

PREVENT DISEASE AND INJURY. PROMOTE HEALTH AND WELLNESS. PROTECT YOU AND YOUR COMMUNITY.

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## Back to School Vaccinations & LetsTalkShots

Summer is in full swing, but the school year is right around the corner. WCHD is hosting back to school vaccination clinics starting July 18th. These clinics are an excellent opportunity to ensure your child is up-to-date on their vaccinations, protecting them and their fellow classmates from preventable diseases.

Clinics are available every Tuesday at the Montpelier office from 9am-4:15pm and on Thursdays from 9:30am-4pm. This year, WCHD is extending our clinic hours on the first Tuesday in August (1st) and September (5th) to better accommodate schedules.

Call to schedule an appointment for your child or ask questions about the vaccines at 419-485-3141.

Have questions about vaccines? Let's Talk Shots is a great resource that provides personalized vaccine information, tailored to your specific vaccine questions. Take the quiz, then receive the information you need to make the best vaccine decisions for you and your family.

Let's talk shots

Learn more about LetsTalkShots at [qr.link/EjOrv7](https://qr.link/EjOrv7)

## Plastic Free July: Free Reusable Bags

Stop by the WCHD's Montpelier office to pick up a free reusable bag for Plastic Free July.

*While supplies last.*



## Back to School Immunization Clinics at the Williams County Health Department

**Every Tuesday and Thursday**  
Starting July 18th through September

<p><b>Tuesdays in Montpelier:</b> 310 Lincoln Ave Montpelier, OH 43543 9am - 4:15pm*</p>	<p><b>Thursdays in Bryan:</b> 1399 East High St Bryan, OH 43506 9:30 - 4pm</p>
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**Appointment Required**

\*Hours extended to 5:30pm the first Tuesday in August and September

## Safe Sleep: Free Pack 'n Play

Williams, Henry, Fulton, and Paulding families are eligible for a FREE pack 'n play if you are...

- 32 weeks pregnant or have a child under 1
- eligible for WIC or Medicaid

Cribs for Kids will be at our Montpelier or Bryan office on Wednesday, July 19th. A cribette, safe sleeping supplies, and education on how to keep your baby sleeping safe will be provided.

Bryan: 9-11am

Montpelier: 1-3pm

Walk-ins only. While supplies last.



# WCHD Program Highlight: Food Protection

The WCHD annually performs over 650 inspections of places that serve food to the public. Some examples include grocery stores, carry outs, restaurants, mobile food operations at fairs and festivals and temporary events.

## ? What is the purpose of an inspection?

Inspections are conducted to make sure that safety is being followed in the handling, cleaning and preparation of food that is sold to the public. It is also an opportunity to work with owners/managers to educate and answer any questions they have about ensuring safe food is served to the public.

## 🔍 What is checked during an inspection?

- Making sure food is held at the correct temperature. Food not being held below 40 degrees Fahrenheit in refrigerators or not being held at or above 135 degrees Fahrenheit can result in people becoming ill.
- Making sure employees are washing their hands. Example: after using the restroom or cleaning tables and then handling food.
- Making sure facilities are in good repair, and free from vermin such as mice and insects.

## ! What happens when problems are found?

First and foremost, we work with the operator to explain violations and work with them to correct those violations. If it is an immediate unsafe situation, such as improper temperature, the food is disposed of to prevent it being served to the public. If it is a cleaning situation or a repair to equipment or the building, a timeframe is given for when a follow-up inspection will occur.

## 📅 Are inspections announced?

No, except for follow-up inspections, they are not announced or scheduled.



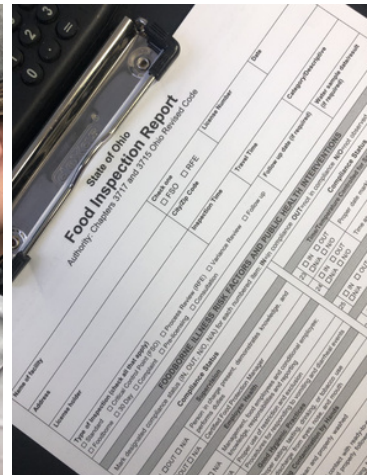
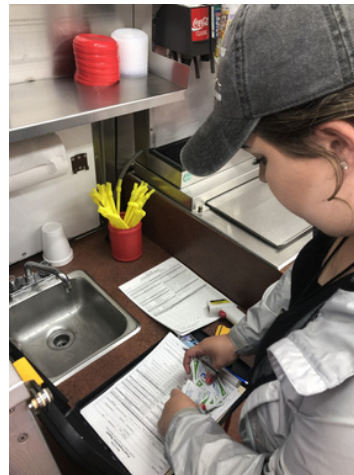
## What does WCHD do when a food business is not up to code?

WCHD has a procedure that is followed to help food businesses correct violations and serve safe food to their customers. The focus is on education to help the staff understand the reasons why the violations are important to food safety. In some cases, meetings are held with the owner or manager to talk about ways they can prevent the same violations on future inspections.



## Where can I find inspection reports in Williams County?

All inspections are available online at [bit.ly/FoodFacilityReports](https://bit.ly/FoodFacilityReports)



# Adopt-a-Road Program

Are you part of a group, family, or organization willing to commit to keeping Williams County roads clean? Call Shannon at 419-485-3141 to learn more about our adopt-a-road program.



## Sewage Treatment System Exam for Operation & Maintenance (O&M) Household Systems

If you want to inspect your septic system for O&M permit requirements and need to take an exam, schedule an in-person exam at our Montpelier office to avoid online fees.

Call 419-485-3141 to learn more or schedule your exam.

## Access to Medical & Mental Health Care Survey

The Williams County Health Department would like to better understand our community and how residents access health care and behavioral health services. Take our survey to provide your input on it may be difficult for some people to access health care or behavioral health (mental health &/or substance use treatment) resources in our community.

Survey: [surveymonkey.com/r/CRD6HZK](https://surveymonkey.com/r/CRD6HZK)

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## WIC Farmers Market Coupons

Did you know that as an Ohio WIC participant you have access to use farmers market coupons during the months of August to October? You can go to any WIC approved farmers vendor in the state of Ohio. Coupon books available offer 6 \$5 coupons for a total of \$30 to spend on local produce. The farmers market coupons are first come first served. Williams County WIC starts distributing the coupon books during the month of August or until gone. It is important to note that we do not have enough to provide coupons for each participant so if you are interested, give us a call.

If you are interested in joining WIC, call the Williams County WIC office at 419-485-3141 to see if you qualify.



## Talking Points Content Survey

We would like to hear from you. What would you like to learn about in future Community Talking Points? Share your feedback by taking the following survey: [bit.ly/CTPInputSurvey](https://bit.ly/CTPInputSurvey).



**Sign Up**

WCHD Community Talking Points are published on a monthly basis and posted on our website and social media. If you would you like to receive the community talking points directly, sign up by completing this form: [bit.ly/WCCommunityTalkingPoints](https://bit.ly/WCCommunityTalkingPoints)

For more information on WCHD programs and services, visit: [williamscountyhealth.org](https://williamscountyhealth.org)

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