

TETON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

ANNUAL REPORT
JULY 1, 2023 – JUNE 30, 2024



VISION

We envision a safe environment and a healthy community.

MISSION

Our mission is to promote the health and wellbeing of the community through protection and prevention efforts in collaboration with an engaged public and other community partners.



Welcome

NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Dear Community Member,

A few highlights over the past year include the Health Department's focus on providing services related to Community Health and the department's transition from a state/county hybrid department to an all-county model. Of note was the Community Health Outreach program focusing on health equity and access to health care. The Prevention program continues to do important work related to substance use prevention and suicide prevention efforts. The suicide prevention work with Dr. Kent Corso was recognized at the state level and he is now working with counties around the state. The Health Department worked in partnership with St. John's Health and Voices JH to update the Community Health Needs Assessment using the new MAPP 2.0 framework.

Financial summary: Revenue collected helped to offset 72% of our total expenditures for the year. Salaries account for the greatest percentage of the total budget at 72%. We strive for fiscal responsibility by pursuing grant opportunities and collecting fees for a variety of services while adhering to our operating budget.

We thank the Teton District Board of Health and the Board of County Commissioners for their continued support of the work the Health Department staff does to serve our community. We look forward to continuing to serve our community through a health equity lens where opportunities for health are available to all.

Sincerely,

Jodie Pond, MPH, MCES®
Director of Health
Teton County Health Department

PROGRAMS

Look for these symbols throughout this report to identify the programs that contributed to the work on these pages.



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FINANCIALS

The overall revenue, including grants, for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2024, was \$2,819,550.51. This represented an increase of \$803,539.95 from the last Fiscal Year. The majority of the increase was attributed to additional grant revenue from the State paying a portion of four nursing salaries since Teton County became all-county and an increase in fees collected from insurance companies due to the commercialization of the Covid-19 vaccine.

REVENUE

		REVENUE SOURCE
● Grants (detail below)	\$1,911,124.69	68% Revenue generated by grants
● Immunization/Clinic	\$396,420.14	14% Fees paid by clients and third-party insurance billing
● Old Bill's	\$186,320.17	7% Old Bill's Fundraising and other reproductive/sexual health donations
● Environmental Health	\$118,637.50	4% Fees collected for licenses, inspections, plan reviews, radon test kits, ServSafe® classes, and CPO classes
● Miscellaneous Grants	\$68,834.80	2% Includes Community Foundation of Jackson Hole, Problematic Gambling, and Private Donations
● Water Lab	\$67,970.00	2% Fees collected for potable and pool/spa water analysis
● Communicable Disease	\$48,796.16	2% Services paid by State of Wyoming and client fees
● Misc. Revenues	\$16,165.05	< 1% Fees collected for the Sexual and Reproductive Health Clinic and other nursing services
● Adult Health	\$5,282.00	< 1% Service-based fees paid by the State for long-term care assessments

GRANTS

Teton County Health Department received the following grant/contract revenue this Fiscal Year:

Public Health Nursing Salaries	\$414,195.52	22%
Communicable Disease	\$366,277.10	19%
Covid-19 CDC Vaccine.	\$300,237.72	16%
Community Health Worker	\$219,526.86	12%
Prevention	\$199,284.91	10%
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF).	\$119,815.72	6%
Public Health Emergency Preparedness . .	\$104,516.40	6%
Maternal and Child Health (MCH)	\$102,499.99	5%
Covid-19 CDC I/T/T	\$74,770.47	4%
County Health Officer Emergency Preparedness Contract	\$10,000.00	1%

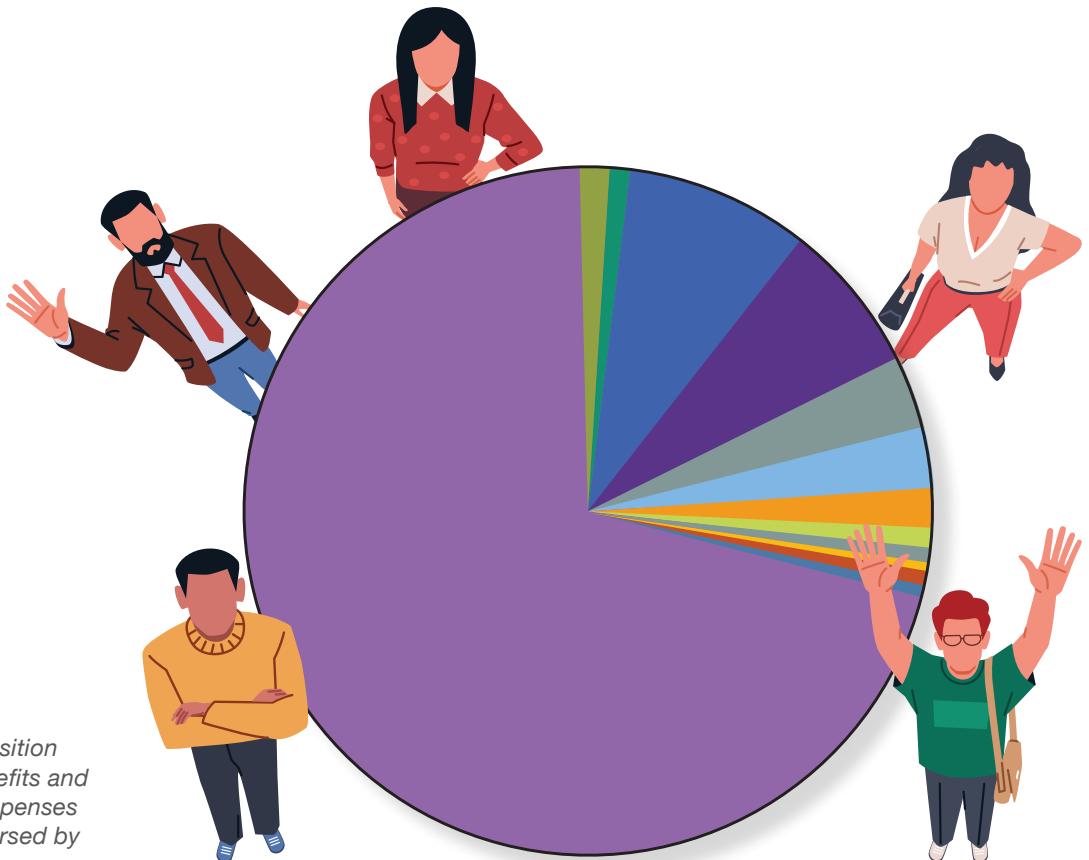
*Several grant payments for FY24 were received in FY25 and are not included in the revenue figures listed above.



The overall expenses for FY 2024 were \$3,943,027.44. This represented an increase of \$821,431.57 from last Fiscal Year. The majority of the increase was reflected in Salaries & Benefits due to the county's Class & Compensation Study and in Nursing Services Expenses due to the first year of commercialization of the Covid vaccine and subsequent need to purchase the vaccine.

