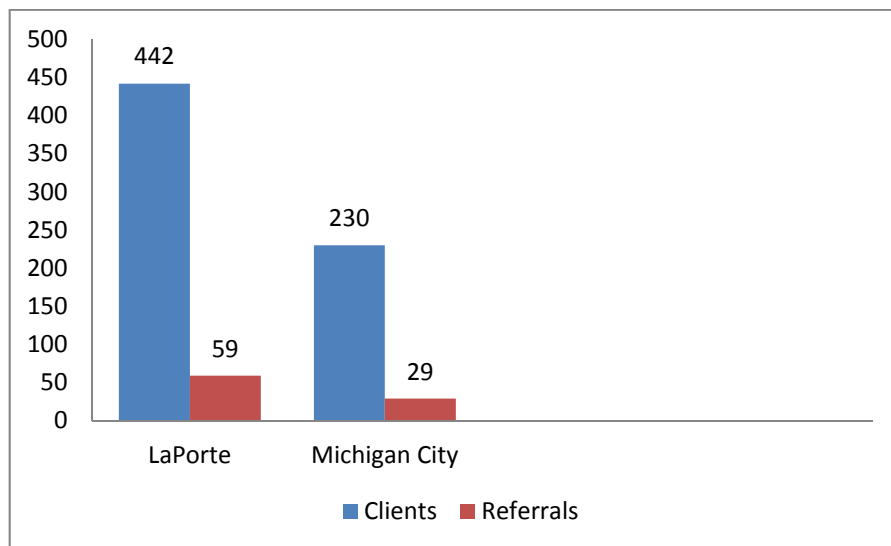
The complete metabolic panel includes the following components:

- Calcium
- Sodium
- BUN
- Iron
- Phosphorus
- AST (SGOT)
- Creatinine
- Cholesterol
- Alkaline Phosphatase
- Chloride
- HDL
- Triglyceride
- Bilirubin
- Protein
- Potassium
- LDL
- ALT (SGPT)
- Albumin
- Glucose

The complete blood count includes the following components:

- White Blood Cells
- MCV
- Platelets
- Lymphocytes
- Red Blood Cells
- MCH
- MPV
- Monocytes
- Hemoglobin
- MCHC
- RBC Morphology
- Eosinophils
- Hematocrit
- RDW
- Neutrophils
- Basophils

2013 Wellness Blood Screening Statistics



In 2013 - 672 clients received services and 88 abnormal lab results were referred to a doctor.

