

Health Department and Nursing Services



The City of Berlin serves the public's health needs both through its public health function and through its home health services.

With the retirement of the former City Manager, Patrick MacQueen, who had been doing these inspections, the Mayor and Council looked at whether or not Berlin should remain a self-inspecting city in regards to food licensing. After considering what changes would need to be made and the possible monetary effect on area businesses it was decided that the function should remain local. The Food ordinances were then updated. The fee for a year license is \$50 as of April 2013. The Health Officer performs one scheduled inspection for food licensing and will be conducting unscheduled inspections randomly. The Health Officer is charged with inspecting restaurants for health and safety issues and issuing food licenses and investigating complaints.

The Health Officer also takes health complaints from the public and inspects whether these issues are in conflict with the local health and safety ordinances or state laws. If a complaint is found to be valid the Health Officer is charged with enforcing the local ordinances and state laws.

We have several other public health functions that we provide. Below is a list of those services and the number of community members served. We also provide health information to community members.

Clinic Type	# of Patients
Cholesterol/Blood Sugar/Blood Pressure	237
Community Events	1
Flu Vaccines	205
Head Checks	27=child, 3=Adult
Hepatitis B	4
Berlin Health Department Foot Care Clinic	218
Mantoux Tests	269
Walk-in Blood Pressures	41
Prox readings	13
Other Adult Visits Walk-in	20
Northern Lights Blood Pressure Clinic	19
St. Regis Blood Pressure Clinic	91
Wal-Mart Blood Pressure Clinic	35
Holiday Center Blood Pressure Clinic	209
Cornerstone Foot Clinic	14
In Home Foot Care Clinic (for home bound individuals)	139
Resource Center Blood Pressure Clinic	102
B-12 Injections	94
Other Injections	154
Other child visits	30

Our normal Home Health patient census is around 70 patients. In Fiscal Year 2013 we provided Home Health Services including skilled nursing, home health aides, physical therapy, occupational therapy and speech therapy to over 102 non-duplicated patients. The office accepts Medicaid, Medicare, private insurance and self-pay as well as

payment from the V.A. The Home Health Program serves clients of all age groups who are home bound. We do everything from “baby” checks of newborns to post surgery care of anyone who has had a surgery. Our nurses provide care based on orders from the client’s physician so it is important for



anyone wanting services to ask their doctor for a referral first.

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Service:	Fee:
Foot Clinic	In Home: \$18.00 In Office: \$15.00
Cholesterol Screening	\$15.00
TB testing	\$15.00
B12 Injection	\$8.00
Diabetic Screening	\$1.00
Blood Pressure	\$1.00
Hepatitis Series	\$35.00

We look forward to serving the various health needs of the community in the next fiscal year.

Angela Martin Giroux
Health & Welfare Director

As of January 7, 2013 (Subject to Revision)

2013 BUDGET SCHEDULE

For The FY 2013/2014 Budget

MONDAY MARCH 4	CITY MANAGER PRESENTS BUDGET TO COUNCIL		
MONDAY MARCH 11	BOARD OF EDUCATION		6:30 PM
WEDNESDAY MARCH 13	ADMINISTRATION GENERAL GOV'T/DEBT AIRPORT BIDPA OUTSIDE AGENCIES 412		6:30 PM
WEDNESDAY MARCH 20	SAFETY DIVISION: POLICE 420 AMBULANCE 423		6:30 PM
MONDAY MARCH 25	FIRE 421,424 HOUSING 425		6:30 PM
WEDNESDAY MARCH 27	PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION: STREET LIGHTING 422 SOLID WASTE 436 PUBLIC WORKS 430 SEWER USER 432 ENGINEERING 431		6:30 PM
WEDNESDAY APRIL 3	COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION HEALTH 440 WELFARE 441 LIBRARY 451 RECREATION 450		6:30 PM
MONDAY APRIL 8	COUNCIL WORKS ON PROPOSED BUDGET <i>School Dept Pink Slips April 15, 2013</i>		6:30 PM
MONDAY MAY 6	COUNCIL DECISION FOR PUBLISHING THE BUDGET		
WEDNESDAY MAY 8	NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND PROPOSED BUDGET IS ADVERTISED. <i>At least 7 days (one week) before the public hearing; 5/15 last possible</i>		
WEDNESDAY MAY 22	PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED BUDGET		6:30 PM
MONDAY JUNE 3	THE FIRST READING OF THE RESOLUTION FOR THE PROPOSED BUDGET.		
MONDAY, JUNE 17	THE BUDGET RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED		
--ALL COMMITTEE MEETINGS WILL BE HELD AT CITY HALL--			
ACTION MUST TAKE PLACE NO LATER THAN MIDNIGHT, JUNE 20, 2013 (10 days before the beginning of the fiscal year) TO ACCEPT BUDGET. OTHERWISE, THE PUBLISHED PUBLIC HEARING BUDGET BECOMES THE APPROVED BUDGET PER THE CITY CHARTER.			