



MARION COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

# Board Session Agenda Review Form

Meeting date: Wednesday, April 2nd, 2025 9:00am

Department: Health & Human Services

Title: Proclamation for National Public Health Week

Management Update/Work Session Date: 3/18/2025 Audio/Visual aids

Time Required: 10 Contact: Samantha Andress Phone: x4903

Requested Action: Adopt proclamation declaring April 7-13, 2025 as National Public Health Week.

Issue, Description & Background: Marion County Public Health is dedicated to promoting and protecting the health of residents throughout the county. Our origins date back to 1925 with the establishment of the Marion County Child Health Demonstration. Since then, our programs and services have expanded to encompass a wide range of initiatives, including Communicable Disease, Clinical Preventive Services, Health Promotion and Prevention, Emergency Preparedness, Environmental Health, and Maternal and Child Health Services. As we celebrate National Public Health Week in 2025, we honor Marion County's longstanding commitment to public health and the decades of progress made in serving our community.

Financial Impacts: N/A

Impacts to Department & External Agencies: N/A

List of attachments: Proclamation, Presentation

Presenter: Katie Mannina, Wendy Zieker

Department Head Signature: Ryan Matthews Digitally signed by Ryan Matthews Date: 2025.03.18 14:21:51 -07'00'

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

FOR MARION COUNTY, OREGON

In the matter of proclaiming the week of April )  
7-13, 2025 as National Public Health Week in )  
Marion County. )  
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**PROCLAMATION**

This matter came before the Marion County Board of Commissioners at its regularly scheduled public meeting on April 2, 2025.

WHEREAS, communities around the nation observe the first full week of April as National Public Health Week; and

WHEREAS, Marion County’s theme for National Public Health Week in 2025 is “Rooted in History, Growing in Health”; and

WHEREAS, Marion County is committed to building a healthier community, where all residents have the opportunity to live fulfilling and meaningful lives; and

WHEREAS, the Early Childhood Nursing Program and WIC support families through regular assessments and education on pregnancy, parenting, nutrition, safety, and child development;

WHEREAS, the Communicable Disease program and the Public Health Clinic safeguard against the spread of disease in the community and provide testing and immunizations;

WHEREAS, Emergency Preparedness ensures residents are prepared to prevent, respond, and recover from emergencies or serious incidents;

WHEREAS, the Environmental Health Program enforces health and safety regulations and keeps our drinking water safe;

WHEREAS, the Health Promotion and Prevention Program engages and empowers communities to choose healthy behaviors, prevent chronic disease, and promote health and wellness;

WHEREAS, Marion County Health and Human Services continues to promote the health and well-being of county residents; now therefore,

IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED that the week of April 7-13, 2025 is National Public Health Week  
in Marion County.

DATED at Salem, Oregon, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

MARION COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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Commissioner

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Health & Human Services

# National Public Health Week

April 7-13, 2025

Rooted in History, Growing in Health

HHS' Public Health Division works collaboratively with our community to promote and protect the health of the public and to achieve optimal health through prevention, education, and advocacy.