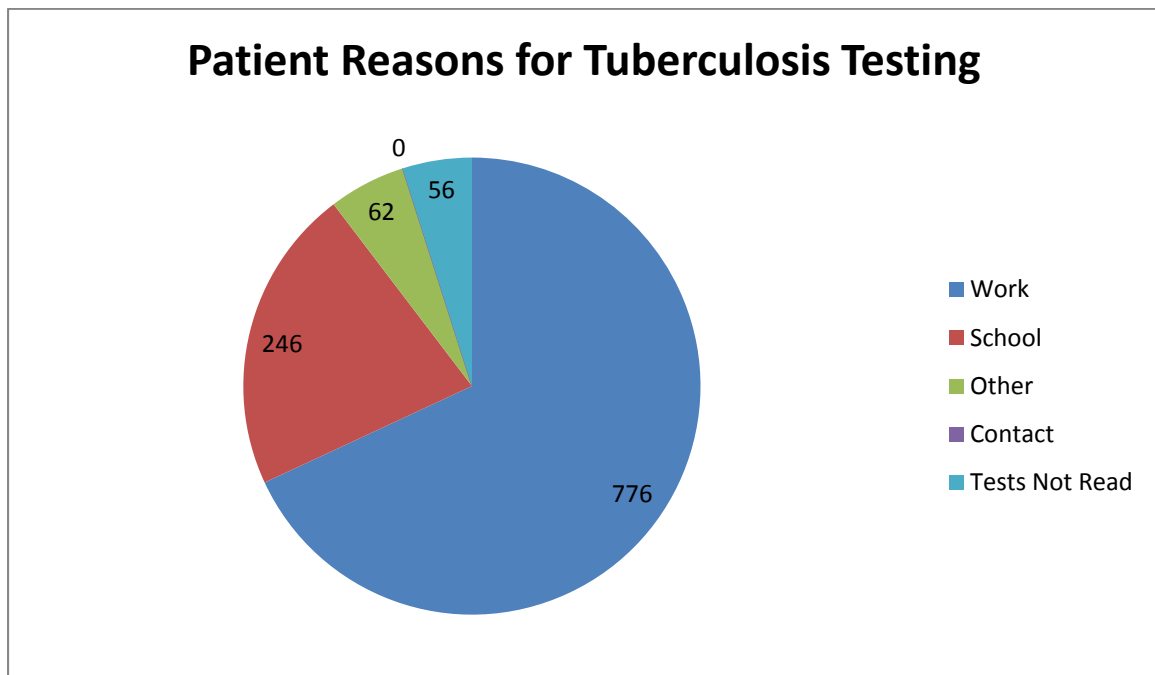
Tuberculosis Prevention and Control

The overall priorities for the treatment of Tuberculosis are early identification and complete treatment of infectious patients and minimizing the transmission of Mycobacterium Tuberculosis to other people. The Tuberculosis Case Manager works under the supervision of the Health Officer and assures that complete and appropriate information regarding each patient is shared with the Indiana State Department of Health TB Program in a timely manner.

All persons with active Tuberculosis (infectious) receive medications by Directly Observed Therapy (DOT) to ensure adherence and completion of treatment. Patients remain under the care of their physician and health department until this is accomplished.

Contact investigation to identify all people exposed to Tuberculosis is the second priority of Tuberculosis control. Intensive efforts are made to identify untreated individuals who are infected so they do not become infectious. Contact investigations are done through extensive interviewing and follow-up of all infected contacts with Tuberculosis skin testing. Persons who are found to have latent Tuberculosis infection (non-infectious) also receive medications free of charge through the health department. The LaPorte County Health Department Health Officer provides follow up to uninsured patients through the chest clinics held at the health department.

In 2013, we had zero active Tuberculosis cases and two latent Tuberculosis cases.



1,106 Tuberculosis tests were administered in 2013.

Lead Program

Lead testing is provided free of charge to children 6 months through 6 years of age and pregnant women. The department provides this service in both offices by appointment. Families of children who are identified as having elevated blood lead levels receive an environmental assessment and case management services provided by the nursing case manager and the certified lead risk assessor.

We tested 139 clients for lead in 2013. We followed up on two elevated blood lead levels found during screening.

HEALTH EDUCATION

The Health Education Department (HED) has continued to assist the nursing and environmental departments in the health department with any communication needs to the public via press releases, newspaper ads, posters, pamphlets, bulletin boards, and power point presentations. The HED also continues to promote activities of the health department through community engagement and agency sharing.

2013 was filled with many different activities throughout the year. In January, the health educator became certified to teach environmental education through Project Wild to kindergarten through 12th grade. LaPorte High School held their first health fair addressing drugs and alcohol as well as many other overall health associated topics. LPCHD brought information about sexually transmitted disease and the HPV vaccine to their fair. The HED conducted a living pond enrichment class at Olive Elementary teaching students that everything they do has consequences relating to the environment. The HED attended other health fairs from various groups throughout the year carrying many different topics, including but not limited to health department services and clinics, tobacco cessation, sexually transmitted diseases and healthy choices regarding sex and drugs, healthy pregnancies, protecting the environment, navigating the Affordable Care Act, and healthy homes addressing radon, lead poisoning and well water. Also, in 2013 the county health rankings received notice for low birth weight babies and infant mortality and discussions were aimed at what LaPorte County can do to improve our ranking.

Renewed interest in building LPCHD volunteers for emergencies was also started with the assistance of the newly hired District 1 Volunteer coordinator. She asked for assistance from the health educator to recruit community volunteers at our events. Another aspect of the HED was to assist the New Prairie United School Corporation set up the "Healthy Lifestyle Den" to save the corporation money and by offering a satellite health clinic within their school boundaries at Rolling Prairie Elementary. Next year the committee will be working on a comprehensive nutrition directive for the corporation to address healthier choices for students at lunch time.

Healthy Communities, in partnership with all council members, conducted a meet and greet for community members to become more familiar and associated with other LaPorte county agencies. This fostered many new partnerships and collaborated funding efforts towards common goals.

HED has continued to keep the health department section of the county webpage updated. We will continue to reach our clientele via various media outlets. The Department's Facebook page continues to increase in popularity.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

The Environmental Health programs serve to prevent disease, preserve the environment, and improve the quality of life. The environmental section implements a wide variety of environmental health programs. These programs include: retail food inspection and permitting; complaint investigations and inspections; environmental and unsanitary complaint investigations; on-site sewage system geographical information systems (GIS) mapping, permitting and inspections; public and semi-public pools, wading pools and spas, permitting and inspection; outdoor wood boiler unit registration; radon awareness; vector control; tattoo and body piercing permitting and inspection; meth house condemnation; Lake Michigan and inland lake sampling; environmental lead assessments; mobile camp car permitting and inspection; and emergency preparedness. In addition to these services we have a water laboratory that is certified in bacteriological and nitrate testing.

