

PROTECTING. PREVENTING. PARTNERING.

PARTNERSHIP COORDINATOR

Conducts outreach activities to increase and connect the universe of community partners utilizing the Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnerships (MAPP) process and acts as a liaison and coordinator of the state mandated Community Health improvement Plan (CHIP) for Somerset County.



LOCAL INFORMATION NETWORK COMMUNICATION SYSTEM (LINCS)

The Local Information Network Communication System (LINCS) delivers the first-line means of public health notification and communication between the county health department and our public health and community partners. Through broadcast fax and e-mail communications, LINCS serves as an early warning system to alert local, state and federal authorities and the media about urgent health threats and about the necessary prevention and response actions. As a LINCS member you would receive public health information that is pertinent and relevant to your particular establishment.



Public Health
Prevent. Promote. Protect.

BEDMINSTER, FAR HILLS, FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, MANVILLE, NORTH PLAINFIELD, RARITAN, ROCKY HILL & SOMERVILLE

The Somerset County Health Department is also dedicated to improving the quality of life, ensuring public health and safety, and preventing environmental hazards for Bedminster Township, Far Hills, Franklin Township, the Borough of North Plainfield and Rocky Hill residents through innovation, education, surveillance, enforcement and community service.

Our goal is to continue to establish the Somerset County Health Department as a credible source for information and a partner in countywide public health emergency response.

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SERVICES GUIDE

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MISSION STATEMENT:

The Somerset County Department of Health is dedicated to fostering healthy lifestyles and a safe environment through effective leadership in public health, comprehensive planning, development of proactive community partnerships and a continued commitment to public health Service. The health department accomplishes this mission by working to prevent disease outbreaks and makes sure the tap water you drink, the restaurant food you eat and the air you breathe are all safe. It's also ready to respond to any health emergency – be it bioterrorism, SARS, West Nile Virus or an environmental hazard.



MEDICAL RESERVE CORP:

This program is designed to identify and register individuals who are willing to serve within their county or local area during a public health emergency. The MRC is a group of dedicated active and retired allied health and medical professionals along with non-medical community members and professionals residing in or working in Somerset County.

Everyone has a skill they can lend during critical times. We invite community members to join our volunteer organization to

support our infrastructure during any emergency and to learn about being prepared in advance.

Various trainings are available to our volunteers. During a public health emergency, volunteers will be asked to perform duties in accordance with their experience, interest and trainings. Such duties might include:

- Administrative, clerical and reception
- Assisting essential first responders
- Setting up special needs shelters and triage
- Providing guidance, counseling and health education
- Inventory control and stockpiling medications for distribution

Log onto www.njmrc.gov select Somerset County.

SOMERSET COUNTY CANCER COALITION (SCCC)

The SCCC established in 2004, is an outcome of the statewide initiative, NJ Cancer Control Plan. The coalition has been given the charge to identify major cancer issues affecting the county and available resources for cancer prevention.

Join our cancer coalition to assist with cancer awareness, education, outreach and advocacy efforts to reduce the incidence of cancer in Somerset County.

"Early Detection is our best protection"



Through the County Environmental Health Act" (CEHA), County inspectors are delegated certain investigative responsibilities by NJDEP (New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection).

Somerset County CEHA inspectors are charged with ensuring compliance with the State's regulations in matters of solid waste management, recycling, air and water quality and noise pollution.

The CEHA unit conducts routine inspections of permitted facilities, responds to citizen complaints, and works in conjunction with Local & State environmental and public health professionals to ensure a safe & healthy quality of life in Somerset County.



EPIDEMIOLOGY & DISEASE SURVEILLANCE

This office conducts epidemiological surveillances, investigates disease outbreaks, tracks reportable communicable diseases, coordinates tuberculosis program, offers infectious disease trainings, builds and strengthens relationship with critical partners in preparedness efforts.

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

The Public Health Nurse (PHN) is responsible for the planning and preparedness operations as they relate to both natural and man-made public health emergencies. The PHN assures that Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) plans are fully developed to the operational level, including standard operating procedures for SNS receipt, staging, storage, and distribution. The public health nurse (PHN) works closely with the County Epidemiologist and health care agencies in disease surveillance and collaborates with school nurses, hospitals, and long term health care facilities; to monitor (ILI) influenza-like illnesses for statistics and trend

HEALTH EDUCATION

Educating you and your neighbors about health issues. This department gives you information about making healthy decisions, like exercising more, eating right, quitting smoking or simply washing your hands to keep from spreading illness. We also create and disseminate program materials and develop mass media campaigns.

Educational outreach presentations on family/personal emergency preparedness, pandemic influenza, business continuity, infection control and communicable diseases. Participate in communications during a public health emergency.