

*Our Mission:*

To protect and promote health, and to prevent illness, disability and premature death among all residents of suburban Cook County.

The Cook County Department of Public Health is the state certified public health agency for suburban Cook County, exclusive of the cities of Chicago, Evanston, Skokie and Oak Park and Stickney Township where state certified health departments are operated by the local unit of government.

**District Offices**

**North Suburbs**

2121 Euclid Rd. • Rolling Meadows 60008  
847-818-2860 • TDD 847-818-2023

**West Suburbs**

1701 S. First Ave. • Maywood 60153  
708-344-6052 • TDD 708-450-2860

**Southwest Suburbs**

10220 S. 76th Ave. • Bridgeview 60455  
708-974-6160 • TDD 708-974-6043

**South Suburbs**

165th & Kedzie Pkwy. • Markham 60426  
708-210-4500 • TDD 708-210-4010

**Administrative Office**

1010 Lake St. • Suite 300 • Oak Park 60301  
708-445-2400 • TDD 708-445-2406

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# Cook County Department of Public Health

*Affiliate, Cook County Bureau of Health Services*

*Serving Suburban Residents Since 1945*



Protecting the health and environment  
of suburban Cook County.  
John H. Stroger, Jr., President,  
Cook County Board of Commissioners  
Affiliate, Cook County Bureau of Health  
Services Ruth M. Rothstein, Chief

*1995 Annual Report and Directory of Services*

## 1995 Highlights

- Co-sponsored the first statewide conference promoting Comprehensive School Health Education for more than 100 health and education professionals.
- Opened a joint prenatal care clinic with Loyola University in Maywood to increase service capacity for low income women. The clinic allowed the health department to serve an additional 1,000 prenatal clients in 1995.
- Assisted in the opening of the Genesis Center in DesPlaines. The center is providing low income families in the Northwest suburbs with primary care services. The health department is operating a Women, Infants and Children clinic in the center serving 1,500 clients.
- In a cooperative effort with MacNeal Hospital Family Practice Residency Program and School District 201, opened a school based primary health care center at Morton East High School in Cicero.
- Provided more than 5,800 dental sealants to children in low income families. Sealants protect teeth from tooth decay almost 100% of the time.
- Provided more than 10,000 environmental health inspections, evaluations and investigations.
- Case managed more than 23,800 women and children through the Healthy Moms/Healthy Kids program.
- Expanded Women, Infants and Children services to Saturdays to provide more convenience for working families.
- With funding from the Illinois Department of Transportation, CCDPH worked with suburban businesses to develop alcohol free worksites and encourage unimpaired driving.
- The department was designated as the lead agency in suburban Cook County to implement HIV Prevention Community Planning. As the lead agency, the department awarded more than \$200,000 dollars in prevention education funding to suburban groups.
- Held an awards dinner for twenty-two teenage mothers enrolled in the Delay of Adolescent Subsequent Pregnancy Project honoring them for going back to school, attending counseling sessions and not getting pregnant.
- Expanded efforts in reducing the number of children and teenage smokers by encouraging all suburban municipalities to adopt an ordinance to reduce access to tobacco products by teens. More than 30 municipalities adopted the ordinance in 1995.
- Distributed more than 900 child safety seats to low income families in suburban Cook County through the department's safety seat education program.
- Sponsored a Communicable Disease Surveillance Seminar for local hospital infection control practitioners. More than 150 people attended the conference which featured speakers from the National Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.
- Held two suburban seminars for restaurant owners and operators to provide current education and information on food safety.

## 1995 Operating Budget

<b>Cook County Corporate Appropriation</b>	11,971,949
<b>Grant/Service Funding</b>	
HIV/AIDS	
Federal AIDS	248,385
State AIDS	353,895
Ryan White	491,086
Basic Health	1,347,993
Healthy Moms/Healthy Kids Case Management	5,097,943
Chicago HMO/Follow up	5,857
Child Lead Poisoning Control	213,175
Child Safety Seats	31,500
Day Care/Nursing	9,800
Dental Sealant	73,275
Food Inspection Program	
Intergovernmental Agreements	65,000
Summer Food	670
Genetics	51,300
Hypertension	135,400
Infant Immunization	410,926
Maternal/Child Health	
Fee for Service	1,198,401
Prenatal	214,301
Primary Care	195,458
Problem Pregnancy	18,900
Outreach	778,980
Preventive Health Block Grant	170,500
Refugee	
Health Aides	66,000
Screening Exams (IDPA)	121,500
Sexually Transmitted Diseases	186,661
State Computer Information Link	87
SCC Tuberculosis Sanitarium	19,800
Teen Pregnancy	259,205
Title XX	
Health Support	25,000
Family Planning	432,100
Vaccines Provided by Federal/State (valued at)	851,943
Vision and Hearing	
State	54,000
School Agreements	2,000
WIC/Nutrition	1,977,036
<b>Total Grant/Service Funding</b>	<b>15,108,077</b>
<b>Total CCDPH Budget</b>	<b>27,080,026</b>

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## Environmental Health

**Day Care Centers:** Assist the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services by performing licensure and complaint inspections.

