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LOCAL HEALTH REPORT

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Serving Montgomery, and the Boroughs of Hopewell, Pennington, and Rocky Hill



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What Does Your Health Department Do?

Your local public health department protects and improves the health and well-being of your community, as well as the environmental resources upon which we all depend.

Since 1900, the average lifespan of U.S. residents has increased by more than 30 years, with 25 years of this gain attributable to advances in public health, such as:

- Vaccination
- Motor-vehicle safety
- Safer workplaces
- Control of infectious diseases
- Decline in deaths from coronary heart disease and stroke
- Safer and healthier foods
- Healthier mothers and babies
- Family planning
- Fluoridation of drinking water
- Recognition of tobacco use as a health hazard

Today, your local, county, regional, and state public health agencies continue to promote health and wellness across New Jersey.

Your health department:

- Protects you from health threats. Your health department works to prevent disease outbreaks and makes sure the water you drink, the food you eat, and the air you breathe are all safe. We are also ready to respond to any health emergency — be it bioterrorism, Ebola, West Nile Virus, or a new environmental hazard.
- Educates you and your neighbors about health issues. Your health department provides you with information that helps you make healthy decisions, like exercising more, eating right, quitting smoking, and washing your hands to protect yourself from communicable diseases. During a public health emergency, we also provide important alerts and warnings to protect your health.
- Provides healthy solutions. Your health department offers the preventive care you need to avoid disease and maintain your health. We provide flu shots for the elderly and help mothers get prenatal care to give their babies a healthy start. We also help provide children with regular check-ups, immunizations, and good nutrition to help them grow and learn.
- Advances community health. Your health department takes part in developing new policies and standards that address existing and emerging challenges to your community's health while enforcing a range of laws to help keep you safe. We work through research and staff training to maintain expertise and deliver up-to-date, cutting-edge health programs.

Montgomery Township Health Department & You – Improving Health Together!



Mission Statement

Adopted October 8, 2014:

Our purpose is the *good health* of the people of the communities we serve.

Together we:

- Prevent Disease and Injury
- Promote Healthier Choices
- Protect food, water, and air
- Prepare for Emergencies

We will work together for a safer and healthier community.

Public Health Quick Facts

- 356 Flu Vaccinations provided
- 25 Clinic visits provided by contract agencies
- 267 Retail Food Inspections conducted
- 142 Retail Food Facilities licensed
- 167 Disease cases investigated
- 69 Environmental health issues investigated

Your Public Health Team



L to R: Devangi Patel, Health Educator; Jennifer Foster, Administrative Assistant; Kristen Sargent, REHS; Evan Stampoulos, REHS, Brianna Retsis, Public Health Nurse; Chris Krygier, Animal Control; Stephanie Carey, Health Officer

Montgomery Township Health Department Service Area

Town Name	Animal Bites & Rabies Control	Full-Time Health Officer	Childhood Lead Poisoning Control	Communicable Disease Control	Emergency Preparedness and	Health Education & Promotion	Individualized Clinical Services	Inquiries, Issues, Complaints	Kennels, Pet Shops, Shelters	Onsite Wastewater Disposal	Other Animal Control Services	Potable Wells & Drinking Water	Proprietary Campgrounds	Public Campgrounds	Recreational Bath Facilities	Retail Food Establishment Safety	School Immunity Record Audits	Tanning Facility Compliance	Youth Camps
BRANCHBURG TWP						P													
HOPEWELL BORO	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	P			P	P	P		P
MONTGOMERY TWP	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P			P	P	P		P
PENNINGTON BORO	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	P			P	P	P		P
PRINCETON						P													
ROCKY HILL BORO	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P			P			P	P	P		P
WEST WINDSOR TWP						P													

