# BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING June 12, 2007 DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

**DEPARTMENT: Laboratory** 

## **REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF May 2007**

### **Highlights:**

- <u>Clinical Chemistry</u>: Jeannie Mandujano, our temporary phlebotomist, finished her term of employment with the health department on May 29. She did an excellent job. During the month of April we forwarded 4 specimens to All Saints for processing (3 wellness panels, 1 glucose, and 2 hemoglobin A1c tests).
- <u>Microbiology</u>: No clinical microbiology was performed. Beach sampling began May 25<sup>th</sup>. As of May 31<sup>st</sup> there were no water quality advisories.
- <u>Blood Lead</u>: Fifty-one clients had their blood drawn for lead testing in May, 22 were venous and 29 were capillary draws. Beginning June 1<sup>st</sup> all draws will be capillary unless the client has a previously elevated lead level.
- The laboratory has received approximately \$76,000 in new grant funds for environmental monitoring and research efforts in 2007. We also are finishing a previously awarded project whose award was for approximately \$22,000. We have three outstanding grant proposals which we anticipate decisions on in June or July.

### **Productivity Measures:**

Productivity Measures	Monthly	YTD
Clinical Chemistry:		
Patients served	4	250
Tests performed (in-house)	0	1,250
Microbiology:		
Surface water samples	36	96
Well water samples	39	109
Throat cultures	0	32
Urine pregnancy tests	0	31

#### **Outcome Achievements:**

- Four storm water sampling event occurred as part of the 2006 WI Coastal Management Program grant
- The Great Lakes Protection Fund has invited a full proposal, due June 30th.
- A total of 5 new research assistants were hired in May bring the total to six.
- Stephan Kurdas began work on May 25<sup>th</sup>. He will be responsible for routine beach monitoring. Stephan is a returning employee.
- Emily Junion started on May 29<sup>th</sup> and Justine Preedit started on May 30<sup>th</sup>. They will be working on the USEPA beach sanitary survey pilot projects in Racine, Kenosha, Oak Creek,

- and South Milwaukee. The grant supports our cooperative effort with surrounding communities.
- The other 2 students will begin work the first week of June. Tristan Begotka will be working on the baseline water quality assessment of the Root River and Adrian Koski will be working on the WI UW-Oshkosh *Cladophora* (algae) study.
- Additional grant funding was received and our current research assistant, Jennifer Lavender, will continue to be employed through July of 2008.

# MEETINGS/TRAINING May

Date	Staff	Conf./Training Place	Purpose
5/7	J. Kinzelman	UW-Parkside	Gave presentation in
			Adventures in Lifelong
			Learning series
5/10	J. Kinzelman	City Hall	Meet with Mallard Shore
			home owners association
			regarding water testing
5/14	J. Kinzelman	Pier WI, Milwaukee, WI	SE WI Beach Task Force
			public meeting – give
			presentation
5/16	J. Kinzelman	City Hall Annex	Root-Pike WIN Resource
			Group meeting – explain
			grant proposal
5/21-5/23	J. Kinzelman	Toronto, Ontario, Canada	Present research poster at
			American Society for
			Microbiology annual meeting
5/23	J. Kinzelman	Chavez Community Center	Lifeguard training
5/23	J. Kinzelman	City Hall	USGS conference call
5/24	J. Kinzelman	City Hall	EPA Beach Sanitary Survey
			conference call
5/25	J. Kinzelman	City Hall	Great Lakes Protection Fund
			conference call
5/29	J. Kinzelman	Kenosha County Parks	Meet with Parks employee
			regarding summer sampling
5/30	J. Kinzelman	City Hall	Meet with Rick Jones and
			environmental contractors to
			discuss 2007 storm water
			outfall monitoring
5/31	J. Kinzelman	Gateway	Team Building excercise