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FALL 2014



Cruise on Over

The Fall Cocktail Party took attendees on a walk down memory lane with a night of “retro” fun and an amazing classic car collection!

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ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA

- **2014 Year in Review**
KCMS President
Donald P. Condit, MD, MBA
- **Election of New Officers**
- **Appointment of Delegates
and Alternate Delegates**
- **Installation of 2015
KCMS President**
David E. Hammond, MD



KCMS 112TH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERSHIP

Saturday, January 17, 2015

Immediately following January 17 Educational Event
Prince Conference Center, Calvin College
1800 East Beltline SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49546

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by January 6, 2015

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It was a night of classics, friendships
and good food...for Kent County
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Osteopathic Association and the Kent
County Medical Society Alliance.

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In Memoriam

LEROY E. STRONG, MD

Dr. Leroy Strong passed away September 23, 2014. He earned his medical degree from the University of Michigan School of Medicine. Following his graduation, Dr. Strong began an internship at William Beaumont Army Hospital at El Paso, Texas where he specialized in aviation medicine and ophthalmology. He was active in the US Army Reserve until his honorable discharge in 1984. Dr. Strong retired from the US Army as a Lieutenant Colonel. He completed his residency in ophthalmology at Washington University in St. Louis School of Medicine and then began a private practice for ophthalmological surgery in Grand Rapids, which he continued until his retirement in 2004.

ROY A. DAVIS, MD

Dr. Roy Davis passed away August 31, 2014. He completed his education at Hope College in Holland, Michigan, and earned his medical degree from Wayne State University School of

Medicine in Detroit, Michigan. Dr. Davis served as Captain in the US Navy during World War II. He then served as a medical missionary to Nigeria for the Christian Reformed Church. Dr. Davis practiced medicine for over 30 years in a private family practice, Ferris State College, and Kent Community Hospital in Grand Rapids. After retirement, he served as a short-term missionary in Niger, Nepal, and various Native American reservation health clinics.

ERNEST V QUIROZ, MD

Dr. Ernest Vender Quiroz passed away October 15, 2014. Dr. Quiroz graduated from Michigan State University School of Medicine in 1980 and completed his residency at Mercy Health Saint Mary's in 1984. He served faithfully in family practice with Mercy Health Physician Partners for 27 years, three of which he spent as Chief of Staff at St. Mary's. Dr. Quiroz was committed to the Hispanic community through his work at the Clinica Santa Maria.

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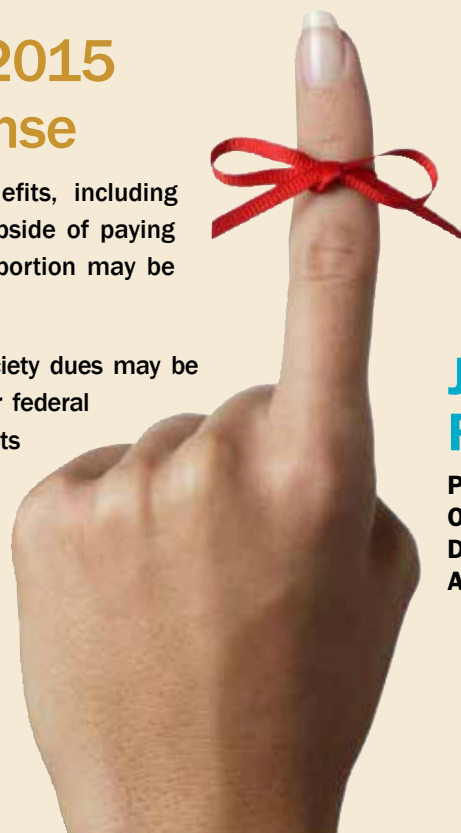
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Tax Deductibility of Your 2015 Dues as a Business Expense

In addition to the many tangible membership benefits, including preservation of our nation-leading tort reforms, the upside of paying dues to your professional association is that a large portion may be included as a deduction in your federal business taxes.

This year, 98 percent of your Kent County Medical Society dues may be included as an itemized business tax deduction on your federal income tax form. Michigan State Medical Society reports that 92 percent of your Michigan State Medical Society dues may be used as an itemized business tax deduction.