*Inspections in 1995: 291*

**Potable Water:** Inspect and survey non-community water wells and collect samples. Provide consultation on construction and maintenance and inspect new private well drilling operations. Oversee procedures for well abandonment.

*New Well Inspections in 1995: 185*

*Well sealings in 1995: 157*

*Non-community Well Surveys in 1995: 368*

**Insect/Rodent/Nuisance Control:** Assist in the identification of rodent harborage areas in unincorporated areas. Investigate complaints and provide consultation for remediation.

*Inspections/enforcement actions in 1995: 677*

**Food Sanitation:** Assist in reviewing and revising municipal food ordinances. Inspect and license establishments in unincorporated Cook County. Inspection services for food establishments through the Intergovernmental Agreement Program.

*Unincorporated inspections performed in 1995: 823*

*Unincorporated licenses issued in 1995: 243*

*Intergovernmental inspections in 1995: 2,674*

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**Private Sewage Disposal Systems:** Approve plans for systems. Investigate and enforce regulations involving malfunctioning systems and inspect installation of all new or repaired systems.

*Plans approved in 1995: 162  
Installation inspections performed in 1995: 94*

**Swimming Pools:** Inspect all public swimming pools for licensure by the Illinois Department of Public Health. Investigate operational complaints. Review plans for private swimming pools in unincorporated areas in conjunction with the Cook County Building and Zoning Department.

*Public pool inspections performed in 1995: 1,226  
Private pool plans approved in 1995: 36*

**Well & Septic System Evaluations:** Evaluate systems for lending institutions involved in the financing of residential homes.

*Inspections performed in 1995: 166*

**Tanning Facilities:** Inspect all tanning facilities in suburban Cook County for state licensure and regulatory compliance.

*Inspections performed in 1995: 314*

**Other Permits/Licensure:** Inspect and license motels and trailer parks in unincorporated Cook County. Inspect septic waste hauler vehicles and issue permits for septic tank cleaning and waste hauling.

*Mobile home parks - licenses issued in 1995: 37*

*Motels - licenses issued in 1995: 11*

*Septic tank cleaning - permits issued in 1995: 57*

For more information on Environmental Health Services, please call 708-445-2470.

# Community-Based Services

## **Public Health Nursing Home Visits:**

Nurses make home visits to follow-up on persons with communicable diseases, enroll mothers and babies in case management programs, provide support and education for families with high risk infants as well as to assess health conditions as a result of lead poisoning.

*Home visits in 1995: 20,677*

**Health Education Services:** Assistance in the development or identification of health curricula for all grade levels. Age appropriate presentations available to

suburban schools and community groups on a variety of health issues including HIV and AIDS, sexual decision making, family planning and STDs. Community outreach to link individuals with services. Development of health education materials. Call 708-445-2520.

*Group presentation attendance in 1995: 17,086*

*Outreach contacts in 1995: 26,338*

*Materials distributed in 1995: 155,046*

**Dental:** Dental sealants to protect teeth from decay are available to children through participating schools. Call 708-445-2565.

*Dental sealants applied in 1995: 5,800*

**Lead Poisoning:** Investigates lead poisoning cases to assure proper medical care and to attempt to identify and eliminate potential sources of contamination. Call 708-445-2530.

*Investigations performed in 1995: 174*

**Child Safety Seat Program:** Teach safe methods of child restraint in cars and offer reduced prices on child safety seats. Call 708-445-2534.