Key Accomplishments, 2015

- **Regional Health Education** Shared Services Program launched
- **Chronic Disease Self-Management and Diabetes Self-Management** expanded
- Staff Public Health **Nurse** hired to increase response capacity
- **“Gaining Ground for Public Health Accreditation”** site
- Community Forum and Stakeholder involvement resulting in **MTHD Strategic Plan**
- Awarded **Accreditation Support Initiative** funding from the National Association of County & City Health Officials
- New Shared Services initiative with Rocky Hill Borough
- Launch of **Walking School Bus** initiative in Hopewell Borough
- **SAVE Animal Shelter** opening to serve as regional animal care facility
- Grand opening of new Montgomery **Dog Park**
- Adoption of cat licensing ordinance (Montgomery)
- Adoption of **Isolation & Quarantine ordinance** for Infectious Disease Control (Hopewell Borough and Montgomery)

Public Health Priorities *From MTHD's Strategic Plan*

1: Healthy Eating and Active Living: Improve community health by advocating for sustainable, healthy lifestyle choices that will help people maintain a healthy weight

2. Engage the community to prevent and reduce impact of Infectious and Chronic Disease

3. Mental Health: Improve access to mental health and substance abuse prevention and treatment resources (including tobacco) while reducing stigma

4. Administrative Priorities

- Our daily job: Protect the Health of People and the environment through Regulatory Enforcement
- Build and Maintain our Human Capital and Organizational Structure
- Develop Sustainable revenue streams to support critical services. “Think like a business”
- Demonstrate our commitment to transparency, accountability, and improved outcomes by preparing to submit for Public Health Accreditation by July 1, 2016.

Planning for a Healthier Future



In April, 2015, the Health Department hosted a Community Forum to inform our agency's Strategic Plan. Fifteen stakeholders participated in the Community Forum, with another 38 individuals completing the online survey tool. The plan was reviewed by the membership of all four Boards of Health and adopted in December, 2015

Staffing & Human Resources Summary

Fiscal Year Summary	2015 data
Number of Individual Employees	8
Number of Individual Contract Staff	2
Number of Individual Volunteers	3
Number of Contract Organizations	1
Total Number of Full-Time Equivalent Human Resources Available <i>Serving over 28,000 residents</i>	6.88
FTEs of Individual Employees	6.5
FTEs of Individual Contract Staff	0.1
FTEs of Individual Volunteers	0.25
FTEs of Contract Organizations	0.03

¹Employees are individuals who are on the LHD's payroll and paid a set salary or hourly rate. This includes full-time, part-time, and casual/at-will/W-9 staff of the LHD.

¹Contract staff are individual contractors or consultants who are not on the LHD's payroll, but who invoice or bill the LHD for services rendered on behalf of the LHD and are paid directly by the LHD as individuals (rather than as companies/organizations).

¹Contract organizations are organizations that, under the terms of a contract, provide services on behalf of the LHD in exchange for payment, where the LHD pays the organization rather than directly compensating individual staff of the organization for their services.

Public Health Accreditation: What works to improve health?

Montgomery Health Department is a proud recipient of national **Accreditation Support Initiative Funding** to apply for Accreditation in 2016. MTHD is a participating site in the **Gaining Ground Public Health Accreditation Readiness** Initiative.

Public Health Accreditation embeds a **culture of quality improvement** throughout the organization. Accreditation is focused on **transparency, accountability, and measuring success**. We are using the results of our strategic planning process to address the needs of our communities—Check our website for updates and how you can be involved.

Sponsored by the National Association of County & City Health Officials, and by NJ Association of County & City Health Officials through a grant from the National Network of Public Health Institutes

Annual Financial Summary

The health department's most recently completed fiscal year began on 01-01-2015 and ended on 12-31-2015.

Total revenue	\$510,835
Revenue from Municipalities <i>including Shared Services</i>	\$382,624
Revenue from Counties	0
Revenue from the State Department of Health	0
Revenue from other State Agencies	\$8,550
Revenue from grants (other than State of NJ)	\$6,750
Revenue from service and licensing fees	\$98,411
Revenue from fines for health & safety violations	0
Financial donations received	0
In-kind donations	0
All other revenue	\$14,500
% of revenue from Fees and Fines	19.26%
Total expenditures for 01-01-2015 through 12-31-2015	\$510,835
Revenue minus Expenditures	0
Budget for next fiscal year	\$512,000
Per capita expenditures <i>Excluding benefits, capital, & overhead</i>	
<i>Public Health Services</i>	\$15.15
<i>Animal Control</i>	\$3.16

Inquiries, Issues, and Complaint Investigations: Improving Community Quality of Life, Health, and Safety

Local health departments assist residents in the resolution of quality of life questions and concerns, as well as conducting investigations to prevent and correct (“abate”) conditions or uses of a properties that interfere with neighbors’ use or enjoyment of their own properties or endanger life, health or safety.