Consult with your tax advisor to determine exactly how to include your professional dues as a deduction on your IRS tax forms.



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KCMS MEETINGS OF INTEREST

JANUARY 17, 2015
KCMS EDUCATIONAL UPDATE
7:00 AM - 12:45 PM
Calvin College
Prince Conference Center
Call 458-4157 or email
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Board of Directors and KCMS Delegation. This meeting will be immediately followed by a discussion on the House of Delegates to be held in Grand Rapids in May 2015.

JANUARY 17, 2015
KCMS ANNUAL MEETING & MEMBERS' LUNCHEON
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE KCMS EDUCATIONAL EVENT
Calvin College
Prince Conference Center
Please join us for our Annual Membership Meeting and Election of the 2015 KCMS

MAY 2-3, 2015
HOUSE OF DELEGATES
Amway Grand Plaza,
Grand Rapids

OUR MISSION:

The Kent County Medical Society is a professional association, uniting the physicians in Kent County into a mutual, neutral organization; preserving and promoting the health of the citizens of Kent County, the physician/patient relationship, the medical profession, and the interests of physicians.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Recibe Más



Donald P. Condit, MD, MBA
KCMS President,
Board of Directors

“Se recibe más de lo que se da” (you receive more than you give) expresses well our family’s sentiment after a recent medical mission in Central America.

Salvadorans seem so grateful for medical care. I’ve heard this said of Hondurans, Peruvians, and Haitians. Even the limited care we can provide prompts sincere gestures of thanks, fruit, eggs, or even the whole chicken. What a contrast to disheartening patient surveys or snarky internet comments at home when we get behind in the office! These patients often travel many miserable miles and wait for hours in the heat while swatting bugs without any complaint.

Leaving behind the EMR, CPT billing, ICD-10 coding, meaningful use criteria, defensive medicine, and demanding regulations to just focus on taking care of the patient prompts considering cancelling the flight home.

Our family has certainly been blessed by participating in medical missions. Just a week in an impoverished developing world country provides tremendous remedy for a United States’ teenager self-centeredness. Exposing our children to international service stimulated a desire to serve beyond anything my high school friends and I ever seemed to consider. This year Sue and I were certainly proud to work alongside our dentist son and daughter-in-law, critical-care nurse daughter, a brother, a nephew and many other families and friends. International friendships have enriched our family and our kid’s facebook contacts beyond imagination.

Many physicians feel their vocation includes teaching. International service work often provides that opportunity. Our team was supported by medical students who served as translators and were most enthusiastic learners. Taking a resident along can

be both helpful for the medical or surgical team and, more importantly, a fantastic educational experience. Teaching a teen to tie a suture may ignite a passion for a career of service

These trips have their costs and concerns though.

Concern for the safety of my family and team does keep me up some nights. Was that a firecracker or a gunshot? Will that barking dog bite? Did that mosquito bite just give the gift of Chickungunya that will keep on giving long after we return? What about my practice back home? Travel is expensive and ever-more-unpredictable. You might not be back to the office Monday...and the list goes on. A service organization with a track record of safety and strong local support seems critical, especially when bringing your family along.

Doctors will be confronted by overwhelming medical problems and lack of resources. The Serenity prayer for the “wisdom to know the difference” helps. The best answer for some problems, particularly as a surgeon, may be not to operate. A well-intentioned procedure might become a disaster for the patient, an impossible problem for the local doctors after you leave, and an unfortunate label for your organization.

Your medications can be confiscated at the border. The cautery unit could be dropped on the floor. The operating lights might go out. Your assistant may pass out. Bugs love to land on your sterile field. You will have to adapt. However, on medical missions you will *recibir más de lo que se da*.

2014 KCMS/KCOA Member Referral Guide

The 2014 KCMS/KCOA Member Referral Guide will provide information for your office team (as identified by managers and their staff members). It is hoped that this format will help your staff in finding contact information for those in a specific discipline and at various locations. One referral book will be sent to your office. Please use this form to order more copies.

