



GRANVILLE VANCE
public health
Your Environment. Your Community. Your Health.

ANNUAL REPORT 2017



GVPH Staff at Oxford location



GVPH Staff at Henderson location

Granville Vance Public Health (GVPH) prevents disease and promotes good health among every resident within our two-county health district. We are committed to serving our communities by offering the highest quality preventive and clinical care, environmental health services, and health promotion efforts. Using a rural academic health department model, we engage local stakeholders to use innovative, evidence-based solutions with the community that advance the highest level of health for all Granville and Vance County residents. We recognize the many factors that influence health and work in collaboration with new and longtime partners towards a greater quality of life for all.



Our Vision: Inspiring a culture of health by improving Your Environment, Your Community, and Your Health.



Our Mission: Protect and promote health in Granville and Vance counties.

Our Values: Collaboration, community, compassion, diversity, flexibility, integrity, quality, and respect.



Financial Reporting

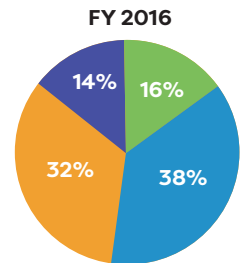
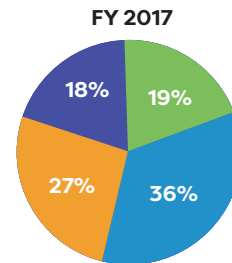
Maintaining essential services in a changing health care landscape

The more funds that GVPH receives, the more community services and resources we can provide. Although our status as a health district allows us flexibility to procure grant-based funding, our overall state and federal funding has decreased in recent years.

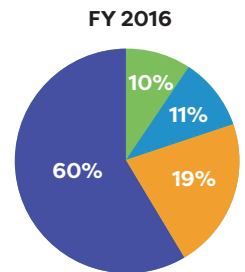
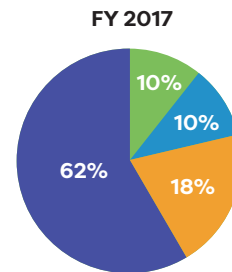
We have worked hard to partner with local, state, and federal entities that can support and expand community health efforts in

Granville and Vance counties. During the July 2016 – June 2017 fiscal year, GVPH managed over \$2,500,000 in grant-funded projects. These funds help us support valuable community-based projects in both counties while also maintaining critical staffing. These grant dollars are essential to ensuring that evidence-based care and health promotion practices extend into rural communities in Granville and Vance counties.

GVPH Revenues	FY 2017	FY 2016
County appropriations	\$1,150,963 (19%)	\$850,963 (16%)
Federal & State grants	\$2,124,149 (36%)	\$1,988,619 (38%)
Fees & fee reimbursements	\$1,631,129 (27%)	\$1,721,307 (32%)
Other revenues	\$1,078,024 (18%)	\$739,704 (14%)
Total	\$5,984,265	\$5,300,593



GVPH Expenses	FY 2017	FY 2016
Administration	\$633,857 (10%)	\$621,778 (10%)
Environmental Health	\$633,228 (10%)	\$652,993 (11%)
Home Health	\$1,086,343 (18%)	\$1,146,724 (19%)
Other Human Services	\$3,718,961 (62%)	\$3,547,046 (60%)
Total	\$6,072,389	\$5,968,541



Home Health Sale

In October 2017, GVPH transitioned the Granville Vance Home Health Agency over to the North Carolina-based private company, 3HC (Home Health and Hospice). This was not an easy or quick decision. Home Health provided a wonderful community service, high-quality, team-based care, and critical revenue for the health department for many decades. This difficult decision was made due to national shifts in home health reimbursement and management. We will forever miss the important spot our Home Health staff held in the agency for many years, and we know 3HC will do a great job taking care of our community members.

Primary Care

GVPH offers primary care to all patients, insured and uninsured, adults and children. We offer everything from sick visits to chronic disease management, well child visits, and sports physicals. By offering comprehensive services to our clients, we can ensure appropriate follow-up and be our patients' true medical home. We are proud to offer evidence-based and judgement-free care.

Providing Comprehensive Clinical Care

GVPH provides a range of services through clinics in Oxford and Henderson.

- Primary care clinic
- Immunization clinic
- Child health clinic
- Maternal health clinic, including CenteringPregnancy® and breastfeeding promotion & support
- Family planning
- Communicable disease services



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GVPH Medical Director and
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Clinical Care Visits

January 1 – December 31, 2017

4,529
unique patients seen for
9,743
individual visits

1,914
uninsured patients
totalling
3,705
visits

1,636
patients rely on Medicaid
for medical care
received during
3,037
Medicaid visits

Reaccredited with Honors

Demonstrating a commitment to providing quality essential public health services



The North Carolina Local Health Department Accreditation program reviews the capacity of each health department to perform core functions and provide essential services. GVPH went through the reaccreditation process in 2017 and was recognized as

an accredited health department with honors. Local health departments receiving the honors designation excelled in their accreditation assessment, missing one or fewer activities within each of the five standards set by the North Carolina Local Health Department Accreditation program – a total of 147 activities! The next reaccreditation assessment for GVPH will occur in the fall of 2021.

Our Commitment to Quality Public Health

GVPH strives to be:



Responsive

We aim to be a leader in rural public health – we use an academic health department model to apply evidence-based programs and services tailored to the local communities' needs.



Resilient

We are designing the future of public health in our communities – within essential services and by seeking additional funding to address emerging needs with new innovative approaches.



Results-driven

We work internally and partner with other local resources to integrate how we address behavioral health and physical health.

