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## **MCHD HEALTH BLOG** The greatest wealth of a community is the health of the people.





## NATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK

This week is National Public Health Week! At Morgan County Health Department (MCHD) we believe the greatest wealth of a community is the health of the people. We are passionate about the health and welfare of everyone in Morgan County. We take pride in our mission statement, which is "to provide quality client-centered public health services to enhance the well-being of the entire population of Morgan County." Our core values that help us meet the county's needs include quality service, knowledge, diversity, collaboration, and training.

Ultimately, the role of the health department is to prevent illness and injury, promote health and wellbeing, and protect all Morgan County citizens. We do this through a variety of programs and activities that address a wide range of health-related topics. Here are a few examples:

- Our nursing clinic gives shots to all ages to help prevent diseases. We can also administer TB tests and allergy shots!
- Our environmental health staff conducts food safety inspections and provides education at local businesses to keep your food safe to eat.
- Our emergency preparedness staff works with community, regional, and state partners to prepare for and respond to events that impact the health of our community.
- Our health education staff teaches CPR/First Aid, does tobacco use prevention education, connects families to free car seats, and distributes naloxone (also known as Narcan) through the Project DAWN distribution program.
- Our vital statistics staff issue birth and death certificates and register home births.
- Through our Mosquito Control Program actions are taken to decrease adult mosquito activity. These activities include distribution of larval control tablets and hosting events such as tire collections to reduce mosquito breeding sources.
- And so much more!

If you would like a complete list of MCHD's services, call (740) 962-4572 or visit our website at <u>www.morganpublichealth.org</u>. Together we can make a difference in our beautiful community.