

TOWN OF CONCORD COMMUNICABLE DISEASE REPORTING						
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	'06-'10 Median
Amebiasis	0	0	0	2	0	0
Babesiosis	0	0	1	1	3	1
Campylobacter	5	4	3	4	6	4
Cryptococcus	0	0	1	2	0	1
Cryptosporidia	1	0	0	0	0	0
Dengue	-	-	-	-	1	-
E. Coli	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ehrlichiosis	2	0	0	3	0	2
Encephalitis	0	0	0	0	0	0
Entamoeba	0	0	0	0	0	0
Enterovirus	0	0	0	1	0	0
Giardia	1	1	4	3	2	2
Hepatitis A	1	0	0	0	0	0
Hepatitis B	1	3	0	1	1	1
Hepatitis C*	1	6	19	68	23	19
H1N1 Influenza	0	0	0	2	0	0
HGA	0	0	0	5	8	0
Legionnaire's Disease	0	0	0	1	0	0
Lyme Disease	53	29	84	48	46	48
Measles	0	0	0	0	0	0
Meningitis	0	2	0	0	0	0
Pertussis	1	3	0	0	0	0
Rocky Mtn Spotted Fever	0	0	1	0	0	0
Salmonella	3	3	5	4	4	4
Shigella	0	1	3	1	2	1
Streptococcal Pneumonia	3	2	2	2	1	2
Type B Streptococcus	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tuberculosis	3	1	1	2	0	1
Varicella (Chicken Pox)	0	5	1	0	0	0
Yersiniosis	0	0	1	0	0	0

*All but 1 case of Hepatitis C is associated with MCI-Concord

2010 Food Service/Retail Permits	
30 Retail Food Permits	14 Delis
38 Food Service Establishments	6 Nursing Homes
8 Farm Stands	1 Hospital Kitchen
6 Public School Cafeterias	4 Private School Cafeterias
6 Religious Organizations	2 Community Assistance Food Groups
1 Food Bank	1 Home for the Aged
1 Sporting Event Snack Bar	4 Seasonal Food Establishments
2 Mobil Food Trucks	2 Bed & Breakfast Establishments
10 Catering Base of Operations	2 Daycare with Food Service
3 Wholesale Food Processors	4 Rental Halls
2 Private Clubs	6 Frozen Ice Cream
3 Residential Retail Kitchens	

BOARD OF HEALTH

Alan Woodward, MD, Chair
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The Board of Health is responsible for the overall stewardship of the public health of Concord. It promotes, enacts, and enforces health rules and regula-

tions in accordance with local bylaws and State law. There are five members of the Board, appointed for three-year terms by the Town Manager. The Board experienced many changes in 2010 with a complete turnover in membership and the departure of the Public Health Director in August 2010.

The Board of Health granted 8 variances to State and local wastewater system regulations, held 2 enforcement hearings for Food Establishments, and 1 hearing for

relief from the Housing Code. The Board approved the operation of a Mobile Poultry Processing unit at Verrill Farm. This program was originally developed as a pilot project by the Department of Public Health and the New England Small Farm Institute.

The Board also successfully brought forth Articles 66 and 67 at the 2010 Annual Town Meeting, to revise existing by laws to restrict the sale of tobacco to minors and initiate a smoke free workplace.

HEALTH DIVISION

Stanley Sosnicki, CEHT, Acting Public Health Director
Gabrielle White, Public Health Inspector
Karen Byrne, Administrative Assistant

The Health Division enforces State statutes and regulations relative to the protection of public health, the control of disease, the promotion of sanitary living conditions, and the protection of the environment from damage and pollution. Environmental and sanitary codes enforced by the Health Division include: onsite wastewater (septic) systems, food establishments, swimming pools, bathing beaches, summer camps, indoor ice skating rinks, housing, and lead paint. Administrative staff assists with annual flu clinics and the rabies control program, administers the Septic Betterment Loan Program and the issuance of approximately 457 annual licenses/permits.

Regional Public Health Services

Under a regional service contract, the Health Division staff provided a total of 524 hours of staff support to the towns of Lincoln and Carlisle in 2010 resulting in \$29,337 in revenue for the Town of Concord.

Emergency Preparedness

The Health Division worked closely with the Concord Emergency Management Agency to further develop local public health emergency response capacity. This included the continued development of the Concord Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) supply and equipment inventory for items purchased over the last 3 years.

Permits & Licenses

The Health Division issued the following licenses and collected \$116,590 in permit fees: 125 Food Service/Retail Food; 22 Tobacco Sales; 64 Permits to Keep Farm Animals; 3 Bathing Beaches; 21 Swimming Pools; 48

Hazardous Material Storage/Usage; 13 Recreational Camp Sites; 19 Day Camp Programs; 2 Tanning Facilities; 103 Disposal Works Installers; 18 Septic Haulers; 13 Rubbish Haulers; 4 Funeral Directors; 128 On-Site Sewage Disposal Permits; 151 Building Permit Reviews; and 14 Well Permits.

Public Health Nursing/Communicable Disease Control
Under a contract with the Health Division, Emerson Hospital Home Care provided nursing services to staff and coordinate annual influenza vaccination clinics, telephone and home visits to patients, and investigation of reported cases of communicable diseases. The cases of communicable diseases are reported to the Health Division for inclusion in statistical reports prepared by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health for epidemiological purposes. This confidential information is maintained by the Health Division Administrative Assistant and conveyed to the public health nurses and MDPH for appropriate follow-up action. **See table on the following page.**

Influenza Vaccine Distribution & Clinics

The Health Division sponsored an annual seasonal influenza clinic at the Harvey Wheeler Center. Approximately 238 vaccines were administered to Concord Seniors, which is a lower turnout than in years past. This year, early availability of influenza vaccine from manufacturers to primary care physicians and other venues such as CVS, Walgreens, and Rite Aid was certain to have had an affect in the totals

The Health Department, was pleased to sponsor a Seasonal Influenza Clinic for Town Employees. Emerson Hospital Home Care administered nearly 100 vaccines to Town Employees during this clinic.

Food Inspections & Temporary Food Events

The Public Health Inspector conducted over 200 inspections of the 125 food establishments in Concord. Inspections were based on a newly implemented risk-based inspection program. The program focuses on education and active managerial control, providing facilities managers with a systematic approach to food safety. This innovative program has been well received with positive results. New Food Allergen Awareness regulations were passed which require food service operators to be trained to inform consumers about food allergens. There were 7 new food establishments reviewed.