2014 KCMS/KCOA Membership Referral Guide Order Form

Yes. I'd like to order additional referral guides (\$20 each) **Quantity:** _____ **Total:** \$ _____

Name/Contact Person: _____

Practice Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ Ordered By (Print Name): _____

Return form and payment to: Kent County Medical Society | 233 East Fulton, Suite 222 | Grand Rapids, MI 49503
Make checks payable to Kent County Medical Society. Please contact the office at 616-458-4157 with questions.



Justices Re-elected

Justices David Viviano and Brian Zahra were successful in their re-election bids in the recent mid-term elections. A special thank you to those who helped members learn more about the judges running for office:

- **Sue and Donald Condit, MD, MBA**
- **Elizabeth and Joseph Junewick, MD**
- **Rose Ramirez, MD and John vanSchagen, MD**
- **Michigan Doctors' Political Action Committee (MDPAC)**





November CME Event

More than 50 members and other attendees participated in the November 1 KCMS CME event. Special thanks to the speakers who provided updates on various topics. A special program on Sex Trafficking was made possible with the assistance of Detective Sergeant Edward Price of the Michigan State Police and Andy Soper, a consultant with Five Arrows Consulting.





Event Sponsor Lake Michigan Credit Union raffled off Grand Rapids Griffins tickets for four; Dr. Gary N. Humphries was the winner.

Door prizes were won by Liga Talbergs, MD and Meridell Gracias, DNP, MSN; David Whalen, MD and Leena Mammen, MD.



Medical Office for Lease Available January 1, 2015

Medical office available in the Heritage Hill district of Grand Rapids. Located on the first floor of the Masonic Center Building on the NE corner of Fulton St. and Lafayette Ave., directly between Spectrum Health and Mercy Health hospitals.

- 840 sq. ft. suite consists of an ample waiting room, business office, 3 exam rooms and a lab area.
- A great value at \$1,247.10 / mo. Includes: electric, water, heat/ AC, daily housekeeping services, on site maintenance as well as FREE employee and patient parking.
- There are no pass thru or core factor costs. Our space is measured on the usable method which means that you are not paying for any common areas or core factors. (Huge advantage for the tenant!)
- Flexible lease terms of 1-3 years.

Call Tom with questions or to schedule a showing at 616-458-4157.

Hurry, it won't last long on the market!



Cruise on Over

The fifties-themed event planned by Karen Begrow and Dee Federico was held at Good Friends Auto. All had a great time!





MICHIGAN STATE MEDICAL SOCIETY

Immunization Reform

The Michigan State Medical Society (MSMS) has been meeting with physicians, public health officials, legislators and media representatives to address the high percentage of non-vaccinated individuals in Michigan. Our State has the distinction of ranking the fourth highest in parents seeking waivers to vaccine requirements.

According to the Detroit Free Press of the 125,000 2013 kindergartners, 7,300 or 5.5% were not vaccinated. One reason that Michigan has such a high number of exemptions is that state law permits philosophical waivers and allows a very liberal interpretation of that law. Four out of five Michigan immunization waivers are for philosophical reasons. School systems now have less than 72% of their young children and 63% of adolescents fully vaccinated. Cases of whooping cough and measles are on the rise.

Families travel and bring back diseases. A major epidemic could sweep across Michigan. In order to protect the most vulnerable in our state a proposal has been filed by the Department of Community Health with the Secretary of State to request changes to the 1978

Michigan Public Health Code. This is being done in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act (PA306). On November 5, 2014, a Public Hearing was held in Lansing with only supporters in attendance. The rule changes and public responses go to the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules (JCAR) for final consideration. The Department of Public Health must adopt the rule changes before January 1 or the whole procedure must begin again.

In order to protect the most vulnerable in our state a proposal has been filed by the Department of Community Health with the Secretary of State to request changes to the 1978 Michigan Public Health Code.

The modification to the Public Health Code that should have the greatest impact on Michigan's immunization statistics is the addition of informed consent. Each individual requesting an exemption must receive local health education on the benefits of vaccinations and the risks of not receiving the vaccines being waived. All requests must be submitted using the form prescribed by the State and have to be certified by the local health department. Also, if a health official suspects that a student has a communicable disease that student may be excluded from school for a period sufficient to obtain determination of health by a physician or local health officer. All students lacking documentation of immunity or considered susceptible to a communicable disease will be restricted from attending school until there is no risk of disease spread.