Key Facts & Activities	2015 data
Number of contacts handled	1468
Number of cases investigated	69
Number of cases that required enforcement action (including, but not limited to, fines, notices of violation, and court summonses)	10
Percent of cases that required enforcement actions	15%

The data on this page applies to: Hopewell Boro, Montgomery Twp, Rocky Hill Boro, Pennington Boro.

Complaint investigations in 2015 include:

- **19 High Grass**
- **11 Retail Food complaints**
- **15 Pollution of Air, Water, or Soil**
- **14 Debris, Rodents, and Insects**

Healthy Eating and Active Living Outreach



Social Media for Wellness

To better reach our busy residents, 2015 saw the launch of **Wellness Wednesdays**, our weekly tweet of healthy hints. Want to receive these tweets?

Text INMONTGOMERYNJ to 22828 or join through the Princeton or West Windsor websites

Walking School Bus App

The Health Department worked with Greater Mercer Transportation Management Association to bring **The Walking School Bus App** to New Jersey.



The App helps parents organize groups to walk to school safely, and is a **first in the state!**

Check it out at:

<http://gmtma.org/pg-schools-walking-school-bus-app.php>

Neighborhood Action for Active Kids



Hopewell Borough Board of Health, worked with Hopewell Elementary School to launch **“Walk & Roll to School Day”** in May, to encourage kids to start their day by being active.

The program was successful enough that a second event was held in September.

The Board is working with parents and HES to pilot Walking School Bus groups, and to make this a regular event.

Health Education and Promotion

Health Education occurs throughout all local health department programs, with a focus on providing education and health promotion services that help the public make informed decisions about their health. Health education programs and activities help the community achieve a healthier lifestyle and promote healthy behaviors.

2015 saw our **Regional Health Education Shared Services** initiative come to fruition. A total of 9 municipalities across 4 health departments are coordinating their messages and outreach to provide consistent messaging on emerging health issues.

Key Facts & Activities	2015 data
Number of single-session educational events	35
Number of multi-session educational events	11
Total number of educational events	46

The data on this page applies to: Hopewell Boro, West Windsor Twp, Montgomery Twp, Branchburg Twp, Rocky Hill Boro, Princeton Boro, Pennington Boro



Pennington Day Festivities let visitors have fun in the sun, and learn about sun safety, too



Take Control of Your Health

The Stanford Chronic Disease Self-Management Program

Montgomery Health Department received special funding from the National Association of County & City Health Officials to bring this nationally recognized, evidence-based program to our communities. It helps people with diabetes, asthma, arthritis, or other conditions live with fewer symptoms, more energy, and less pain.

The grant allowed us to fund a team to be trained as “Take Control of Your Health” facilitators, brief Health Care Providers on the value of self-management education, and provide workshops throughout Somerset and Mercer Counties. The results have been so promising that we received **a second round of funding from NJ Department of Human Services** to continue the workshops through Fall, 2015.

We also trained facilitators in the companion program, **Take Control of Your Diabetes**. We will be able to offer this best-practices program at interested sites throughout 2016.

Individual Clinical Services

- As part of our mission to assure that all people have access to essential health services, local health departments provide a variety of individual, clinical services such as screenings and checkups, referrals to appropriate medical care, and primary medical care and follow-up.
- We partner with Zufall Health Center in Somerville, and Community Visiting Nurses Association, to make sure all our residents have access to primary and preventive care.

