

Why have a School-Linked Health Center?

- ◆ To decrease school absenteeism due to illness.
- ◆ To help our students stay healthy and stay in school by offering health care that addresses all their needs and is easily accessible.
- ◆ To provide health education that can help in developing healthy habits and reducing risky behaviors regardless of income or insurance coverage.
- ◆ To provide health care by detection and treatment for physical, emotional, or mental health problems before they become serious or life-threatening regardless of income or insurance coverage.
- ◆ Increase the quality of the learning experience by keeping children well and in school.
- ◆ Keep children well by promoting prevention of the health risks through education in the clinic and school setting.

How do we meet these goals?

By offering age appropriate care. Because the Health Center serves only school age children & adolescents, we are able to concentrate our resources on the specific and unique concerns of this population.

By providing accessibility. Because of our affiliation to schools and our relationship to school nurses, referrals to the Center are done in an efficient manner. Ill students requiring an office visit and /or prescriptions can almost always be seen on the same day as referral. Follow up with the student is enhanced by the collaboration present between the School-Linked Health Center and the schools.

What services do we offer?

We offer a complete range of health care services, including:

- ◆ School physicals
- ◆ Sports physicals
- ◆ Immunizations, TB Skin Tests
- ◆ Management of Chronic Conditions such as Asthma, Diabetes, etc.
- ◆ Emergency Care & Referrals
- ◆ Treatment for illnesses and injuries
- ◆ Help with medications
- ◆ On-site simple lab tests such as Hemoglobin, Blood Sugar, Lead, Lipid Profile
- ◆ Health Education and Counseling
 - Abstinence
 - Nutrition
 - Eating Disorders
 - Fitness & hygiene
 - Risky Lifestyles
 - Drugs, Alcohol, Tobacco
 - Substance Abuse
 - HIV/AIDS/STDs
 - Violence Prevention
 - Family Relations
 - Self-Esteem

Services continued.

- ◆ Short Term Counseling
- ◆ Medical, mental health and social service referrals
- ◆ Dental Services
 - Preventive care including exams, cleaning, fluoride treatments, sealants, fillings and extractions.

Who provides the services?

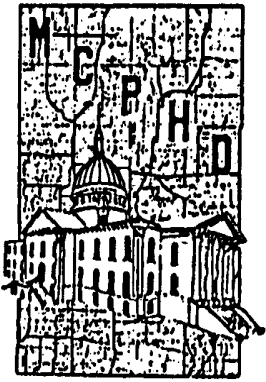
- Certified nurse practitioners
- Licensed physicians
- Registered nurses
- Licensed dentists
- Counselor
- Professional health educators in the participating schools

Where are we located?

109 East Maple St.
Gillespie, Illinois 62033
Ph: 217-839-1526

Who can participate?

The Macoupin County Community School Linked Health Center will provide services for children ages 3 to 20 that are enrolled in participating school districts. To receive medical services the child must be enrolled in the School Linked Program and must bring along a medical card or proof of income for the sliding fee scale.



Your Health Center provides:

- ✓ Complete health and counseling services in a caring and comfortable atmosphere.
- ✓ Strict confidentiality
- ✓ Professional referrals for services not offered at the Health Center.



A service provided by the Macoupin County Public Health Department

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