MSMS/A is placing immunization awareness as one of its most important projects for 2014-2015. Kent, Muskegon and the Tri-Counties Medical Society Alliances have held public, informational meetings about the need to immunize. Support is needed to push this effort forward. Contact Andrew Schepers or Steve Japinga at MSMS for more information.



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KENT COUNTY OSTEOPATHIC ASSOCIATION

Happy Thanksgiving

With the mid-term elections behind us, the KCOA, Michigan Osteopathic Association and others will monitor how the results might impact our practices but also our patients access to them as well.

The MOA held its annual Autumn Convention and a CME during the weekend of October 31 to November 2. We trust all who attended found the information beneficial and time well spent. Many KCOA Members were in attendance and/or served as presenters.

In the upcoming quarter there are going to be some changes to our organization as a whole. The MOA in the most recent House of Delegates voted to consolidate some of the inactive county societies into those that are more active. As a result the KCOA is in closer partnership with neighboring county societies to represent

a larger portion of the state of Michigan. Our region includes Ottawa, Kent, Ionia, Garriott, Mecosta, and Montcalm counties.

As a group we continue to meet to discuss new ways that we can benefit your investment. Please feel free to contact any of our board members if you have an idea or suggestion of how we can better serve you.

As an organization, we hope that everyone is having a good start to the winter season here in Michigan, here's hoping that it is not as oppressive as last year.

KCOA Member Recognized



Laura VanderMolen, DO was recognized at the Annual YWCA Tribute Awards Celebration. Since 2001, Dr. Laura has served as the Medical Director Health Intervention Services (HIS) in Grand Rapids. The clinic offers medical, dental, vision, primary care, gynecology, pediatrics and counseling. Dr. VanderMolen was one of the founding members of Project Access, a joint program of the KCMS and KCOA, providing leadership and expertise in serving patients from diverse backgrounds. Congratulations Laura on your well-deserved honor!

In Memoriam

RICHARD H. BETHUNE, DO

Dr. Richard Hall Bethune passed away November 10, 2014. He was a graduate from the Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine and practiced in general practice prior to entering a radiology Residency. He practiced for many years at Saginaw Osteopathic Hospital before moving to Grand Rapids and assuming leadership of the radiology department at the (then) Grand Rapids Osteopathic Hospital, now Metro Health Hospital.



KENT MEDICAL FOUNDATION



Phillip G. Wise, MD
KMF President,
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Welcome New Members

PAUL NICHOLSON

Paul Nicholson, Vice President with Macatawa Bank, has been a Portfolio Manager in the Wealth Management division for the past four years. He works with individuals, businesses and non-profits on their investments and strategies. He is also a Trust Officer. He has been in the financial services industry for nearly 15 years working with UBS, Edward Jones and Wausau Insurance Company. He lives in the Cascade area of Grand Rapids with his wife, Diane. They have two children, Daniel and Rachel, students in the Forest Hills Central School District. He is involved in his church, Ada Bible and Ottawa County United Way.



BONNIE GREVENGOED, CMPE

Bonnie has served as the Practice Administrator for Michigan Reproductive and IVF, PC (The Fertility Center) for more than 7 years. She has a long history in practice administration. She has served the Michigan group Managers Association - Midwest Section in various roles, and has served in Advisory and leadership rolls in the health care field during her entire career. She is a regular contributor to the KCMS/KCOA Bulletin and National MGMA leadership events and publications.



She and her husband, Daniel, have six children and reside in Grand Rapids.

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Leave a Legacy

Charitable giving is an important part of the legacy you choose to leave. At this time of year, many of us are considering our year-end philanthropic support. Please consider one of the non-profit charitable organizations associated with Kent County Medical Society. Checks should be endorsed to the specific agency you wish to support (see below). You may mail these checks in care of the Kent County Medical Society Office at 233 East Fulton, Suite 222; Grand Rapids, MI 49503. Each organization will issue a charitable receipt.