Public Swimming Pools

The Environmental staff continues to inspect and review plans for all public and semi-public aquatic recreational facilities in LaPorte County. Guidelines for inspection are set forth in the Indiana State Department of Health Rule 410 IAC 6-2.1 and LaPorte County Ordinance No. 15. Outdoor/seasonal facilities were inspected once prior to opening for the season. There were 29 outdoor/seasonal facilities, resulting in a total of 36 seasonal inspections. Indoor/year-round facilities are inspected 3 times per year. There were 22 year-round facilities, resulting in a total of 99 inspections. Inspection totals do not include re-inspections that may have been performed. Some facilities have more than one type of pool (i.e. pool and/or kiddie pool) resulting in multiple inspections for some facilities. The environmental section has 6 staff members that are Certified Pool Operators. All pools in LaPorte County must employ a certified pool operator to operate their pools. These pools are a mix of recreational pools, spas, wading pools, splash pads, diving pools, therapy pools, and competition lap pools.

Environmental/Sanitation Complaints

This section concerns all complaints made to the health department. Complaints range from trash and garbage to unsanitary living conditions. In 2013, our office investigated 153 complaints. An investigation into these complaints begins with a phone call and/or site inspection. If there are no health code violations, the complaint is considered invalid and it is closed out of the database. If the complaint is found to be valid by violation of a health code, then county officials will consult with the subject of the complaint and inform them of the appropriate action that needs to be taken in order to remediate the situation. The chart below is a representation of the types and quantity of complaints that are investigated. Not all complaint types are listed.

Total complaints:	2012	2013
Abandoned property	1	3
Animals	4	2
Unsanitary living	16	12
House condemnation	1	1
Trash & Garbage	37	24
Dump sites	3	1
High weeds/grass	10	2
Open burning	11	5
Indoor air	22	12
Outdoor air Pollution	8	3
Insects and mice	5	8
Septic / sewage	37	23
Water Pollution	3	1
Stagnant swimming Pool	7	8
Tires	1	1
Housing	16	7
Drinking Water	1	1
Rats	1	1
Hazardous Material	5	2

Lead Risk Assessments

The Environmental Health section of the health department has a licensed lead risk inspector/assessor on staff. The assessor/inspector investigates the interior and exterior of homes within the county for the presence of deteriorating lead based paint and other lead hazards. Lead risk assessments/inspections are performed as required by the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) and in compliance with Indiana Administrative Code Title 410, Article 29 Reporting Monitoring and Prevention of Lead Poisoning.

The inspection/assessment process is prompted when a health department nurse is notified, by a licensed physician or ISDH, that a child has been identified with an Elevated Blood Lead Level (EBLL) in their system. This notification prompts the inspector/assessor to contact the child's parents/guardians and set up an initial consultation within the home. At this time an interview is conducted, and paint chip samples and dust wipe samples are collected throughout the home. These samples are then sent to the ISDH Indoor Air Quality Laboratories for analysis. If lead hazards are found to exist within the home, then the assessor/inspector provides additional consultation with the property owner by prescribing the appropriate actions best suited to remediate the situation within a given prescribed timeframe. There were no new cases of childhood lead poisoning in LaPorte County in 2013.

Outdoor Hydronic Heater Program (Outdoor Wood Boilers/Outdoor Wood Burning Furnaces)

The Environmental staff continues to educate owners, register units, and investigate complaints under the La Porte County Ordinance 2007-10-B "Ordinance for Regulation of Outdoor Hydronic Heaters." There are 153 registered units in La Porte County. In 2013, there was one complaint, which was valid and corrected. The Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) enforces state rule 326 IAC 4-3 as it pertains to outdoor hydronic heaters, and the La Porte County environmental staff will liaison on those complaints if necessary. In 2013, there was one complaint, in which La Porte County staff did accompany IDEM. The complaint was not valid.

On-Site Sewage System (OSS)

The OSS section works with property owners and developers to ensure that septic system installations are in complete compliance with minimum standards established by Indiana State Department of Health Rule 410 IAC 6-8.1, Rule 410 IAC 6-10, Bulletin S.E. 13 and La Porte County Ordinance no.1996-22. There were 145 septic permits issued in 2013. The staff of environmental health specialists completed 264 individual site evaluations, plan reviews, rechecks and inspections.