EXPENSES

● Salaries & Benefits	\$2,832,700.87	72%
● Nursing Services	\$336,087.10	9%
● Extra Hire (Covid-19)	\$279,763.21	7%
● Grant	\$134,486.80	3%
● Family Planning	\$111,742.48	3%
● Covid-19	\$71,211.96	2%
● All Other	\$57,422.62	1%
● Miscellaneous Grant	\$41,610.41	1%
● Environmental Health	\$32,208.19	1%
● Professional Services	\$16,832.04	<1%
● State Nursing Salary	\$11,434.52	<1%
● Overtime (Regular Staff + Covid-19)	\$9,567.04	<1%
● Advertising	\$7,960.20	<1%



**All grant position salaries/benefits and operating expenses were reimbursed by grant revenue.*



IN THE COMMUNITY

Health Department Staff work to educate youth and adults in the community through classes, special events, educational campaigns, and outreach clinics. Check out some of the places we've been and the projects we've done!

EDUCATION

48 comprehensive sexual health education classes were taught reaching 451 students at Jackson Hole High School (JHHS), Jackson Hole Community School, Family Safety Network, Mountain Academy, and Summit High School.

807 4th – 12th grade students were taught evidence-based drug prevention curricula designed to reduce risk factors and enhance protective factors associated with tobacco, alcohol, marijuana, opioids, and other drug use

35 participants earned a certification at two Certified Pool Operator classes

45 students participated in two Food Protection Manager classes—28 of them passed the training

23 Proctored Food Protection Manager Tests

63 community members received safeTALK (Suicide Alertness for Everyone) training

38 community members received Mental Health First Aid Adult training

15 community members received education at 2 Bloodborne Pathogen classes at Mental Health Recovery Services of Jackson Hole youth and adult Substance Use Treatment sessions

113 servers certified in TiPS (Training for Intervention Procedures) an alcohol safety training



2 sex ed classes at JHHS were instructed entirely in Spanish

educación



Community

The Latina Empowerment Circle 13 women completed the annual 9-week series

The goal of the program is to build connections, share resources, and discuss the challenges facing Latina women in our area. Participants engage in meaningful peer support through discussions on difficult topics such as parenting, mental health, relationships, and more. This program is conducted in partnership with Community Safety Network, Teton Behavior Therapy, and the Teton County Health Department.



OUTREACH CLINICS

74 participants attended four quarterly Saturday walk-in clinic testing events

16 participants at Grand Teton National Park/Jackson Lake Lodge employee STI testing event

392 flu shots were provided at two Senior Flu Clinics at the Senior Center of Jackson Hole

102 flu and Covid-19 vaccines provided at a Kid & Family Clinic

72 children were tested for lead and hemoglobin levels at two screening events

79 flu vaccines provided to uninsured individuals at our Free Flu Clinic

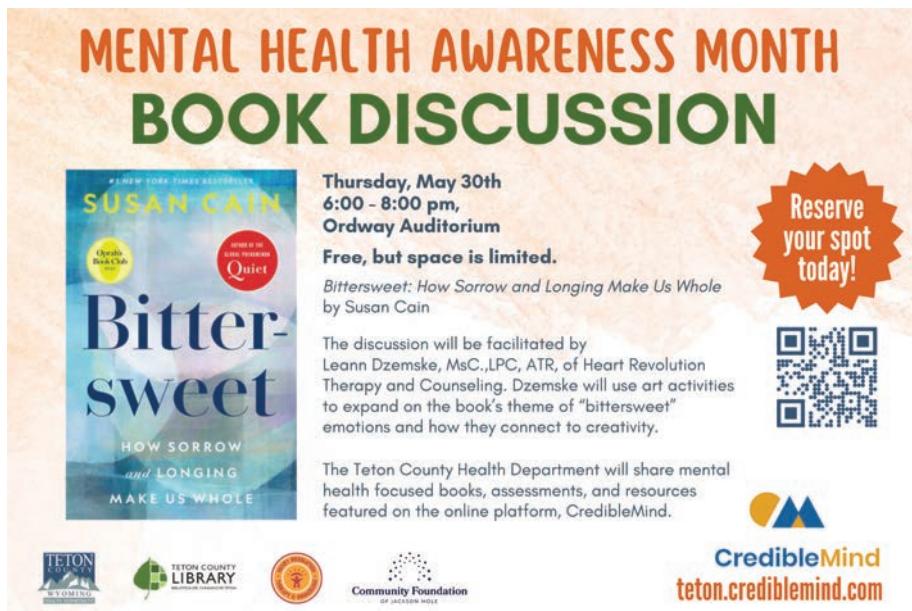
IN THE COMMUNITY

COMMUNITY EVENTS

600 total attendees at two Infant Gear and Clothing Swap events

16 community members with a shared experience had time to connect in a safe and supportive environment at a Survivors of Suicide Loss Day of Remembrance Celebration of Life event

74 pounds of expired and unused prescription drugs collected and disposed of safely at two Drug Take Back Days



**MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH
BOOK DISCUSSION**

SUSAN CAIN
Bitter-sweet
HOW SORROW AND LONGING MAKE US WHOLE

Thursday, May 30th
6:00 - 8:00 pm,
Ordway Auditorium

Free, but space is limited.

Bittersweet: How Sorrow and Longing Make Us Whole by Susan Cain

The discussion will be facilitated by Leann Dzemske, MsC., LPC, ATR, of Heart Revolution Therapy and Counseling. Dzemske will use art activities to expand on the book's theme of "bittersweet" emotions and how they connect to creativity.

The Teton County Health Department will share mental health focused books, assessments, and resources featured on the online platform, CredibleMind.

Reserve your spot today!

TETON COUNTY LIBRARY **Community Foundation of Jackson Hole**

CredibleMind teton.crediblemind.com

Bittersweet Book Club: How Sorrow and Longing Make Us Whole; A Discussion for Mental Health Awareness Month. In collaboration with the Teton County Library, this book discussion explored the theme of "bittersweet" and how it fits into the spectrum of human emotion. The discussion was facilitated by art therapist Leann Dzemske, MsC., LPC, ATR. The book club had 13 participants and 12 were on the waitlist.



Community



COMMUNITY UNITY FOR SUICIDE PREVENTION (CUSP) WALK

First Annual Community Unity for Suicide Prevention (CUSP) Walk. Approximately 150 people connected and walked around William T. McIntosh Stadium track in remembrance of a loved one lost to suicide, for a loved one's suicide attempt, or to support open conversations surrounding mental health and reduce stigma.



COMMUNITY UNITY FOR SUICIDE PREVENTION WALK

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 23RD, 10:00AM-12:00PM
at the Teton County School District William T. McIntosh Stadium Track

Together, let's walk for suicide prevention, in remembrance of a loved one lost to suicide, or for a loved one's suicide attempt. Hope walks in any distance or ability, activities available for all!