Key Facts & Activities	2015 data
Number of clinic-based medical visits provided	25
Number of individuals (unduplicated) who received care at health department clinics	25
Number of referrals to medical follow-up, support programs, and/or accessible medical services	356
Number of children immunized to protect them from dangerous and deadly preventable diseases	3
Number of adults (age 18 and up) immunized to protect them from dangerous and deadly preventable diseases	350
Total number of immunizations provided by the LHD	353
Number of individuals screened for cancer	23
Number of individuals screened for Hepatitis B	3
Number of individuals screened for Sexually Transmitted Infections (other than HIV/AIDS)	17
Number of individuals screened for HIV/AIDS	16

The data on this page applies to: Hopewell Boro, Montgomery Twp, Rocky Hill Boro, Pennington Boro.

Public Health Nursing and Communicable Disease Control

In 2015, the Health Department investigated **167 cases** of Reportable Communicable Disease:

- 50 % Lyme and other tick-borne diseases
- 8% Vaccine preventable diseases like chicken pox and pertussis
- 8% food-borne diseases
- 22% Hepatitis B and C

Over 75 staff hours were devoted to monitoring returning travelers from Ebola-stricken countries, according to CDC protocols.

To meet the continuing need for disease investigation, the Health Department has hired a part-time **staff public health nurse**. Having nursing staff in-house allows us to respond more nimbly to outbreaks, emergencies, and emerging disease threats. It also **builds capacity** to improve chronic disease outreach and community wellness initiatives.

School Immunization Record Audits

To ensure that our community schools and children are keeping kids healthy and safe from preventable disease, local health departments review immunization records of children within schools and childcare facilities, to make sure *everyone* is protected from vaccine-preventable diseases.

Key Facts & Activities	2015 data
Number of Childcare / Pre-K facilities	13
Number of Childcare / Pre-K facilities audited by the health department	12
Number of Kindergarten facilities	5
Number of Kindergarten facilities audited by the health department	5
Number of Grade 1 facilities	6
Number of Grade 1 facilities audited by the health department	6
Number of Grade 6 facilities	4
Number of Grade 6 facilities audited by the health department	4
Number of High School facilities	4
Number of High School facilities whose transfer school records were audited by the health department	4

The data on this page applies to (Hopewell Boro, Montgomery Twp, Rocky Hill Boro, Pennington Boro)

Animal Care and Management

- Montgomery Animal Control provides swift response to all kinds of animal control emergencies, helps residents find lost pets, and assists with nuisance wildlife where there is a rabies transmission risk.
- We also assist with pet adoptions, and provide free rabies shots to area pets at our clinics.



Animal Control Officers Chris Krygier and Stan Kosinski provide service to our residents 7 days a week

Animal Control Quick Facts

2015 Results:

- 25 lost Dogs and cats returned home
- 11 direct pet adoptions
- 37 pet adoptions through our partner organizations
- Responded to **over 2000 calls** for information and service.

“Bark in the Park”



September 2015 saw the long-awaited installation of the new Montgomery Dog Park. Girl Scout Troop 60625 built agility jumps, collected toys and pet supplies, and organized a community Grand Opening celebration, “**Bark in the Park**”

Pictured L-R: S. Kosinski, ACO; Troop 60625 Silver Team; S. Carey, Health Officer, Deputy Mayor Ed Trzaska; Township Committee Member Pat Graham

Kennels, Pet Shops, and Shelter / Pound Facilities

- Local health departments inspect kennels, pet shops, shelters, and pounds to ensure that these facilities are operating in compliance with sanitation, safety, and animal welfare rules.

Key Facts & Activities	2015 data
Number of licensed kennel facilities	1
Number of licensed shelter/pound facilities	1
Number of pre-operational inspections conducted at Kennels	0
Number of pre-operational inspections conducted at Shelter/Pound facilities	1
Number of routine inspections conducted at Kennels	1
Number of routine inspections conducted at Shelter/Pound facilities	1
Number of routine re-inspections conducted at Pet Shops	0
Number of routine re-inspections conducted at Kennels	0
Number of routine re-inspections conducted at Shelter/Pound facilities	1

The data on this table applies to: Hopewell Boro, Montgomery Twp, Pennington Boro.

