

Galion City Board of Health Environmental Division Monthly Report for September 2016

Food Safety

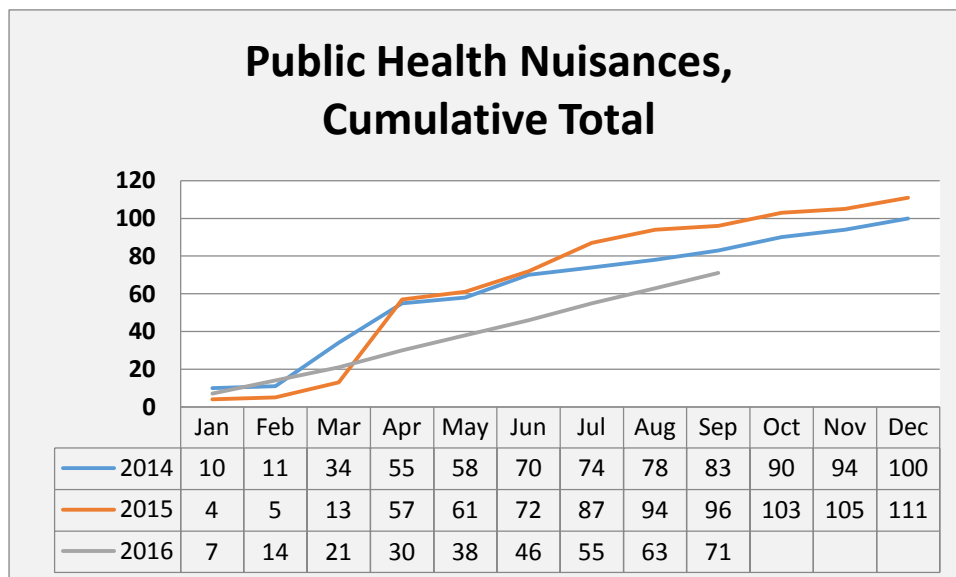
I participated in one-on-one training with Jason Ahrens, Food Safety Specialist with the Ohio Department of Agriculture, on September 6. The training consisted of conducting standard and process review inspections in two licensed retail food establishments and discussing violations observed and how to document them. I also participated in a Standard and Process Review Report Writing workshop facilitated by Jason Ahrens in Ashland on September 29. Both trainings were part of the action plan submitted to Ohio Department of Agriculture following the most recent Retail Food Establishment Program Survey, and both were informative and valuable opportunities.

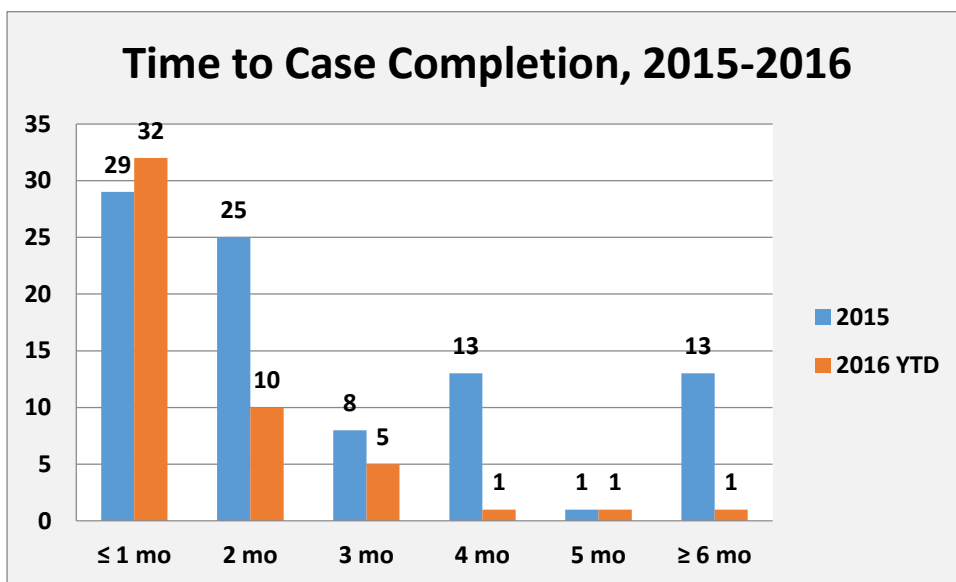
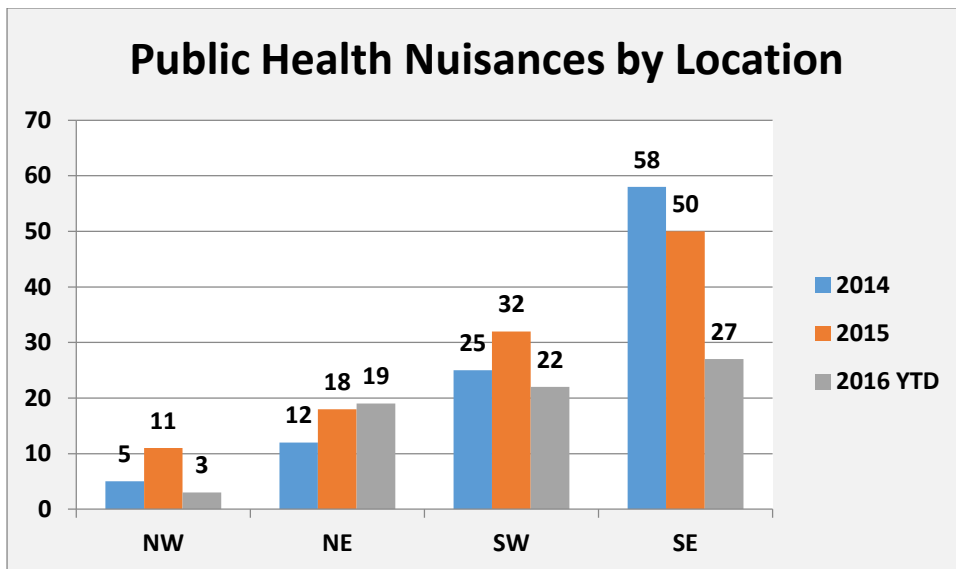
Much time was spent in the food safety program in September, and the first round of food safety inspections for the 2016-17 license year is nearly complete. A report of compliance status will be made to the Board of Health when the first round has been completed.

Follow-up inspections were conducted in two retail food establishments that have been entered into the Enhanced Enforcement Program for noncompliance with the Ohio Uniform Food Safety Code. Inspection findings were positive and all critical violations were found to have been corrected.

Public Health Nuisances

Eight public health nuisances were reported in September, all of which were solid waste. Nuisance statistics follow for the year to date follow.





Public Swimming Pools, Spas, and Special Use Pools

Seasonal public swimming pool injury incident data was submitted to Ohio Department of Health for the Drowning Prevention Pilot Project. ODH staff will be compiling the 2016 injury incident data during the month of October for reporting.

Rabies Prevention

Four animal bites occurred in Galion in September. All the biting animals were dogs, two that are owned and two that either belong to an unknown owner or are unowned. Rabies vaccination information has been received for one of the owned dogs and is pending for the other.

Smokefree Workplace

Violations of the Smokefree Workplace Law were observed in a licensed facility during a routine food service inspection on September 23. A complaint was subsequently entered into the Smokefree Workplace web application and investigation will follow.

Respectfully submitted,

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