



Center for Minority Health Services FY17 Activity Report

The Center for Minority Health Services (CMHS) was created, by statute, as a vehicle for implementing change. It is designed to assess the health concerns of minority populations in Illinois and to assist in the creation and maintenance of culturally sensitive programs. To achieve this goal the Center works within IDPH and with other relevant state and local entities to heighten awareness of minority health issues and services across the state.

Mission

To eliminate health disparities for Illinois' racial and ethnic minorities through capacity building, workforce development, strong health policies, and implementation of culturally and linguistically appropriate programs.

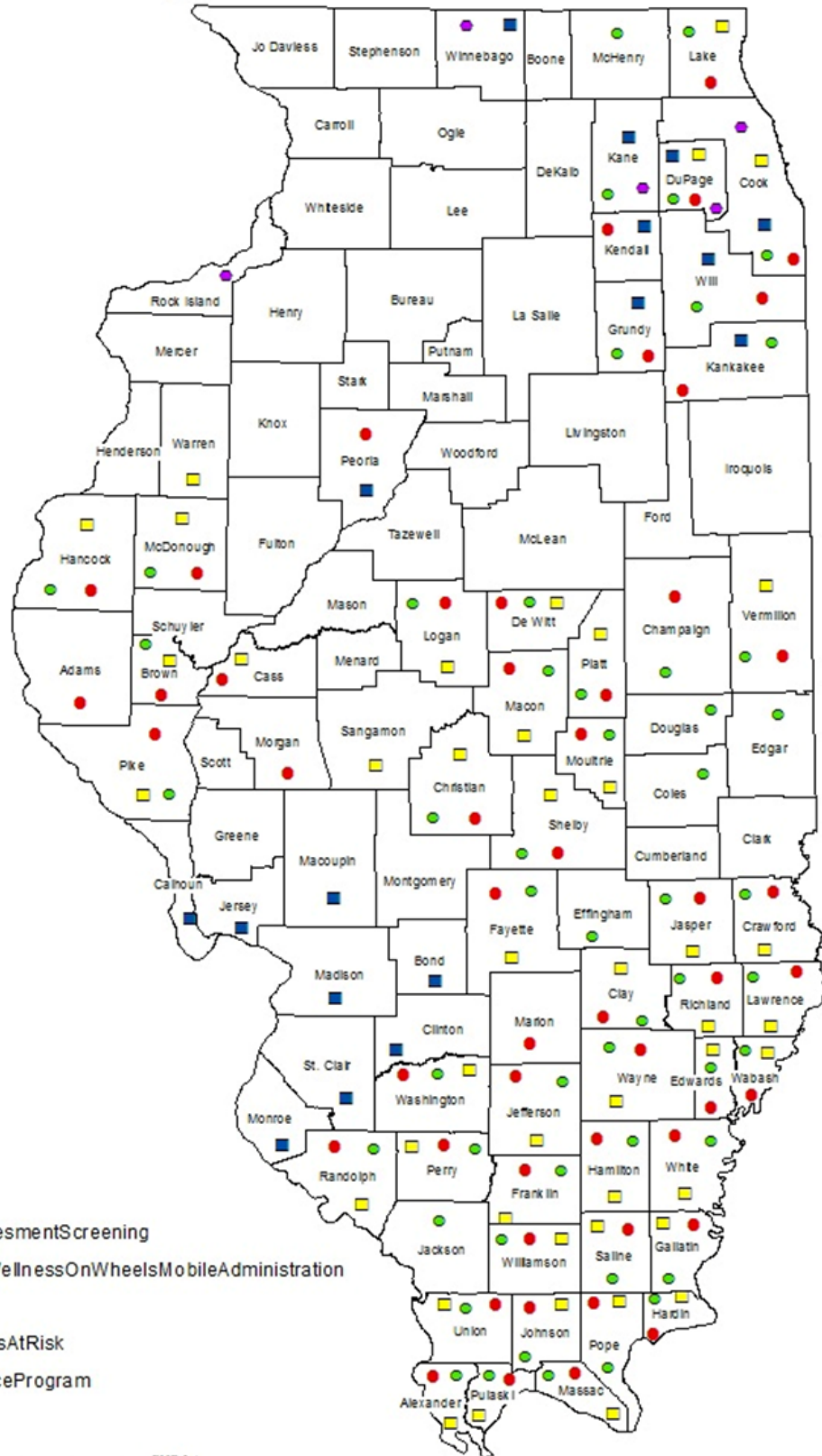
Vision

Optimal health for all of Illinois.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