**JOIN US FOR FREE FOOD, MUSIC, MENTAL
HEALTH RESOURCES, AND CONNECTION!**

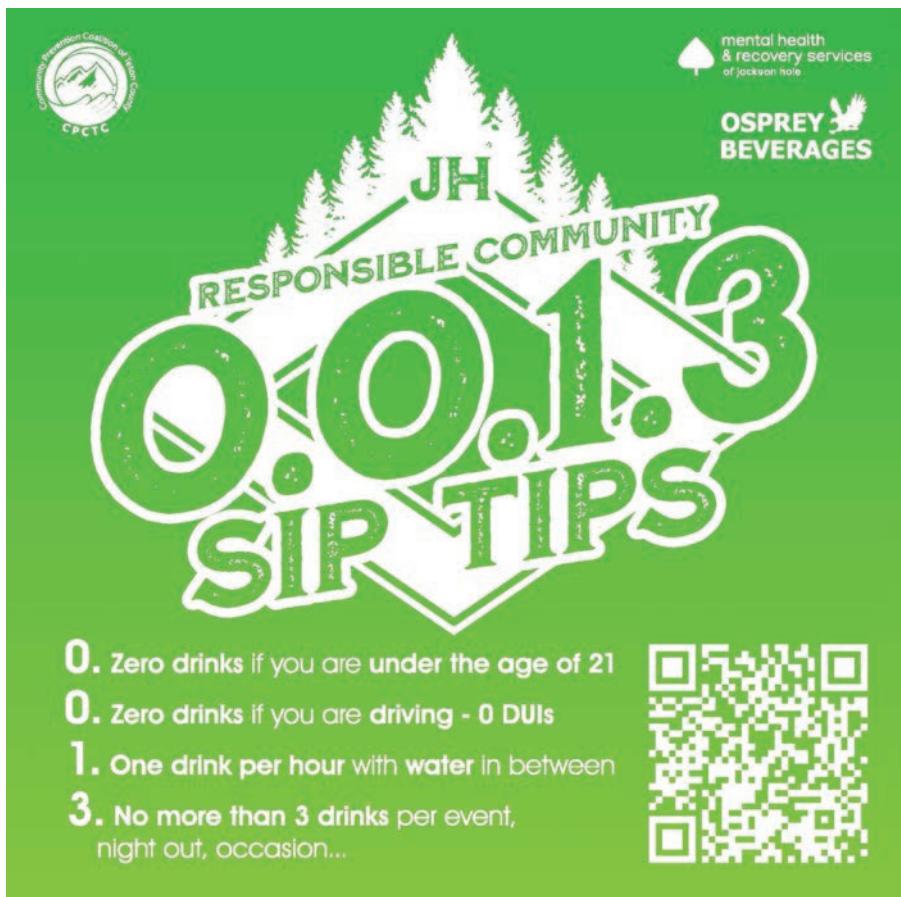


IN THE COMMUNITY

HEALTH CAMPAIGNS

JH Responsible Sip Tips: 0.0.1.3

A comprehensive media campaign conducted by the Community Prevention Coalition of Teton County (CPCTC) encouraging safe and responsible alcohol consumption by adults, preventing excessive drinking and underage drinking of any amount in Teton County.



**NO
JUDGMENT.
JUST
RESOURCES.**

1-800-GAMBLER
HELP FOR PROBLEM GAMBLING



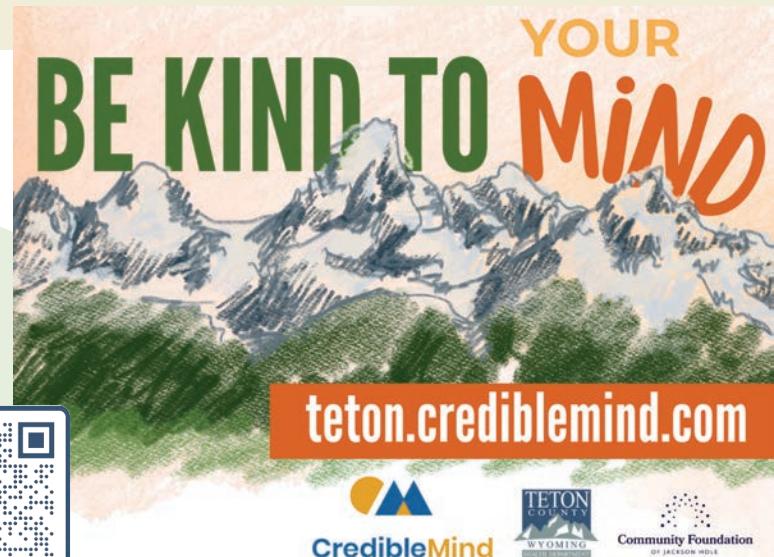
Play it Safe

A multimedia campaign to bring awareness of helpline resources for individuals struggling with gambling addiction.

Community

Be Kind to Your Mind

The Teton County Health Department received grant funding from the Community Foundation of Jackson Hole's Behavioral Health Initiative to support the promotion of the wellbeing platform CredibleMind. This campaign featured outreach and marketing on monthly mental health topics to address the unique mental health challenges of each season and worked to destigmatize seeking resources and help for mental health.



CONECTA CON CHOW (COMMUNITY HEALTH OUTREACH WORKERS)

The weekly drop-in program at Teton County Library provides community members a resource to discuss medical financial applications and community resource navigation with a trained, bilingual Community Health Worker.

208 clients were provided assistance with applications to Wyoming Medicaid, St. John's Health Foundation, Merck, and others through the Conecta con CHOW program.



OUTBREAKS

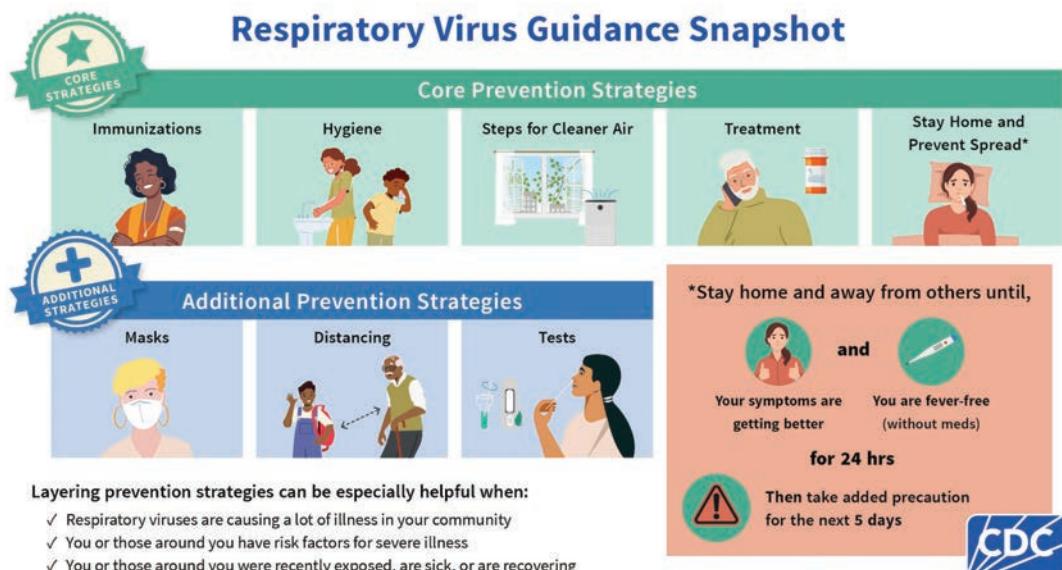
The Health Department strives to have a quick response to biological or chemical events, infectious disease outbreaks, and natural disasters to prevent and mitigate illness and injuries in the Teton County community. Check out what occurred below.

COVID-19 RESPONSE

We continued to move away from the emergency phase of the Covid-19 response and into the maintenance phase. TCHD combined its vaccine clinics to offer both seasonal vaccines (Covid-19 and flu) at the same location.

RESPIRATORY VIRUS GUIDANCE

The CDC provided overall guidance for all respiratory illnesses including, Covid-19, flu, respiratory syncytial virus (RSV), and more. This helps to streamline health messaging for the community on ways to protect themselves and family members from these types of illnesses.