Animal Bites and Rabies Control

- To protect individuals and their domestic animals, Animal Control Officers are responsible for collecting and impounding lost pets, stray domestic animals, and sick, injured, or dangerous animals. Montgomery Health Department directly supervises Animal Control Officers to prevent the spread of rabies and to ensure that anyone potentially exposed to rabies receives prompt treatment.

Key Facts & Activities	2015 data
Number of incidents where an animal bit a human or a domestic animal	27
Number of domestic animals that were confined for rabies observation after biting a person or another animal	19

The data on this table applies to: Hopewell Boro, Montgomery Twp, Rocky Hill Boro, Pennington Boro.

Montgomery Township Health Department provides animal control services to the following Communities:

Hopewell Borough
 Montgomery Township
 Pennington Borough

Animal Sheltering and Rescue

Montgomery Township Health Department contracts with SAVE Animal Shelter on behalf of the following towns:

Hopewell Borough

Montgomery Township

Pennington Borough



Montgomery Animal Control is proud to be partnering with the SAVE Animal Shelter to care for our lost and homeless pets.

December, 2015 saw the long-awaited grand opening of SAVE's new, state-of-the-Art Animal Care facility, located on Route 601, next to Montgomery High School.

The Facility also includes administrative facilities and meeting space in the carefully restored Van Zandt House, a historic house from the 1850s.

We welcome our friends at SAVE to the Township!

Pet Licensing

• All municipalities in New Jersey are responsible for licensing domestic dogs, to ensure that dogs and the people they interact with are protected from rabies. Many Municipalities also license cats to help prevent rabies. Pet licensing programs also help to quickly reunite lost pets with their owners. In some municipalities, the local health department manages the pet licensing program.

Key Facts & Activities	2015 data
Number of dog licenses issued	1447
Number of cat licenses issued <i>Starting in 2016</i>	

The data in this table applies to: **Montgomery Twp.**

Rabies Vaccination Clinics

Key Facts & Activities	2015 data
Number of rabies vaccination clinics conducted by the health department	3
Number of pets vaccinated by the health department	219

The data in this table applies to: Hopewell Boro, Montgomery Twp, Pennington Boro.

Summer Fun, Summer Safety

Our Environmental Health Staff makes sure your favorite summer destinations are safe and sanitary:

- Swimming pool water is checked to make sure it is free from harmful bacteria
- Lifeguards credentials are verified, and adequate staffing ensured
- Youth Camps are inspected to make sure the facility meets state health, safety, and staffing requirements
- Summer festivals are monitored for safe food, water, and sanitation.

So you can relax and enjoy your summer!



Youth Camps

• Local health departments enforce safety and sanitation standards for the operation of youth camps in order to protect the health and safety of children who attend these programs.

Key Facts & Activities	2015 data
Number of pre-operational inspections conducted	5
Number of routine, operational inspections conducted	0
Number of routine, operational re-inspections conducted	0
Number of emergency & complaint-related inspections and investigations conducted	0
Number of facilities on which the health department had to take one or more enforcement actions	0

The data on this page applies to: Hopewell Boro, Montgomery Twp, Rocky Hill Boro, Pennington Boro.

Recreational Bathing Facilities

Key Facts & Activities	2015 data
Number of licensed public recreational bathing facilities	
Number of licensed year-round facilities	4
Number of licensed seasonal facilities	9
Number of public recreational bathing features of each type:	
Swimming / wading pools	13
Hot tubs / spas	1
Number of pre-operational inspections of bathing facilities of:	
Year-round facilities	0
Seasonal facilities	8
Number of routine inspections of bathing facilities of:	
Year-round facilities	3
Seasonal facilities	0
Number of public recreational bathing facilities closed for health and safety violations:	
Year-round facilities	0
Seasonal facilities	0

The data on this page applies to: Hopewell Boro, Montgomery Twp, Rocky Hill Boro, Pennington Boro.