CMHS works with various stakeholders including local health departments, Federal Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs), social service organizations, community-based programs, faith-based congregations, foundations, and associations throughout the state, to provide outreach, education, access to health care, and other wrap-around services for Illinois' most vulnerable residents. All programs administered with funding from CMHS are culturally and linguistically appropriate for the targeted population. All grantees must implement the National Standards for Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services guidelines (CLAS Standards) in all funded activities. CLAS standards are intended to advance health equity and improve the quality of service, for Illinois' diverse populations.

Map of Areas Served



0 100 200 300 Miles

Source: Center for Minority Health

FEDERAL FUNDED PROGRAMS - \$1,553,057

Minority AIDS Initiative-AIDS/Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) – Budget \$406,000.00

OUTREACH/AWARENESS	PREVENTION/EDUCATION	NEW ENROLLMENT	REENROLLED
88,121	304	84	258

This program provides linkage into ADAP and other drug assistance programs for HIV positive minority individuals who are disproportionately affected by the HIV/AIDS epidemic

through innovative means. By initiating, modifying, or expanding education and outreach, grantees are able to link individuals with unmet medication needs to ADAP services. The program targets low-income racial and ethnic minorities including women, young adults, men of color who have sex with other men, the homeless, uninsured and underinsured individuals, those recently released from correctional institutions, and people with a dual diagnosis of chemical dependency.



Refugee Health Assessment Screening – Budget \$726,444.00

WITHIN 30 DAYS	>30 DAYS BUT <90 DAYS	AFTER 90 DAYS
2,369	915	15

This program is designed to identify individuals with refugee status who have health conditions not observed during or developing after their overseas exam. The program initiates appropriate immunizations, ensures refugees with identified problems are referred to primary and/or specialty care; eliminates barriers to successful resettlement, and protects the health of the community at-large.

Refugee Health Assessment Screening/Other Services – Budget \$420,613.00

TELEPHONE INTERPRETATIONS	ON SITE INTERPRETATIONS	UNKNOWN
978	2054	35

This program provides culturally and linguistically appropriate services that include: health education and promotion, nutrition, interpretation, mental health wellness, and medical case management services. These services complement the initial health screening assessment of newly arriving refugees to the State of Illinois.



GENERAL REVENUE FUNDED PROGRAMS (GRF) - \$1,555,400

Communities of Color Special at Risk Population – Budget \$ 692,000.00

OUTREACH/AWARENESS	PREVENTION/EDUCATION	SPECIAL EVENTS	SCREENINGS
37,251	4,684	126	4,941

This initiative is funded through State of Illinois General Revenue, for HIV prevention, education, testing, risk reduction interventions, and care programs targeting communities of color. The funding supports programs with the capacity to reach special at risk minority populations including but not limited to, men who have sex with men, and individuals who are transgender, homeless, ex-offenders, sex workers, those with a history of mental illness or substance abuse, and other difficult to reach populations. This program supports linkage to other services such as housing, food, medication, transportation, appointment reminders, and employment assistance. These services are necessary to address unique problems that many of these individuals may face, placing them at a greater risk for acquiring HIV disease.

Illinois Hepatitis B Outreach, Awareness, and Education to Immigrants – Budget \$458,400.00

OUTREACH/AWARENESS	PREVENTION/EDUCATION	SPECIAL EVENTS	SCREENINGS
5857	1840	39	236

The main focus of this funding is to provide outreach, awareness, and education to foreign born Asian and African Immigrant and Refugee Communities regarding Hepatitis B and referral and linkage opportunities for screening, vaccination, and treatment services. These specific efforts are necessary because many of these individuals are at a greater risk of contracting Hepatitis B infection. Higher rates of chronic Hepatitis B infections exist particularly among foreign born populations from Asia and Africa.