COMMERCIALIZATION OF THE COVID-19 VACCINE

This meant that the Covid-19 vaccines were no longer free for everyone. Instead, insurance companies were billed for the vaccines. The federal government established a Bridge program to provide free Covid-19 vaccines for individuals who were uninsured or underinsured and 19 years old or older. The Vaccines for Children (VFC) program provided free Covid-19 vaccines for uninsured or underinsured individuals aged 18 years or younger.

COVID-19 HOTLINE

482 calls

COVID-19 RESPONSE STAFF

17 part-time employees

1 contract employee

2 full-time staff



COVID-19 VACCINATIONS

1,648 Covid-19 vaccines were administered from July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024

210 to youth ages 6 months – 18 years

1,438 to adults age 19 and up

6 outreach events where 129 seasonal vaccines (Covid-19 and Flu) were given.

outbreaks

OTHER RESPONSES

TUBERCULOSIS TESTS

66 given

TCHD offers tuberculosis (TB) testing and risk assessments to the community. TB testing is required for school, employment, and immigration among other reasons. TCHD provides follow-up and treatment including direct observed therapy for those who have a positive test. TCHD collaborates with local providers to prescribe TB medication and works with the State's TB program to secure funding for testing, medication, chest x-rays, and other treatment resources.

RABIES

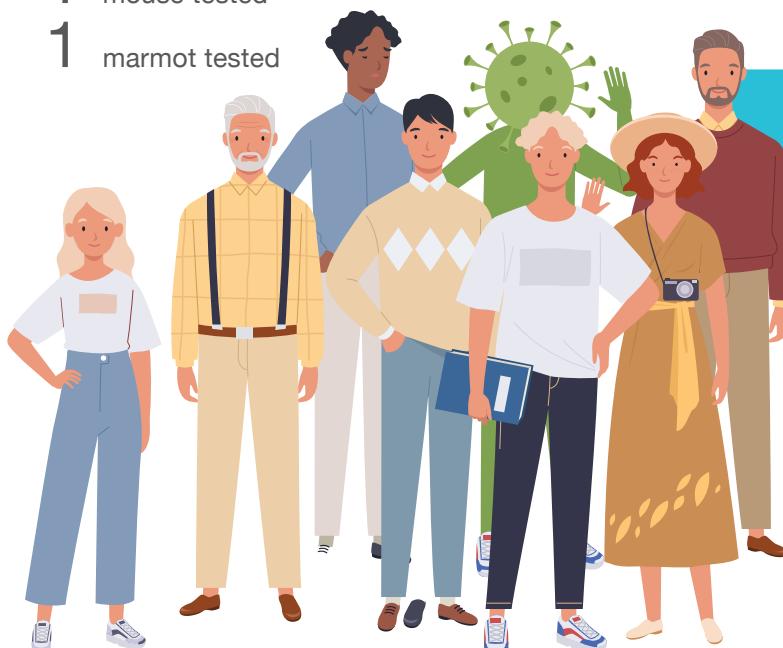
79 rabies concern calls

2 rabies detections in bats

61 bats tested

1 mouse tested

1 marmot tested



INVESTIGATION OF A MULTI-PATHOGEN OUTBREAK

associated with unpasteurized milk consumption

7 individuals met a case definition

5 cases lived in Teton County

2 lived in Lincoln County

2 cases required hospitalization

1 was diagnosed with Hemolytic Uremic Syndrome (HUS) and required dialysis

The most likely cause of this outbreak was consumption of unpasteurized milk. TCHD provided stool tests to the affected families and sent them to Wyoming's Public Health Laboratory to ensure the cases could return to school. The Environmental Health Division assisted the Wyoming Department of Health with different aspects of the epidemiological investigation.

The Wyoming Food Freedom Act allows for the sale of unpasteurized goods in Wyoming to an informed end consumer which is defined as "a person who is the last person to purchase any product, who does not resell the product and who has been informed that the product is not licensed, regulated, or inspected."

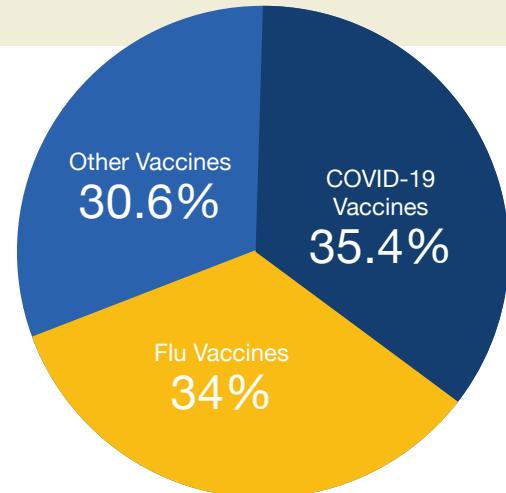


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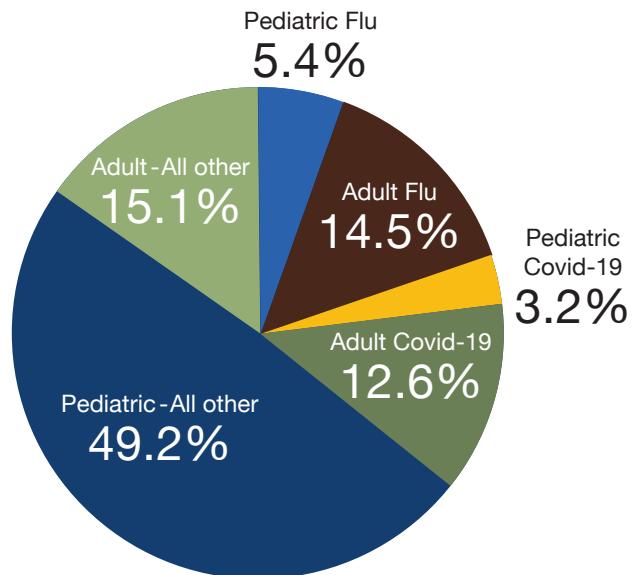
The Health Department staff works to ensure all Teton County community members are able to access services and care. See the details on what the Health Department accomplished this fiscal year.

IMMUNIZATIONS PROGRAM

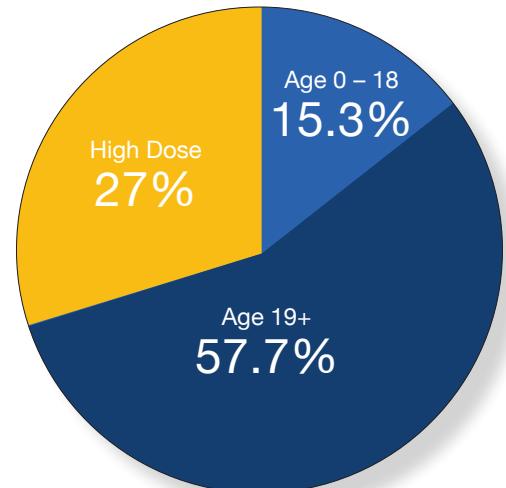
IMMUNIZATIONS	
Total Vaccines	4,659
COVID-19 Vaccines	1,648
Flu Vaccines	1,584
Other Vaccines	1,427



FREE VACCINES FOR UN- AND UNDERINSURED INDIVIDUALS	
Total Vaccines	1,529
Pediatric Flu	83
Adult Flu	222
Pediatric Covid-19	49
Adult Covid-19	192
Pediatric - All others	752
Adult - All others	231



FLU VACCINES	
Total Vaccines	1,584
Age 0 - 18	242
Age 19 +	914
High-Dose Age 65+	428



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BACK TO SCHOOL IMMUNIZATIONS

In coordination with Teton County School District #1, TCHD gave a total of 106 school-required vaccines and served 42 students/families during two walk-in clinics.