*Class enrollment in 1995: 702*

*Number of seats sold in 1995: 911  
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**Teen Pregnancy Initiatives:** Work with teen parents on social, educational and personal problems in an effort to build parenting skills and delay subsequent pregnancies.  
*1995 Caseload: 42*

**Communicable Disease Control:** Monitor and control more than 60 reportable communicable diseases. Epidemiological analyses performed to prevent disease incidence and outbreak throughout the suburban area. Foreign travel information is available. Call 708-445-2460. Select reported and investigated diseases in 1995:

AIDS:	195	Hepatitis B:	
Chlamydia:	2,049	Acute:	46
E. coli O157:H7:	17	Carriers:	223
Foodborne Illness		Measles:	1
Complaints:	464	Pertussis:	15
Giardia:	260	Salmonella:	371
Gonorrhea:	1,383	Syphilis:	
Hepatitis A:	83	Early:	166
		Congenital:	38

**Vision and Hearing Screening:** Provide vision and hearing screenings in parochial and private schools and day care centers. Referrals provided. Call 708-445-2570.  
*Screenings in 1995: 33,631*

**Vital Statistics:** Birth and death registration district for most of suburban Cook County. Issue certified copies.  
*Birth certificates filed in 1995: 25,494*  
*Death certificates filed in 1995: 13,949*




#### **Case Management Programs:**

**Healthy Moms/Healthy Kids:** Link indigent pregnant women and children 0 - 5 years with needed health and social services. Call 1-800-884-6667.  
*Clients enrolled in 1995: 23,800*

**STD Case Management:** Assist individuals with repeated STDs in accessing care, building self-esteem and eliminating risk factors. Call 708-445-2445.  
*Clients enrolled in 1995: 72*

**Ryan White Case Management:** Link HIV/AIDS infected individuals with appropriate medical and social services. Call 708-445-2530.  
*Average monthly caseload in 1995: 135*

## Clinical Services

- \$ - Financial Eligibility Requirements
-  - Appointment Needed
-  - Call Nearest Office for Dates, Times and Locations of Services or to Schedule an Appointment
-  - Walk-in, No Appointment Needed

**Adult Health:** Services include health risk assessment, physical examination, blood pressure, cholesterol, diabetes anemia, urinalysis and tuberculosis testing, and pap smears. Referrals made.

\$   *Client contacts in 1995: 1,037*

**Dental:** Dental services are available for persons ages three and older. Examinations, cleanings, topical fluoride applications, fillings, extractions and simple chairside denture repairs.

\$   *Client contacts in 1995: 16,421*

**Family Planning:** Health risk assessment and physical examination. Education in birth control methods, screening tests for cervical cancer, anemia and sexually transmitted diseases. Provision of a suitable method of birth control.

\$   *Client contacts in 1995: 14,977*

**Immunizations:** Appropriate immunizations are given to people of all ages for measles, mumps, rubella, diphtheria, pertussis, hepatitis B, tetanus, haemophilus influenza b, influenza and polio.

Free   *Client contacts in 1995: 18,649*

**HIV/AIDS:** Anonymous and confidential HIV antibody counseling and testing.

Free  Call 708-445-AIDS  
*Client contacts in 1995: 3,785*

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**Maternal Health:** Prenatal care including health supervision; screening tests, including HIV; nutrition counseling; and education.



*Client contacts in 1995: 19,800*

**Pediatric Primary Care:** Physical examinations, lead and anemia testing, immunizations, nutrition counseling and developmental assessment for infants and children up to five years of age. Parenting education provided. School physicals provided for eligible school aged children.



*Client contacts in 1995: 4,136*

**Primary Care:** Low cost medical care available through participating physicians. In the west suburbs, additional services available in cooperation with Loyola University Medical Center. Immunizations and pap smears provided.

\$  Call 708-445-2530 *Client contacts in 1995: 1,104*

**Pregnancy Testing:** Pregnancy testing, referrals to family planning, crisis intervention and prenatal services.



*Client contacts in 1995: 3,988*

**Refugee Health Screening:** Physical examination including immunizations; dental screening; and tests and treatment for parasites, hepatitis B, urinalysis and tuberculosis.

 Call 708-445-2530

*Client contacts in 1995: 506*


**Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STD):** Diagnosis and treatment for STDs including syphilis, gonorrhea, chlamydia, warts, and others. HIV testing also available. Confidentiality is maintained.

Free  

*Client contacts in 1995: 5,990*

**WIC (Women, Infants and Children) Program:**

Federally funded food supplement program for pregnant women, infants and children. Nutritional counseling, breastfeeding education and food coupon distribution.

\$  Call 708-445-2500

*Client contacts in 1995: 78,287*

**Wellness on Wheels (WOW) Van:** Mobile adult health clinics held at community locations to provide physical examinations for adults. Makes joint visits with Cook County Hospital's Mammography Unit. Sponsoring organizations always needed.

\$  Call 708-445-2530 *Client contacts in 1995: 948*