WIC is a supplemental food program that provides nutrition education and breastfeeding support to women, infants, and children. WIC provides nutrition education adapted to each family's needs so that mothers, caretakers, and children get information about healthy eating habits that apply to their dietary needs and preferences.



GVPH served **2,408** WIC participants between January 1 - December 31, 2017.

7,259 visits to provide nutrition education for women participating in WIC.

7,906 visits to provide nutrition education for caretakers of infants participating in WIC.

13,843 visits to provide nutrition education for caretakers of participating children.

WIC vouchers totaling **\$966,093.48** were redeemed in Granville and Vance counties in 2017. This money supports local businesses while ensuring that women, infants, and children have access to healthy food options.

Child Health



GVPH preventive health services are offered to children from birth to 21 years of age. Services are provided through newborn home visits, well child visits, and pediatric primary care clinics.

Routine screenings and health guidance are provided by nursing, medical, social work, and nutrition staff in well child clinics. During these visits, a child's vision, speech, hearing, and development can be screened, and children can be checked for anemia, lead poisoning, and chronic diseases.

In 2017, GVPH's Child Health Program conducted **1,034** visits for **715** children



Immunizations

January 1 – December 31, 2017

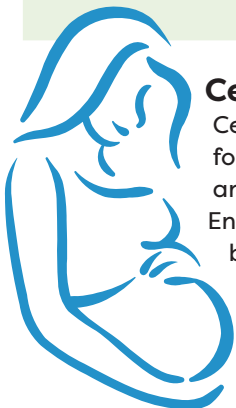
3,994
immunizations were given to
2,409
individuals

1,989
immunizations were given to
720
children and adolescents under 18 years of age

GVPH provided
1,799
Flu Vaccines



Photo: Granville Vance District Public Health Director Lisa Macon Harrison gets her flu shot.



CenteringPregnancy®

CenteringPregnancy® brings eight to ten women with similar due dates together for group prenatal care. GVPH started offering CenteringPregnancy® in 2016, and it is now our standard of care for all expectant moms, with groups offered in English and Spanish in both Granville and Vance counties. Benefits include better health outcomes, moms more engaged in their own healthcare, more time with providers, increased self-confidence, support, friendship, and fun!

GVPH conducted **12 CenteringPregnancy® groups** in 2017.

109 women participated in CenteringPregnancy® group prenatal care.



Communicable Diseases

The surveillance and control of communicable diseases

is an important part of protecting the public's health given the impact these diseases can have on the population.

North Carolina's list of reportable diseases and the timeframes in which they are required to be reported to the Division of Public Health is specified in the **North Carolina Administrative Code rule 10A NCAC 41A .0101**.

GVPH Communicable Disease Nurses are responsible for following up on the initial notification of a reportable disease and beginning an epidemiologic investigation.

Responsibilities of communicable disease nurses include:

- Collecting demographic, clinical, epidemiologic, and sometimes case contact information
- Verifying that reported cases meet the reporting requirements
- Assuring that affected individuals and their contacts receive appropriate treatment

- HIV Testing & Counseling
- Sexually Transmitted Disease Testing & Treatment
- North Carolina Reportable Disease Surveillance & Investigation
- Tuberculosis Testing & Monitoring
- Animal Bite Reporting & Rabies Surveillance

2,067 Case investigations were conducted by GVPH Communicable Disease Nurses in 2017.

Family Planning Services

GVPH provides family planning counseling and clinical services, including long-acting reversible contraceptives (LARCs) to residents at little to no cost. LARCs are especially important because they are more effective than any other method, which helps women prevent unplanned pregnancies and have optimal pregnancy spacing. They have top-tier effectiveness, high rates of satisfaction and continuation, and no need for daily adherence. GVPH offers all women these methods first, in line with recommendations from the Department of Health and Human Services and the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology.



Granville Vance Public Health Board of Health

GVPH Board of Health members provide a tremendous service to their communities. The Board of Health supports and advocates for public health practice in Granville and Vance counties. Volunteering their time to serve a multi-county district health department requires responsibilities related to budget sustainability and policy, all while keeping the best interest of individuals and families across multiple communities in mind.

If you would like to know more about any of our services or community outreach efforts, our Board of Health members would be glad to share more information. We welcome visitors, encourage questions, and appreciate any opportunity to share the many ways that public health touches your life.



Environmental Health

GVPH Environmental Health conducts inspections of restaurants, daycare centers, hospital and school cafeterias, tattoo parlors, swimming pools, and residential care homes. Our Environmental Health Specialists provide permits for wells and septic systems across both Granville and Vance counties.

Each member of our team is responsible for a number of specialty areas across a service area of over 800 square miles, from new developments in southern Granville County to rural properties along the Virginia line.

Preparing For a New Model of Health Care

Anticipating the impact of transitioning to managed care

GVPH has been involved with local, regional, and statewide conversations to help navigate patients and systems into a new era of Medicaid Managed Care. How public health fits in the picture is important, yet not quite fully determined. Medicaid leadership is talking about new and creative approaches to addressing population health. We look forward to leading the way for local, rural public health departments to be a prevention, population health, and primary care solution.

Creating a Culture of Health

Investing in proven health promotion strategies

The GVPH Health Education and Health Promotion team works with community stakeholders to create and manage sustainable programs geared towards improving health outcomes. Highlights of this work include:

- Advancing child health and preventing child obesity in Granville County through the Working on Wellness (WOW) Coalition
- Hosting keynote speaker Attorney General Josh Stein at our Community Leadership Forum on Opioid Use
- Building systems of care for families of children and youth with special healthcare needs to address needs related to education, screening, and patient-centered medical homes
- Continued funding and expansion of our teen pregnancy prevention program in Vance County
- Offering new Minority Diabetes Prevention Program classes in both English and Spanish

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