Increasing Access – Wellness on Wheels – Budget \$215,000.00

OUTREACH/AWARENESS	PREVENTION/EDUCATION	SPECIAL EVENTS	SCREENINGS
55081	55081	51	5026

This initiative provides preventative health screenings that occur in an innovative and culturally and linguistically appropriate manner throughout the medical underserved areas of Illinois. Funded services are provided in non-threatening environments, and offer culturally and linguistically appropriate services and materials that are reality based, and tailored to ensure relevance to the circumstances and conditions of the target population. Services can be provided in partnership with the Wellness on Wheels mobile units or as a standalone service.

Increasing Access - Wellness on Wheels Mobile Administration – Budget \$190,000.00

OUTREACH/AWARENESS	PREVENTION/EDUCATION	SPECIAL EVENTS	SCREENINGS
3787	1470	37	1835

This initiative allows culturally competent and linguistically appropriate services to be offered where, and when the clients need them, with the option for immediate adjustments based on input from clients, disease outbreaks, and special community events. There are currently four Wellness on Wheels mobile units in operation. While the mobiles are housed in Chicago, Springfield (2), and Carbondale, they provide services on a statewide basis. Each air conditioned unit has two intake areas; a small waiting area; a large examination room equipped with exam table, hot and cold running water, storage space, small refrigerator; electrical outlets, and a handicap accessible bathroom.



COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Flu Vaccine Initiative

Walgreens - Demographic Report FY17

	Shot		Gender		*Age		*Race						*Insurance		
	Flu	Pneumonia	Male	Female	under 50	above 50	Black or AA	American Indian	Alaska Native	Hispanic/Latino	Native Hawaiian	Pacific Islander	White	Insured /Type of Insurance	Uninsured
	5		2	3	3	2				1			4	4	1
	44		41	3	29	15	44								44
	51		27	24	50	1									
	3		1	2	1	2	3								3
	3		1	2	1	1	2								2
	19		5	14	19				19						19
	35		16	19	25	10									
	64		34	30	3	61									
	12		4	8	9	3									
	17		7	10	12	5									
	7			7	5	2	5						2	1	6
	5		2	3	3	2			1				4	4	1
TOTAL	265	0	140	125	160	104	54	0	0	21	0	0	10	9	76



CMHS is working with Walgreens and community organizations to bring free flu

clinics into rural and underserved communities, and to underinsured and uninsured individuals in Illinois. Through our collaborative efforts, eleven flu clinics were held around the state this year. **Race, Insurance Status and Age were recorded if provided by participant.*

As of this report, 265 individuals have received the life-saving flu vaccine at no out-of-pocket cost to them. Many of the recipients reported receiving the flu vaccine for the first time this year. We will continue to work with Walgreens and community partners to schedule clinics throughout the flu season.

Love to Love Your Heart Initiative

The Love to Love Your Heart is an initiative conducted in partnership with faith-based communities. The goal of the Love to Love Your Heart initiative is to prevent

heart attacks and stroke through education; to provide awareness trainings regarding cardiovascular risk factors including focus on high blood pressure; and to promote nutrition and healthy activities that support heart health.

NAME:	LOCATION:	NAME:	LOCATION:
Boone County Health Department	Belvidere	Islamic Society of Greater Springfield	Springfield
Capital City Church of God	Springfield	Kumler United Methodist Church	Springfield
College Church of the Nazarene	Bourbonnais	New Hope Missionary Baptist Church	Springfield
Community Benefits	Carbondale	New Progressive MBC	Chicago
First Christian Church Disciples of Christ	Carbondale	Our Savior Lutheran Church	Bradley
First United Methodist Church	Crystal Lake	St. Benedict the African Parish	Chicago
Fresh Visions Community Church	Springfield	Thompsonville Seventh Day Adventist Church	Thompsonville
Fulfilled Purpose Church International	Chicago	Total Faith Community Church	Rockford
Gloria Dei Lutheran Church	Downers Grove	United Faith Missionary Baptist Church	Rockford
Grace United Methodist Church	Springfield		
Greater Shiloh Baptist Church	Danville		

IDPH Health Equity Council

CMHS coordinates activities of the agency's Health Equity Council (HEC), which recently re-launched in 2017. The

HEC is comprised of 23 diverse representatives from every IDPH Office. The charge of the HEC is to support a work culture within IDPH, that promotes health equity and eliminates health disparities through increased coordination with leadership, programs, and strategic partnerships. HEC work is focused around three priority areas:

- a. Develop a health equity self-assessment tool for use by IDPH staff and programs
- b. Support a culturally competent workforce and development of department-wide standards to enhance health equity and as it relates to the mission, vision, values, and priorities of IDPH
- c. Promote state-wide efforts and support public health partners on research and evidence-based best practices related to reducing health disparities

Special Observances

CMHS plans activities around Special observances to educate and inform staff and the general public about other cultures, or to highlight health disparities in other cultures. This is a way to promote diversity and cultural awareness, as well as to highlight disparities in some areas. CMHS planned activities around the following observances.

Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day
HIV Testing Day
World Aids Day
Native American Heritage Month
Minority Health Month
Hispanic Heritage Month
National Breast Cancer Awareness
Black History Month

Internship Opportunities

One of our strategic priorities is to cultivate a diverse workforce. Our office participates in the



internship opportunities that IDPH offers. Most internships are unpaid and open to college students looking to fulfill course requirements or gain practical experience over summer breaks. In addition, we participate in two- year paid internships through the Graduate Public Service Internship program at University of Illinois at Springfield. In FY 17, CMHS hosted 6 interns – 1 doctoral and 5 master’s degree candidates.

For more information on internship opportunities at IDPH, please visit our website: <http://www.dph.illinois.gov/job-opportunity/internship>

Community Engagement

CMHS continues to promote IDPH’s mission by building trust and viable partnerships within underserved and vulnerable communities. Through

ongoing technical assistance, direct services, funding opportunities, and participation in activities and events that promote health and seek to reduce health disparities, CMHS strives to address social determinants that prevent communities from achieving optimal health. In FY 17, CMHS provided direct engagement and services at 47 events in FY17.

List of Events and Partnerships

13th Annual Health, Fun, & Fitness Fair / Senator Mattie Hunter	Chicago
2017 Asian Community Health Fair	Chicago
2nd Annual Festival	University Park
5k – Metropolitan Family Services	Chicago
8th Annual Chicago First Ladies	Chicago
African American Food N Vendor Day	Springfield
American Heart Assoc. Mother’s Day Celebration	Chicago
All Class Reunion Picnic	Chicago
Annual 17th Legislative District – Wellness Family Health Fair	Chicago
Annual Back to School Festival	Springfield
American Heart Association – Gospel Fest	Chicago
American Heart Assoc. – Mother’s Day Brunch	Chicago
Back to School Austin Community Festival	Chicago
Back to School Concert & Student Resources	Sauk Village
Back to School Fair	Chicago
Back to School Health Care – Dante Williams	Chicago
Black Women’s Expo	Chicago
Block Party & Community Day	Maywood
Central Counties Health Centers 5k	Springfield
Chicago Job Fair	Chicago

Fahrenheit Chicago	Chicago
First Ladies Health Initiative	Chicago
Greater Shiloh Baptist Church Health Fair	Danville
Health & Wellness Fair – House of Hope	Chicago
HIV/AIDS Awareness Testing	Springfield
Homeless Shelter Health Event	Decatur
Illinois State Fair	Springfield
International Women’s Day Flu Clinic	Chicago
Israel of God Clothing Give Away & Health Fair	Riverdale
Jeremiah’s Food Pantry Flu Clinic	Centerville
Malcolm X Health Fair	Chicago
Mexican Consulate	Rockford
National Black HIV AIDs Awareness Day 2017 / University of Illinois at Springfield Health Event	Springfield
Nueva Vida Apostolic Church	Moline
Senior Health Fair – DePaul College Prep.	Chicago
Senior Health Fair – Franklin Park Police Dept.	Franklin Park
State Rep. Mah’s Health Fair	Chicago
State Rep. Will Davis – Health & Fitness Fair	Forest Park
Summit of Hope	Statewide
Triedstone Church Health & Wellness Fair	Chicago
United Methodist Church Flu Clinic	Peoria

Community Empowerment Summit	Chicago
Community Love & Health Fair Day	Chicago
Día de la Mujer Latina	Waukegan
Eastern Illinois University Health Education	Charleston
Eastern Illinois University Health Event	Charleston

Ward Chapel Health Living Campaign Health Fair	Peoria
West Cook YMCA Health & Wellness Fair	Oak Park
Wilson Park Health & Wellness Event	Chicago

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