



Galion City Board of Health Health Commissioner's Monthly Report for June 2023

Fiscal/Funding

We were pleased to have Leanna Perdue fill the Business Services Officer/ Vital Statistics Registrar (BSO/VSR) position on June 26th. She's off to a great start. We also learned that our health department has been awarded \$370,000, which can be spent anytime from July 1st, 2023, through November 30, 2027. We were originally going to be awarded \$360,000, but an additional \$10,000 has been granted to go towards training to help address health equity. In addition, there is an Annual Financial Report (AFR) which was submitted to the Ohio Department of Health (ODH). Our previous BSO/VSR completed this as much as she could before she resigned, and the deadline was extended until July 1st. There was a glitch in the system which prevented Jason from completing certain aspects of that, but he contacted ODH, and they told him to not worry about the glitch in their system. Other supporting documentation which was required to be submitted was also included in that.

Education/ Outreach

One child car seat check was conducted, and eight car seats were distributed during three classes.

Accreditation

We completed the last of the accreditation requirements and successfully submitted our paperwork before the deadline. A decision will be made in August regarding whether we have successfully become an accredited health department. At the most recent staff meeting, Jason asked what we should do to celebrate when we officially become accredited.

Contracts

On June 30th, while Jason was out of the office, the Galion City Schools Superintendent emailed him to request that he submit a proposal for the school nurse contract. She explained that they were going to decide in the next few days about who to contract with. Jason emailed back that same day and said that he was out of the office and asked if a proposal could be submitted on Wednesday, July 5th, which was his first day back. He received no reply, but he submitted a draft contract on July 5th to include the information that was previously discussed. In addition, he explained that this was a draft and still needed approval by our legal counsel and our Board of Health.

Performance Management

Jason was happy to learn that ODH has received an unlimited number of licenses to help local health departments gain access to a Performance Management system called Clear Impact. Now that accreditation paperwork has been submitted, we are able to reconsider our Performance Management system and make changes. There will be training in July about this. In addition, as part of Jason's New 2 Public Health year-long residency program, the focus for the month has been on Performance Management systems. There is a monthly 90-minute meeting, and about nine hours of 'homework' on it.

Respectfully submitted,

Jason McBride
Health Commissioner