

**BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING**  
**January 9, 2007**  
**DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

**DEPARTMENT: Laboratory**

**REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF December 2006**

**Highlights:**

- **Clinical Chemistry:** Shahla ran cholesterol panels on 98 employees of A & E Hand Tools which we drawn by Michele Breheim as part of Debbie Herz-Mazius worksite wellness promotion program. Julie and Shahla were fit-tested and given new respirators.
- **Microbiology:** The laboratory was inspected the WI Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection for our water and dairy testing programs. The inspection went well with the laboratory receiving only a minor deficiency with regard to our pH meter.
- **Blood Lead:** Sixty-eight patient samples were screened for lead poisoning in December. There were no elevated blood lead results reported.

**Productivity Measures:**

<b>Productivity Measures</b>	<b>Monthly</b>	<b>YTD</b>
<b>Clinical Chemistry:</b>		
Patients served	224	1,569
Tests performed	1,495	13,236
<b>Microbiology:</b>		
Surface water samples	0	817
Well water samples	15	348
Throat cultures	9	132
Urine pregnancy tests	9	95
<b>Blood Lead:</b>		
Patients served	68	798
Tests	133	1,549
Samples sent to WSLH	0	0

**Outcome Achievements:**

- Julie gave an oral presentation to the Milwaukee Microbiology Society on December 13<sup>th</sup>; the title of the talk was “How a small public health laboratory does microbiology to solve local issues – Improving recreational water quality in Racine.”
- The Racine Health Department laboratory was visited by representatives from the Government Accounting Office in Washington, DC on December 5th. They were interested in collecting information about Racine’s beach monitoring, research, and management programs and in determining how funding under the US EPA BEACH Act of 2000 has benefited our community.

- Three graduate students were interviewed for the intern position funded by the WI Coastal Management Program grant. Jennifer Lavender, a MS student in UW-Parkside's Applied Molecular Program was selected. Jennifer began work on December 18<sup>th</sup> and will be working 20 hours per week through June 30, 2007.

**MEETINGS/TRAINING  
DECEMBER**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Staff</b>	<b>Conf./Training Place</b>	<b>Purpose</b>
12/1	J. Kinzelman	City Hall	Family Practice resident tour
12/1,12/4	J. Kinzelman	City Hall	Student interviews
12/5	J. Kinzelman	City Hall	Meet with GAO
12/5	J. Kinzelman	City Hall	Council
12/6	J. Kinzelman	WI Dells	Local Public Health Laboratory Network - quarterly meeting
12/12	J. Kinzelman	City Hall	Board of Health
12/13	J. Kinzelman	City Hall	Teleconference – Packaging and shipping of chemical agents
12/13	J. Kinzelman	UW-Milwaukee WATER Institute	Milwaukee Microbiology Society seminar
12/20	J. Kinzelman B. Bagley S. Anders	City Hall	WDATCP lab inspection
12/21	J. Kinzelman	City Hall	GLSLCI Beach Standards conference call