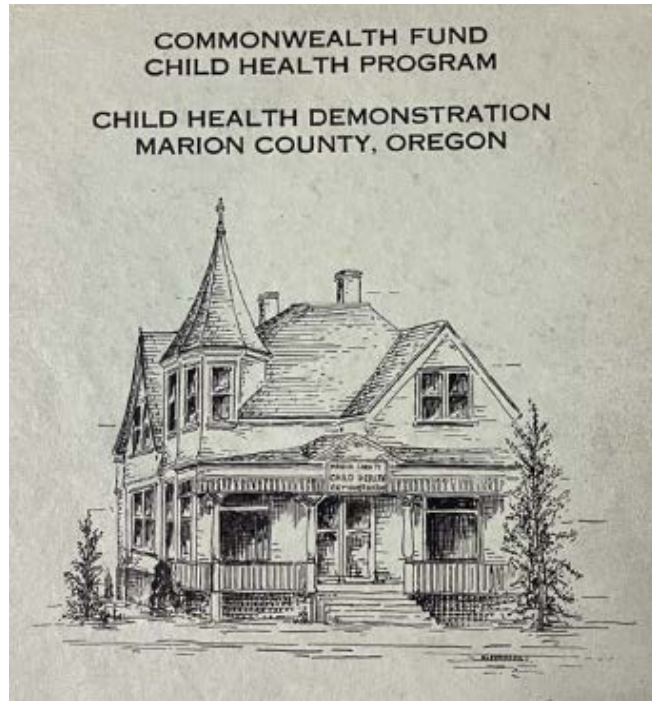


NATIONAL  
**PUBLIC  
HEALTH**  
WEEK

The theme for this year's National Public Health Week is  
**“Rooted in History, Growing in Health.”**

Marion County has a rich history of promoting and protecting the health of the community, spanning back to its origins in 1925. Since then, Marion County Public Health has continued to expand its services and programs to improve health and well being for all people in Marion County.

# Rooted in History, Growing in Health



The Child Health Demonstration began in 1925. (Second Annual Report, 1926)



3180 Center Street building in 1975



Marion County Public Health is currently based out of 3160 Center Street

# Maternal and Child Health Services



A Public Health Nurse weighs an infant during an assessment. (Children of the Covered Wagon, 1930)



A Public Health Nurse provides education on using formula. (Children of the Covered Wagon, 1930)



A Public Health Nurse takes a mother's blood pressure. (Undated)

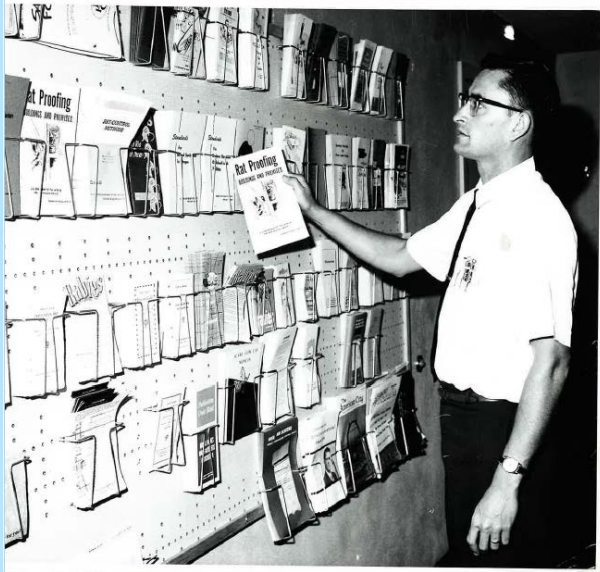


Public Health Nurse Cindy Cofer provides education. (2020)

We currently provide education, guidance, screening, and assessments for parents and children through Early Childhood Nursing and WIC.



# Environmental Health



Pamphlets on rodent control, rat proofing, and rabies. (Undated)



Environmental Health Specialists conduct inspections (Photo from 2023)



The Environmental Health team (2024)

The Environmental Health Program enforces health and safety regulations and keeps our drinking water safe.



# Health Education



Health Habit Game played by first graders in 1930.



Marion County students participating in ILEAD, a youth leadership summit. (2024)



Marion County's only Health Educator speaking to a class in 1948.

The Public Health Division has Health Educators across the following programs:

- Health Promotion and Prevention
- Clinical Preventive Services
- Communicable Disease

# Communicable Disease & Clinical Preventive Services



A Public Health Nurse tests for diphtheria. (1930)



Our HIV/Early Intervention Services and Outreach team provides mobile testing for HIV and syphilis

The Communicable Disease program and the Public Health Clinic safeguard against the spread of disease in the community and provide testing and immunizations.

Marion County Public Health continues to strive for optimal health, just as the first Public Health team did nearly 100 years ago. Since then, we have grown into many programs and positions that work together to protect Marion County residents from disease, promote healthy choices and well-being, and respond in case of an emergency. We are honored to serve our community.

**THANK YOU!**

