

March is Children's Dental Health Month

Did you know that dental disease is the most common chronic illness for children in the U.S.? About 20% of children between the ages of 5 to 11 have at least one untreated decayed tooth. While dental disease is preventable, the American Dental Association says dental care is the most common unmet health need of children.

Through funding from the Richland County Foundation and donations from national and local organizations, Richland Public Health has introduced the **"Smile BIG Richland!" Pediatric Dental Health Program**. Our mission is to educate and prevent the prevalence of tooth decay in youth between the ages of 0 to 18.

Early childhood tooth decay has become the most common chronic childhood disease, impacting more children than asthma. According to the ADA, more than 40% of children have tooth decay by the time they reach Kindergarten. Additionally, kids who suffer from poor oral health are three times more likely to miss school as a result of dental pain.

You can contact Kashema Ginn, Health Educator at Richland Public Health, about getting a **FREE dental health backpack** for your children between ages 0-18. Call her at 419-774-4723 or email: kginn@richlandhealth.org. For additional information, go to richlandhealth.org/dental



"He who has health has hope; and he who has hope has everything."

VITAL STATISTICS

The Vital Statistics division maintains records of all births and deaths in Richland County since 1908. For information on obtaining a birth or death certificate, check the website at richlandhealth.org or call 419-774-4500.

	January	YTD
Total Births (all ages)	110	110
Births to Teens.....	6	6
Repeat Births*.....	76	76

	January	YTD
Total Deaths	194	194
Female.....	103	103
Male.....	91	91

Causes of Death		
Heart Related.....	54	54
COVID-19 (coronavirus).....	49	49
Cancer.....	16	16
Lung Diseases.....	15	15
Alzheimers/Dementia.....	9	9
Strokes/CVA.....	8	8
Renal/Kidney.....	4	4
Accidents (drugs/falls/crashes).....	2	2
Flu/Pneumonia.....	2	2
Suicides.....	1	1
Infant Mortality (see below).....	1	1
Homicides.....	0	0
Other (not listed above).....	26	26
Deaths Pending Autopsy.....	7	7

*repeat births = 2nd or more live births
Birth & Death statistics include City of Shelby

COVID-19 Vaccination Information

Our COVID-19 Vaccine Registration Number is **866-395-1588**.

We expect to continue vaccinating individuals in the age group 60 and older as well as other individuals qualified under Phase 1C for many weeks. Until all Richland County providers get a larger allotment of vaccines, scheduling will continue to be difficult. The good news is that the one-dose Johnson and Johnson COVID-19 vaccine has been approved by the FDA. The will make more doses available.

Please be patient. We want to make sure everyone who wants a COVID-19 vaccination can get one.

Additional providers are being added in Richland County regularly. See our website at richlandhealth.org/vaccine-registration for updates. On that page you'll also find links to how Ohio's total vaccinations are progressing and the entire list of COVID-19 providers in Ohio.

COVID-19 Cases as of March 1, 2021

Location	Total Cases	Deaths	Total Recovered
Richland County	10,207	207*	9,814
Ohio	968,874	17,346	911,474
United States	28,614,504	513,393	19,695,321
Worldwide	114,280,281	2,534,195	64,517,281

*Total deaths for Richland County due to COVID-19 is dependent on the filing of death certificates listing cause of death. This number is as of 3/1/2021.

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Child Deaths in Richland County

For January: 1	For 2021: 1
Infant mortality is defined as the death of a baby before his or her first birthday. Infant deaths are considered an important indicator of the overall health of a society. Deaths occurring <u>outside of</u> Richland County are not reflected in county death statistics. KNOW the SAFE SLEEP ABCs: Alone, on Back, in a Crib.	

CALLING THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Main Number	419-774-4500
Public Health Clinic.....	419-774-4700
Public Health Nursing.....	419-774-4540
Environmental Health.....	419-774-4520
CHPS (Health Education)	419-774-4761
WIC.....	419-774-4560

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