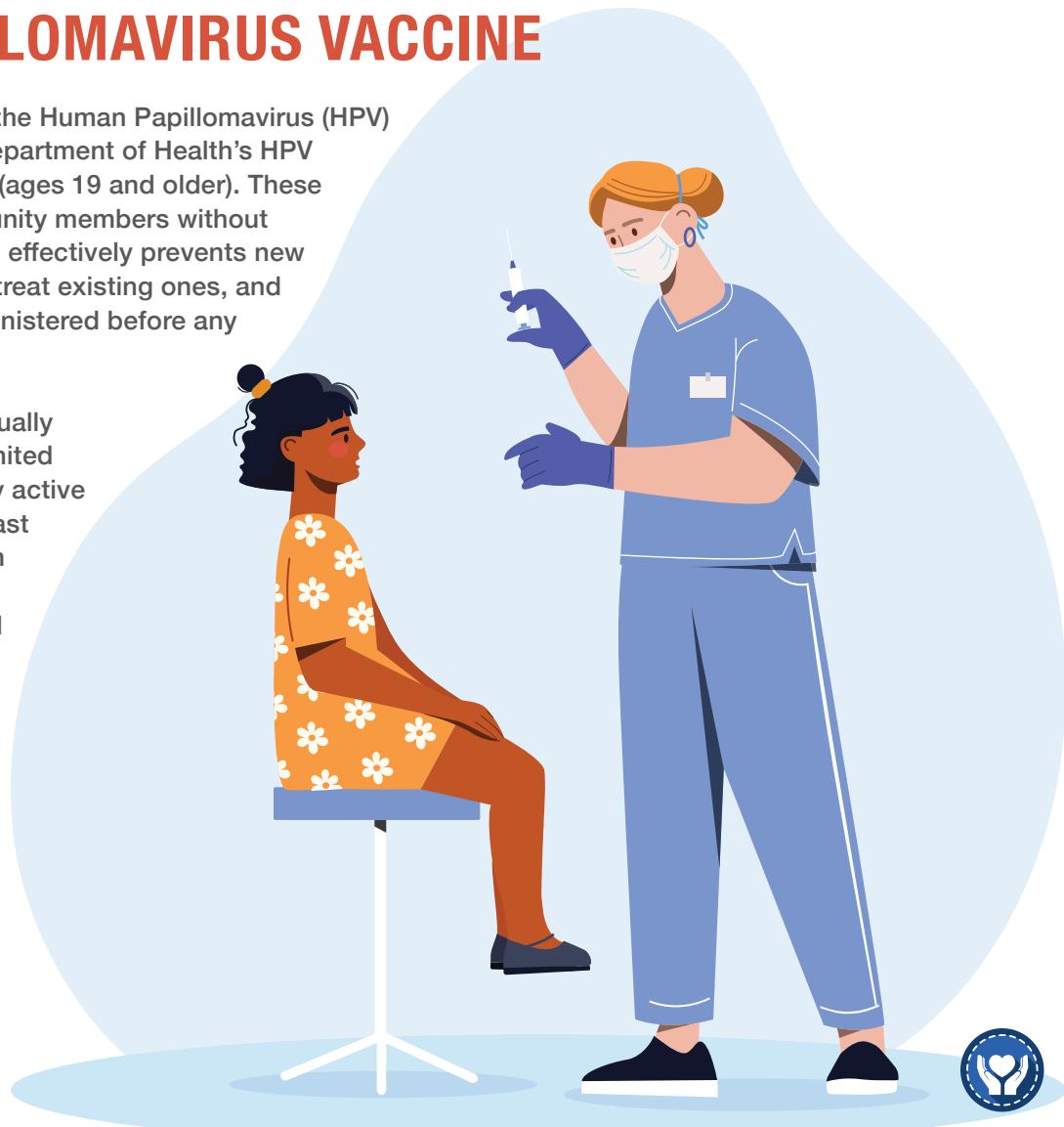
Vaccines are required for school attendance for all children ages 18 and younger. Required vaccines are available through the federal Vaccines For Children (VFC) program for the uninsured and Wyoming's Vaccinates Important People (WYVIP) program for the insured. TCHD collaborates with Teton County School District Nurses to ensure that all students meet vaccination requirements, allowing them to remain in school.

HUMAN PAPILLOMAVIRUS VACCINE

TCHD received 100 doses of the Human Papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine from the Wyoming Department of Health's HPV initiative for uninsured adults (ages 19 and older). These doses are available to community members without health insurance. The vaccine effectively prevents new HPV infections, but does not treat existing ones, and it is most effective when administered before any exposure to the virus.

HPV is the most common sexually transmitted infection in the United States, with nearly all sexually active people likely to contract at least one form of it at some point in their lives. Most people never know they have been infected and may unknowingly spread the virus to a partner. HPV is associated with the following forms of cancer:

- Cervical
- Vulvar
- Vaginal
- Penile
- Anal
- Oral



YEAR IN REVIEW



REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH PROGRAM

“During my 10 years working with the Teton County Sexual & Reproductive Health Clinic, I’ve been able to care for the heart of our community. We provide essential preventative care for men and women who have been a part of the Jackson community for decades. This clinic has made contraception, cancer screenings, health education, and sexual health treatment available to both uninsured and underinsured individuals.”

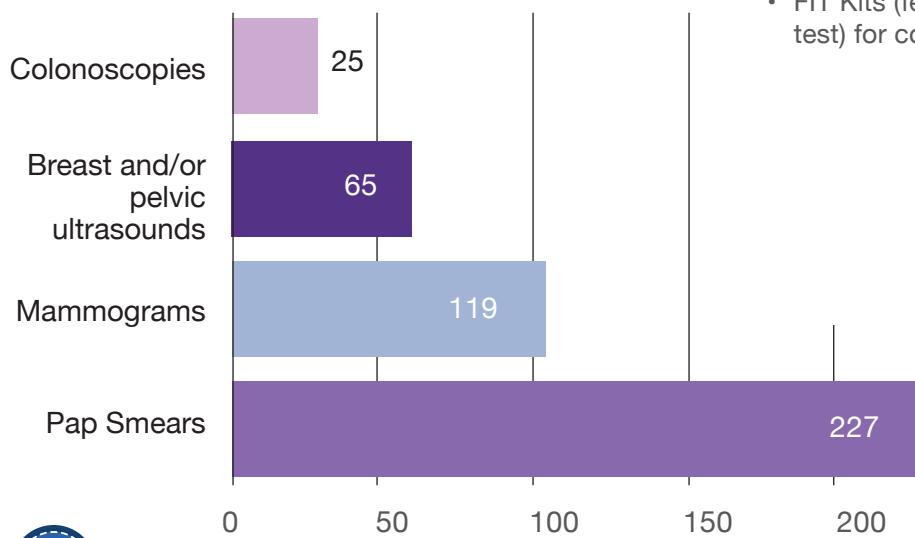
— Layne Lash, FNP

1,200 total appointments

LONG-ACTING REMOVABLE CONTRACEPTIVES (LARCS) PLACED

46 IUDs | 42 implants

436 CANCER PREVENTION SCREENINGS & REFERRALS



PREGNANCY

414 pregnancy tests completed by Reproductive Health, Sexual Health, and Maternal and Child Health nurses