Local Business Supervision and Inspection



Food Truck Fridays in Hopewell Borough are a great way to enjoy a warm evening and meet your neighbors. Our inspectors make sure the foods served are safe, wholesome, and served by licensed operators

Public Health Quick Facts: Building a Better Community

The Health Department also reviews other Permit applications for impacts to public health

- 112 Construction permit reviews—*does the project have adequate access to safe drinking water and sewage disposal? Is it a business subject to health and safety regulations?*
- 31 Planning Board reviews— *Will this project help make our community healthier? Are there safe places to walk and play in this development?* (Health in All Policies)



Retail Food Establishment Safety

• Local health departments inspect and regulate restaurants, grocery stores, and other retail food facilities to ensure compliance with safety and sanitation rules. Local health departments also investigate and control disease outbreaks linked to retail food facilities.

Key Facts & Activities	2015 data
Number of licensed food establishments:	
Risk Level 1 - Establishments that conduct minimal food preparation and minimal handling of potentially hazardous foods	25
Risk Level 2 - Establishments that conduct limited food preparation and heat/cool potentially hazardous foods	70
Risk Level 3 - Establishments that conduct complex food preparation and heat/cool potentially hazardous foods	36
Mobile food establishments	7
Temporary - Establishments operating for no more than 14 consecutive days in conjunction with a single event or celebration	85
Other - Establishments that conduct ONLY specialized processes (i.e. sushi)	4
Number of specialized processes overseen by the health department	4
Number of retail food establishment plan reviews conducted	4
Number of pre-operational retail food establishment inspections conducted	7
Number of routine inspections for the following types of retail food establishments:	
Risk Level 1 - Establishments that conduct minimal food preparation and minimal handling of potentially hazardous foods	21
Risk Level 2 - Establishments that conduct limited food preparation and heat/cool potentially hazardous foods	81
Risk Level 3 - Establishments that conduct complex food preparation and heat/cool potentially hazardous foods	65
Mobile food establishments	7
Temporary - Establishments operating for no more than 14 consecutive days in conjunction with a single event or celebration	83
Other - Establishments that conduct ONLY specialized processes such as canning	5
Number of routine re-inspections for the following types of establishments:	
Risk Level 1 - Establishments that conduct minimal food preparation and minimal handling of potentially hazardous foods	0
Risk Level 2 - Establishments that conduct limited food preparation and heat/cool potentially hazardous foods	0
Risk Level 3 - Establishments that conduct complex food preparation and heat/cool potentially hazardous foods	2
Mobile food establishments	0
Temporary - Establishments operating for no more than 14 consecutive days in conjunction with a single event or celebration	0
Other - Establishments that conduct ONLY specialized processes such as canning	0
Number of emergency & complaint-related investigations/inspections:	
Investigations	7
Inspections (other than routine inspections)	3
Number of establishments on which the health department had to take one or more enforcement actions	1

The data on this page applies to: Hopewell Boro, Montgomery Twp, Rocky Hill Boro, Pennington Boro.

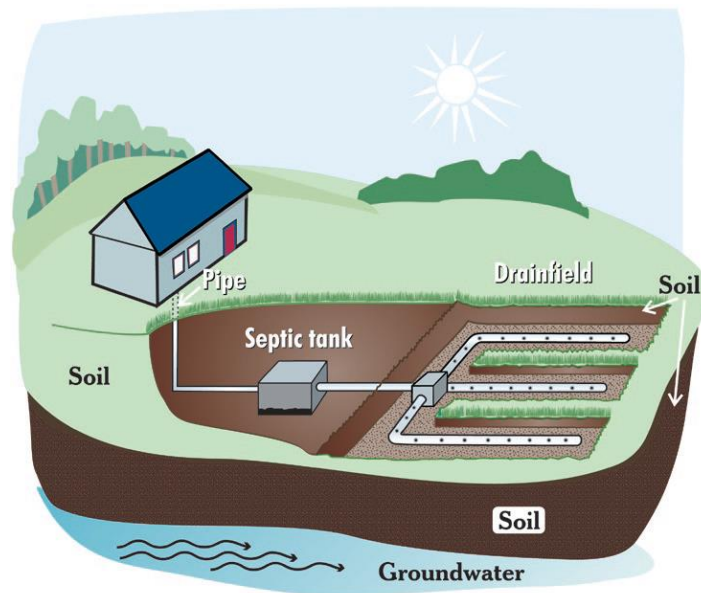
Environmental Stewardship

Montgomery has some of the strongest protections to prevent water pollution in New Jersey. Our Septic Management Program requires regular maintenance of On-site Wastewater Disposal Systems. ***Regular maintenance of your septic system prolongs the life of the system, reducing the need for expensive repairs, and protects the environment.***