Vector control (West Nile Virus)

West Nile Virus surveillance continues to take place in La Porte County to determine the spread of the West Nile Virus during the months of July thru September. The environmental section set up mosquito traps throughout the county and applied larvicides in areas where needed to control populations for public health. Several hundred mosquitoes were sent to the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) Molecular Laboratory for West Nile Virus (WNV) testing. No pools collected by the La Porte County Health Department tested positive for the 2013 season.

Water Laboratory

The La Porte County Health Department is 1 of 5 health departments in Indiana with an on-site water laboratory certified by the ISDH Laboratories. The LPCHD is certified for the analysis of drinking water, pools and spas for the presence of total coliform with E. coli confirmation, surface water, including recreational beach waters for the enumeration of E.coli, Nitrate and heterotrophic plate counts. As of June 10, 2013, the LPCHD is 1 of 2 Health Departments in Indiana certified by ISDH Laboratories for the presence of Nitrate in drinking water. The ISDH Laboratories are responsible for certifying laboratories under the Safe Drinking Water Act. This includes conducting on-site evaluations and evaluating proficiency test samples. ISDH re-certification is done every three years. In addition, the lab offers chemistry screening analysis such as nitrate, nitrite, lead, iron and fluoride.

The lab re-certification with the State Department of Health Microbiology Certification officer took place on November 22, 2013. The next on-site inspection for microbiology will be scheduled in the fall of 2016.

Certification for Nitrate began on June 10, 2013 and the next on-site inspection/re-certification will be spring of 2016. The LPCHD is the ONLY laboratory in La Porte County certified for Nitrate.

For National Drinking Water Week 2013, the LPCHD Water Laboratory offered FREE In-Home testing/screening kits that screened well water for 10 different contaminants: Bacteria, Copper, pH, Total Chlorine, Lead, Iron, Total Nitrate/Nitrite, Pesticides, Nitrite, and Total Hardness. 250 kits were handed out to LaPorte County residents. Proof of residence was required at pick up by providing their address. Email addresses were also required for residents to enter their results and take a short survey after completing the testing. 27 residents entered their results into the website. Of the 27 entries, they were all positive reviews. In the future, if we offer this type of testing, we will need a better way for the public to share their results.

Supplies for FREE testing: 250 samples @ \$12.00 each - \$3,000.00

Tests performed in 2013

Drinking Water	1018
Surface Water	167
Swimming Pool	1200
Whirlpool Spa	260
Recreational Waters	641
Certified Nitrate	30
Irrigation Well	11

Screening Tests:

Lead	154
Nitrate	186
Nitrite	159
Iron	23
Fluoride	6

Beach Sampling

The Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) Beach Quality Program administrator was able to find additional funding sources for the program for 2013. The beach sampling for Lake Michigan still continues to thrive. These grant monies allow the LaPorte County Health Department (LPCHD) to continue to monitor the water quality of the swimming areas of Lake Michigan for the twelfth consecutive year. This contract originally was put in place to supplement our existing program with federal funds from the Beaches Environmental Assessment and Coastal Health Act (BEACH Act). The Act was set up for states to develop and implement beach water quality monitoring and notification programs. The LPCHD has had an existing sampling and notification program for our Inland and Lake Michigan Beaches for over twenty years. We utilize the money to buy aging equipment for our field sampling staff such as coolers, wind meters, compasses, meter sticks, and thermometers.

Results from the previous day's water sample are entered into the IDEM website called *Beachguard*.

Food Protection

The inspectors of the Environmental Health/Food Division enforce 410 IAC 7-24 and Ordinance no. 13-15 to ensure that the public is served food that meets standards for healthful and safe preparation and consumption. Restaurants, bed and breakfasts, convenience stores, private clubs, lunch trucks, grocery stores, bars, taverns, certain non-profit organizations, schools, mobile units and temporary vendors receive unannounced inspections throughout the year. In 2013, the inspectors performed 1,133 routine inspections on the retail food establishments.

The division works closely with public health nurses, physicians and the state field epidemiologist to investigate suspected foodborne disease outbreaks.

Statistical Summary

Licenses Issued:	2011	2012	2013
Food Service Establishments	513	510	505
Mobile Units	38	42	28
Temporary Food Establishments	348	287	311
New Establishments	49	37	68
Inspection Activity:	2011	2012	2013
Retail Food Service	1077	1159	1133
School Kitchens	86	86	80
Temporary/Mobile	406	329	339
Fire Investigations	3	1	2
Non Profit Organizations	34	34	36
Complaint Investigations	32	61	39
Possible Foodborne Illness	8	6	3
Food Recalls	229	268	260
Consultations (field/office/phone)	603	521	488
Temporary Closures	2	1	2
Administrative Hearings	2	4	7