NEW SERVICES

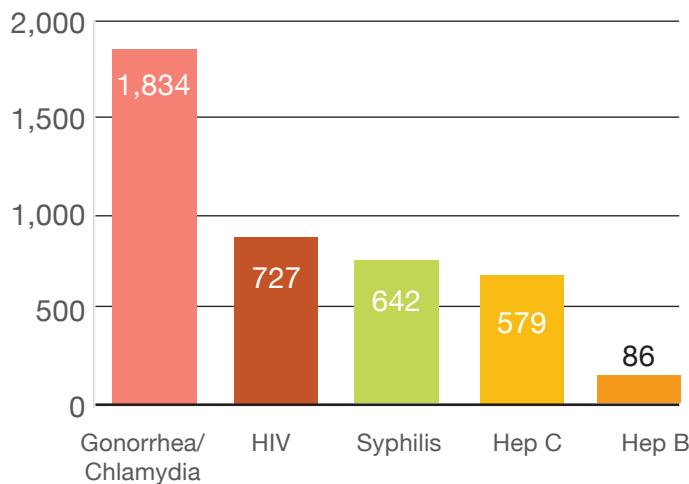
- Walk-in Clinics
- Comprehensive Pelvic Ultrasounds
- FIT Kits (fecal immunochemical test) for colon cancer screening



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SEXUAL HEALTH PROGRAM

3,868 SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED INFECTION (STI) TESTS



691 STI appointments through Counseling & Testing and Maternal & Child Health programs.



78 treatments provided for reportable infections (gonorrhea, syphilis, chlamydia, latent TB)

21 HIV Case Management Clients

20 PrEP Case Management Clients



YEAR IN REVIEW

MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH PROGRAM (MCH)

In July 2023, the MCH program began offering free breastfeeding classes to help expecting parents learn about infant feeding and local support options.

Classes are taught once a month and alternate between English and Spanish. Since July 2023, 33 pregnant individuals have benefitted from these classes!

45 Individual Lactation Consultation Visits

110 Home Visits for Wyoming Hand-in-Hand Clients

185 County Birth Referrals for infants born at St. John's Health or Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center who are Teton County residents

22 Children's Special Health appointments: A care coordination program that helps families of children with special health care needs schedule doctors appointments, Medicaid appointments, assistance with travel appointments, and more.



10 clients were loaned a hospital grade breast pump

19 clients with Medicaid were provided a personal-use breast pump

48 prenatal lab visits were completed saving about \$450 per test

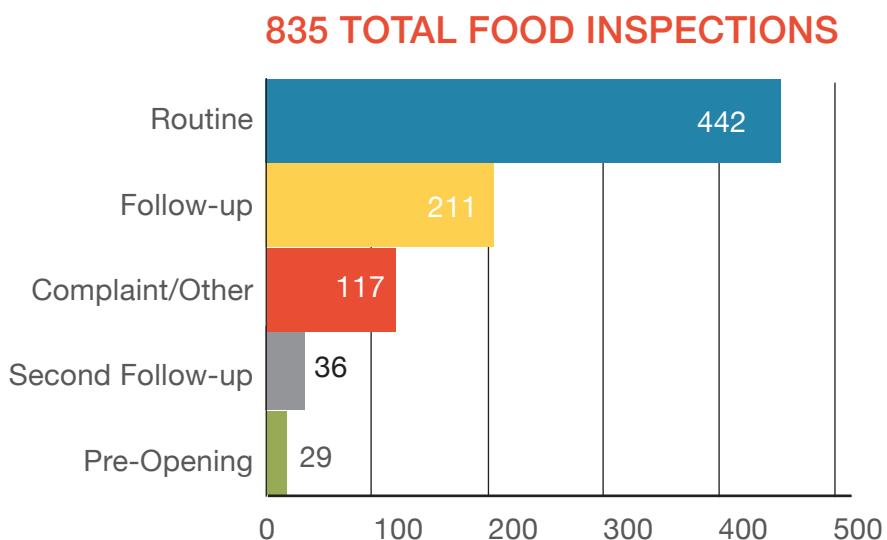
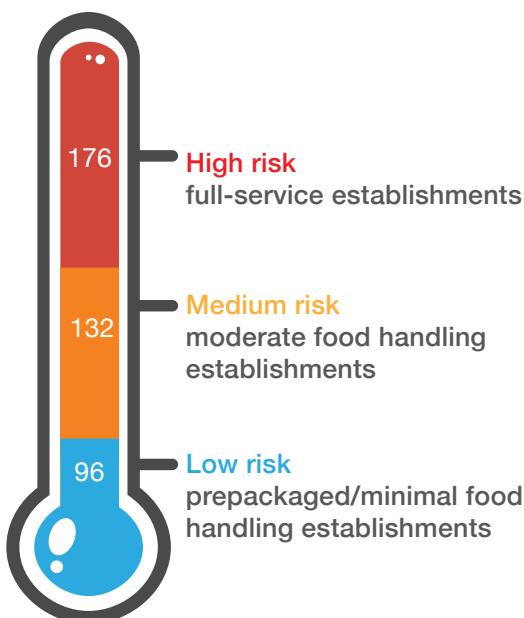


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ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

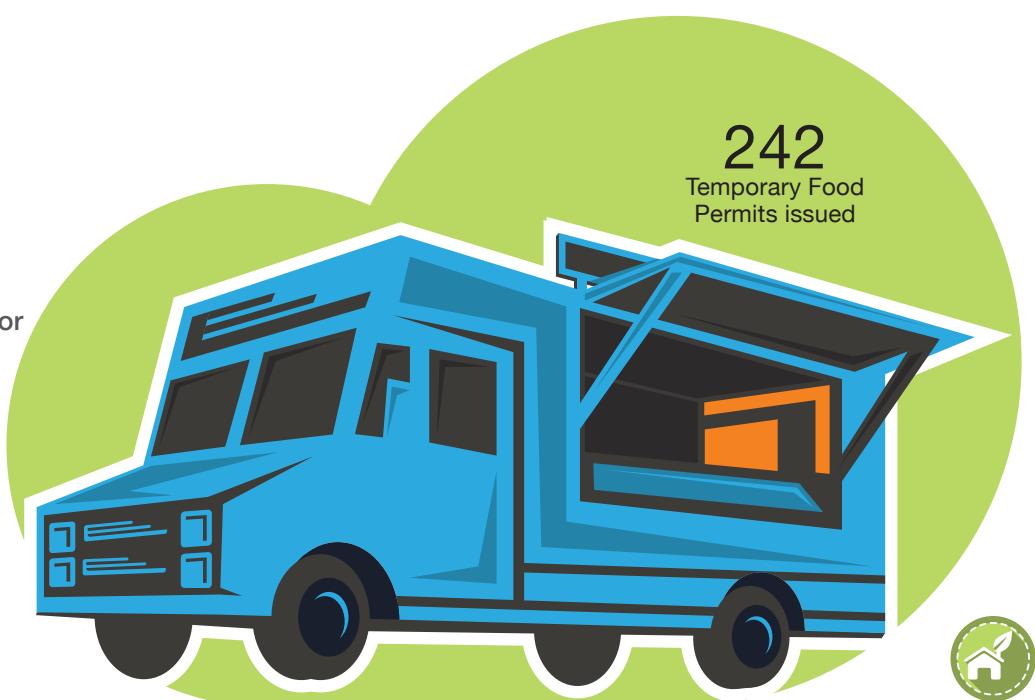
FOOD SERVICE INSPECTION PROGRAM

Teton County has 406 Food Licenses. Inspections are conducted based on risk ratings:



Inspections

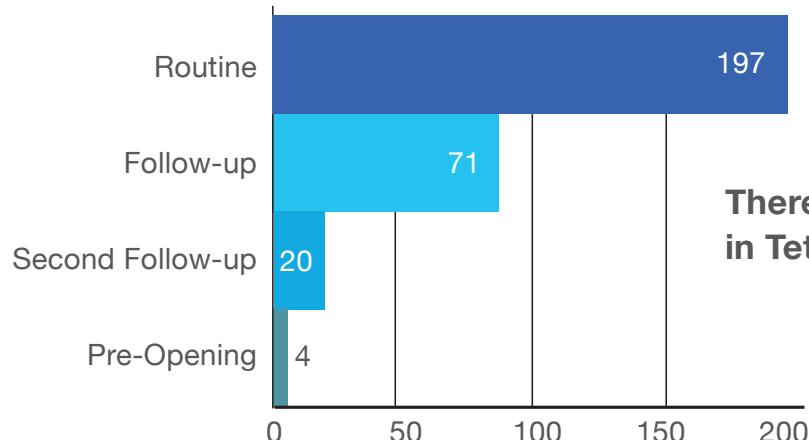
Scan the QR code to view the most recent inspection reports for establishments in Teton County.



YEAR IN REVIEW

POOL/SPA INSPECTION PROGRAM

292 POOLS & SPAS INSPECTIONS



There are 141 pools and spas in Teton County

Environmental Health reviews facility construction plans to ensure code compliance prior to construction

19 Food Plan Reviews completed

12 Pool/Spa Plan Reviews were completed

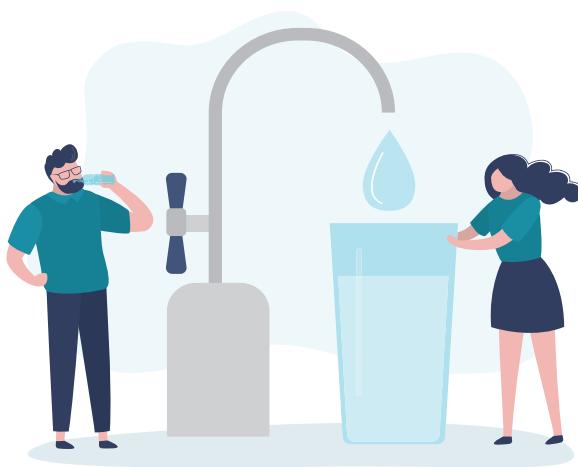
WATER TESTING PROGRAM

DRINKING WATER

2,394 samples

13 tested positive for *E.coli*

111 tested positive for Total Coliform



POOL & SPA

1,180 pool/spa water samples

49 exceeded the bacteria threshold limit

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BODY ART ESTABLISHMENT INSPECTIONS PROGRAM

5 body art establishments

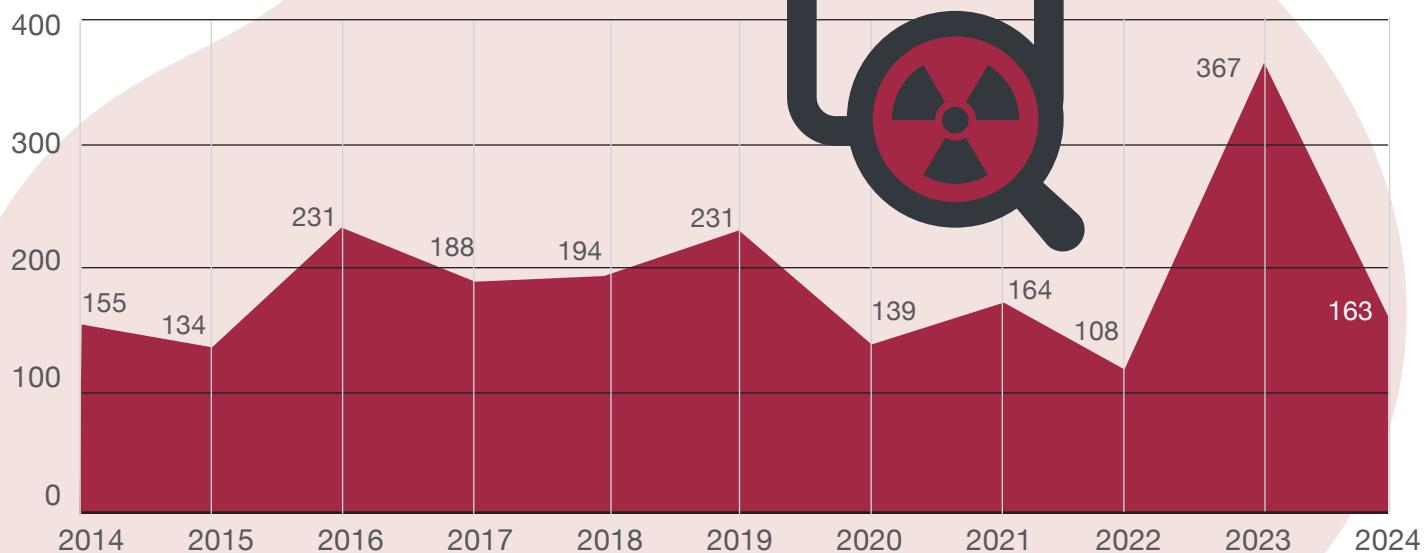
8 practitioners in Teton County



RADON PROGRAM

TCHD sells Short Term Radon Test Kits for \$10. These test kits test a span of 3 - 7 days. When they are returned, results are reported back to the Environmental Health Division.

RADON KIT DISTRIBUTION



163 test kits were distributed

124 results were recorded back

33.1% were above the EPA recommended level of 4 pCL



HEALTHY TETON COUNTY (HTC)



The HTC initiative began in 2013 with the partnership of St. John's Health and Teton County Health Department. This year Voices JH joined the initiative.

COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT (CHNA)

Every three years HTC publishes a Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA). This was the fourth time this comprehensive assessment was published for the community.

Find the full report at HeathyTetonCounty.org or scan the QR code.