Top Four Things You Can Do To Protect Your Septic System

- ❶ Inspect and pump your system every three years.
- ❷ Use water efficiently.
- ❸ Don't dispose of nonbiodegradable items or household hazardous wastes in sinks or toilets.
- ❹ Care for your drainfield.

Parts of a Septic System



Not in My Septic System!

X Cloggers

diapers, cat litter, cigarette filters, coffee grounds, grease, feminine hygiene products, etc.

X Killers

household chemicals, gasoline, oil, pesticides, antifreeze, paint, etc.

Onsite Wastewater Disposal Systems Safety

• Local health departments conduct education, permitting, and inspections of low-volume residential and commercial onsite wastewater treatment systems (e.g., septic systems) to ensure that systems are designed, constructed, and maintained properly, thus improving New Jersey's water quality and protecting human health and the environment.

Key Facts & Activities	2015 data
Number of system construction permits issued for installations of new systems	2
Number of system construction permits issued for repairs to existing system	47
Number of system construction permits issued for alterations to existing systems that don't expand the capacity of the system	20
Number of system construction permits issued for alterations to existing systems to expand the capacity of the system	1
Number of system construction permits issued for installation, repair, or alteration of advanced wastewater pretreatment systems	8
Number of system construction permits issued for installation, repair, or alteration of commercial facility systems	0
Number of systems in this municipality	2200
Are required system construction inspections performed by the health department ?	Yes.
Number of unduplicated noncompliant systems identified	27
Number of reality transfer system inspection reports reviewed	64
Number of systems identified as noncompliant as a result of review of reality transfer system inspection reports	27
Does the health department have a septic management program in place?	Yes, town is covered by septic management program
Number of septic management program inspection reports reviewed by the health department	624
Number of system investigations conducted by the health department	2

The data on this page applies to: Montgomery Twp.

Potable Wells and Drinking Water Safety

The Health Department reviews water test results submitted under the Private Well Testing Act requirements for home sales.

We also monitor commercial and community facilities where well water is used, to make sure they are following NJDEP requirements.

The Health Department inspects installations of new wells, and repairs of older wells.

Key Facts & Activities	2015 data
Number of potable well certificates of compliance issued	1
Number of unduplicated potable wells inspected	11
Number of public water system complaints received	2
Number of potable well investigations conducted	0
Number of potable well inspections conducted	11
Number of potable well investigations where the health department determined well water to be hazardous to humans	0

The data on this page applies to: Hopewell Boro, Montgomery Twp, Rocky Hill Boro, Pennington Boro.

Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention and Control

***Lead continues to be a major preventable cause of developmental delays in children
It can be found in old paint, old plumbing, and imported pottery or home remedies***

Montgomery Health Department works with its regional partners to ***treat and monitor children*** who have elevated lead levels in their blood.

More importantly, we work to ***prevent lead poisoning in the first place***. We provide education and referrals to make sure parents can protect their families from lead hazards.

The good news:
Lead poisoning is **100% preventable.**

Take these steps to make your home lead-safe.

-  Talk with your child's doctor about a simple blood lead test. If you are pregnant or nursing, talk with your doctor about exposure to sources of lead.
-  Talk with your local health department about testing paint and dust in your home for lead if you live in a home built before 1978.
-  Renovate safely. Common renovation activities (like sanding, cutting, replacing windows, and more) can create hazardous lead dust. If you're planning renovations, use contractors certified by the Environmental Protection Agency (visit www.epa.gov/lead for information).
-  Remove recalled toys and toy jewelry from children and discard as appropriate. Stay up-to-date on current recalls by visiting the Consumer Product Safety Commission's website: www.cpsc.gov.

 Visit www.cdc.gov/nceh/lead to learn more.