QUARTERLY REPORT

Burke County Public Health

FY 2025-2026 Quarter 1

QUARTERLY HIGHLIGHTS

- Finalized 2025 Burke County Community Health Assessment
- Epi Team Launched and received State Training
- Welcomed 4 new members to our team
- Between July 1 and September 30, 2025, WIC staff completed 233 new applications and recorded 2,310 kept appointments
- The entire team completed all required FEMA ICS trainings, including ICS 100, 200, 700, 800, 120, and 2200.
- Across Women's Health, Primary Care, General Clinic, Communicable Disease, and Child Health programs, staff served a total of 599 patients.
- Abstracts were accepted to: NCPHA, APHA, and a paper published to the Journal of Appalachian Health.
- From July through September, 174 septic applications were received—51 in July, 51 in August, and 72 in September. A total of 60 septic permits and 15 well permits were issued

HEALTH EDUCATION & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



- Completed the 2025 Burke County Community Health Assessment
- Attended a Local Review Team and a Public Information Officer Training
- Participated in local events such as the Freedom High School Health Fair and the Burke United Christian Ministries Point In Time Count

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

- 174 septic applications were received:
  - 51 in July, 51 in August, and 72 in September

•The team also completed 54 operation permits and installations and collected 14 water samples

- 35% of required Food and Lodging inspections have been completed to date

•11 new restaurants permitted

•Intern Elizabeth Nesbitt permitted in Onsite Waste Water



CLINIC & LAB SERVICES



- Across Women's Health, Primary Care, General Clinic, Communicable Disease, and Child Health programs, staff served a total of 599 patients.
- Lab performed 1,708 tests
- Hosted a successful Immunization Clinic on September 17th, serving 40 students

CARE MANAGEMENT & WIC

- CMHRP and CMARC caseloads continue to grow
- Graduations show positive outcomes
- WIC maintained strong performance averaging 104%
- WIC breastfeeding peer counselors have made 135 contacts with families



LEADERSHIP & STAFF DEVELOPMENT



- Two employees won awards at the North Carolina Public Health Association Conference.
- Two others gave presentations to share Burke County's innovative public health work.
- A staff paper was published in the Journal of Appalachian Health.
- Leadership completed Lean 300 training to improve efficiency and teamwork.
- The department took part in a statewide Emergency Operations Center drill to boost emergency preparedness.

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE

- In July, the department held its annual All Staff Training Day with sessions on safety, workplace violence prevention, engagement, HIPAA, and progress on the Strategic Plan.
- All staff completed FEMA ICS Trainings
- Staff joined a week-long preparedness training in Statesville with North Carolina Emergency Management



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2024 Dr. Sarah Taylor Morrow Health Department of the Year