2024 CATEGORIES AND THEMES

HEALTH BEHAVIORS AND HEALTH OUTCOMES

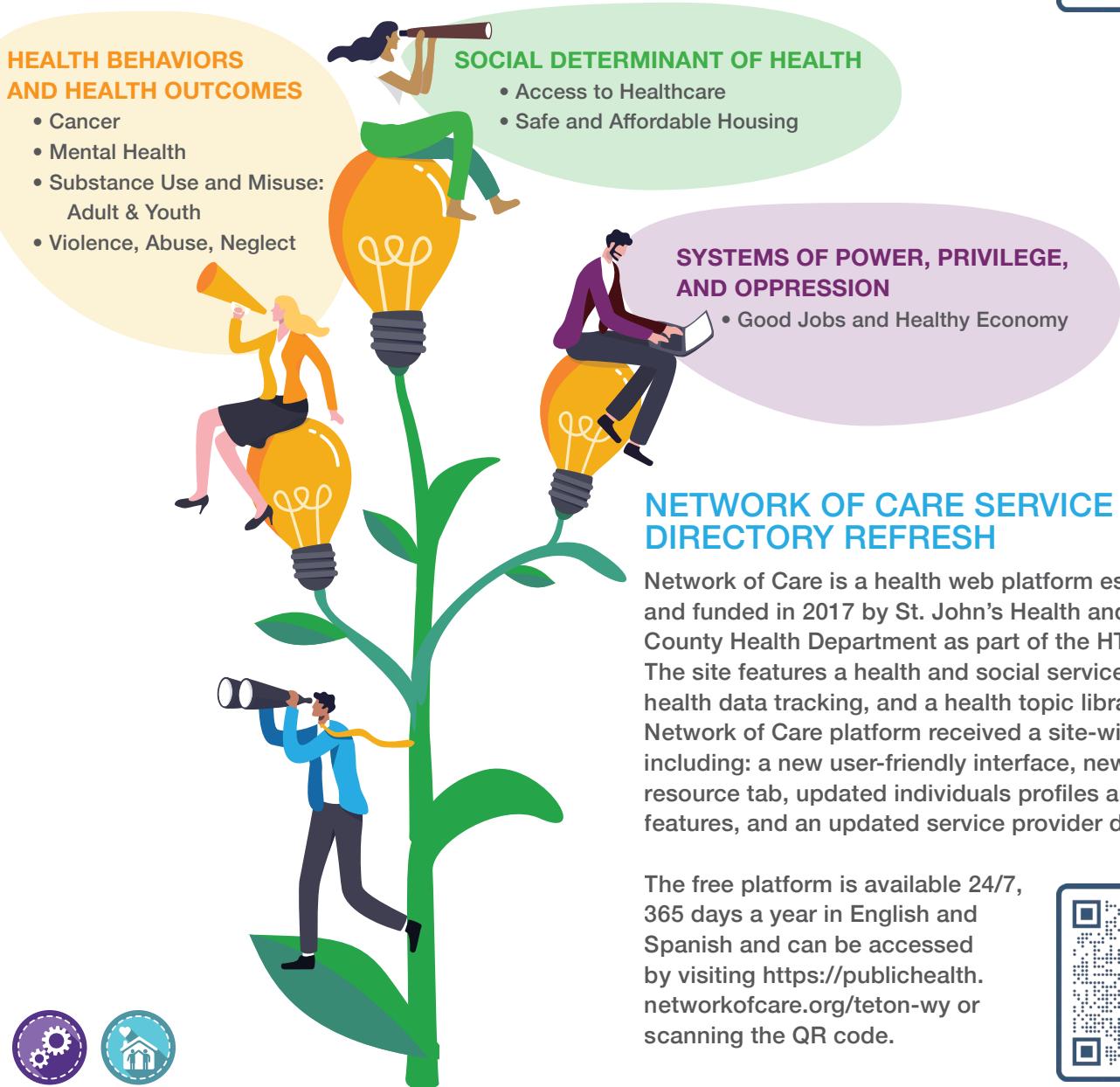
- Cancer
- Mental Health
- Substance Use and Misuse: Adult & Youth
- Violence, Abuse, Neglect

SOCIAL DETERMINANT OF HEALTH

- Access to Healthcare
- Safe and Affordable Housing

SYSTEMS OF POWER, PRIVILEGE, AND OPPRESSION

- Good Jobs and Healthy Economy



NETWORK OF CARE SERVICE DIRECTORY REFRESH

Network of Care is a health web platform established and funded in 2017 by St. John's Health and Teton County Health Department as part of the HTC Initiative. The site features a health and social services directory, health data tracking, and a health topic library. The Network of Care platform received a site-wide refresh including: a new user-friendly interface, new community resource tab, updated individuals profiles and sharing features, and an updated service provider directory.

The free platform is available 24/7, 365 days a year in English and Spanish and can be accessed by visiting <https://publichealth.networkofcare.org/teton-wy> or scanning the QR code.



HEALTH DEPARTMENT STAFF

July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024

The following list includes regular employees and their titles as of June 30, 2024.

KEY
Started employment ►
Promoted ‡
Term Ended ◊
Ended employment •

ADMINISTRATION

Jodie Pond, MPH, MCHES®,
Director of Health

Lesli Baffoni,
Accounting Specialist ►

Zeenie Scholz,
Administrative Coordinator

Bobbie Wemple,
Accounting Specialist ► •

COMMUNITY HEALTH OUTREACH

McKinnley Robinson,
Public Health Coordinator

Katia Ryan,
Public Health Assistant ►

Odalis Avila,
Public Health Assistant

Stuart Agnew,
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Ana Flores,
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Victor Hernandez,
Public Health Assistant •

COMMUNITY PREVENTION

Beverly Shore, MS, CPS,
Public Health Coordinator

Frances Wachs, MSW,
Public Health Specialist

COVID-19 RESPONSE

Elissa Gramling, NAEMT,
Public Health Coordinator

Mike Maurer,
Public Health Specialist

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

Sara Budge, REHS,
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Brody Wallace, REHS,
Environmental Health Specialist

Cassie Williams, REHS,
Environmental Health Specialist

Kat Bratz,
Administrative Assistant, Senior •

Anna Gidday, MS,
Environmental Health Specialist •

PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE

Rachael Wheeler, MPH,
Public Health Coordinator

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING

Jhala French, RN,
Public Health Nurse Manager ‡

Communicable Disease & Immunization Program

Maurene Gustafson, RN,
Public Health Nurse Program
Coordinator ‡

Kely Mares,
Medical Administrative Assistant

Elisabet Telecher,
Interpreter ►

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Public Health Nurse ► •

Maternal & Child Health Program

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Public Health Nurse Program
Coordinator

Molly Eagar, BSN, RN,
Public Health Nurse ►

Shelley Rubrecht,
Interpreter

Betsy Hawkins, MSN, RN,
Public Health Nurse ► •

Reproductive Health Program

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Public Health Nurse Program
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Hannah Kennedy, RN,
Public Health Nurse

Marilu Hernandez,
Medical Administrative Assistant

Sexual Health Program

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Public Health Nurse Program
Coordinator

Marta Iwaseczko, RN,
Public Health Nurse

Yolanda Vazquez Lira,
Interpreter

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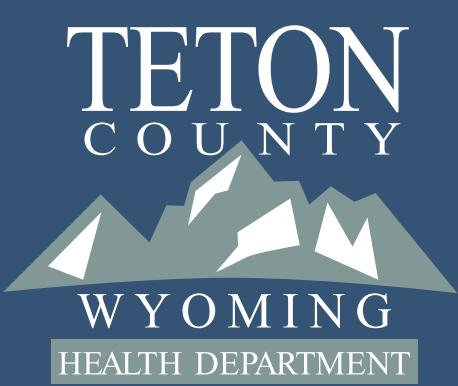
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