Did you know that, making charitable contributions through your will allows you to support the organizations you care about, while maximizing the tax benefits to your estate? You may make a bequest to any of these charities as well. You may also do so by creating a new will, providing an amendment to your existing will or naming one of them in your living trust. Simply use the following sample language.

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- Kent Medical Foundation
- KCMS Alliance Foundation

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Holiday Card Campaign

Share your holiday wishes while helping the Kent Medical Foundation raise funds to support community programs. Contribute to this annual campaign and your name will be listed among other donors who have also helped make the annual holiday card possible.

To participate, please donate by November 30:

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Contact the KMF Office at 616-458-4157 if you have questions.

Holiday Card Campaign Gifts received by November 30 will be included in the 2014 Holiday Card which will be mailed early in the week of December 1st.

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Holiday Card Campaign

YES, Count me/us in to continue the Kent Medical Foundation's mission to assist The Kent Medical Foundation in community outreach endeavors and health promotion projects. Please find my/our check enclosed for the following amount (contribution amounts are NOT disclosed on the card).

- \$1,000** **\$750** **\$500** **\$250** **\$100** **Other** _____

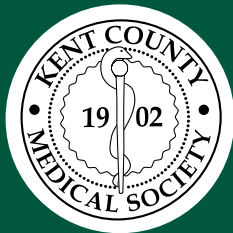
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Educational Update

2015

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January 17, 2015

The KCMS Educational Update will be followed by the KCMS Annual Meeting of the Membership.

Calvin College

Baxter Community Center

Ele's Place

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Beth Junewick
KCMS Alliance President

Alliance Heartbeat

What a whirlwind of activities this Fall. Your KCMS Alliance has been busy with membership recruitment events, family fun and health education sessions. Plan to join us at any of our functions (See dates of upcoming activities).

Join Us at Upcoming Alliance Events

Charity Ball Invitation Mailing

December 3

Home of Beth Junewick | 9:30-11:30 am
3840 Foxglove Ct. NE, Grand Rapids. Contact
ejunewick@gmail.com for more information

Holiday Open House

December 9

Home of Cynthia Matelic | 11 am-2 pm
7084 Riverwood Lane SE, Grand Rapids

Baxter Center Preschool Party

December 10

Baxter Community Center | 9-11 am
Contact Cynthia Matelic at matelicfam@att.net
with questions or to help.

Book Club

December 16

Schuler's on 28th Street | Noon
Ordinary Grace, William Kent Krueger.

KCMSA 25th Charity Ball

January 31, 2015

Cheney Place | 6-11:30 pm
Ball will benefit Ele's Place of Grand Rapids
and the Baxter Community Center. Contact
Karen Begrow at karenbegrow@gmail.com for
information on sponsorship or to help.

Ele's Place

Our September General Meeting was held at Ele's Place of Grand Rapids. We toured their facility and learned about the wonderful work they are doing to help grieving children and their families. After the meeting many of our members jumped on the Grand Rapids Trolley for a sneak peek of ArtPrize.





Immunization Conference

On October 14, we held an Immunization Conference at the Kent ISD Conference Center. Our audience was comprised representatives from almost every school district in greater Kent County as well as medical students, legislators and our Alliance members.





Orchard Gathering

We had a beautiful fall day for our family gathering at Schwallier's Country Basket. Amylynn Buchach planned a fantastic event with fun games, great activities, and delicious donuts and apple cider!



Trolley Event

Members of the KCMS Alliance were treated to a sneak peek of ArtPrize.





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Human Medicine

MSU COLLEGE OF HUMAN MEDICINE

Preparing for Reaccreditation

This year, the Michigan State University College of Human Medicine has been celebrating our 50th anniversary. We have hosted receptions in our campus communities this summer, with the college-wide celebration held in East Lansing, September 19-20, in conjunction with our alumni weekend.

For the first time, we presented a TEDx-style event called MSURx wherein a dozen speakers, ranging from alumni to philanthropists to faculty, shared their stories. Our annual Andrew D. Hunt Lecture began with a 1964-2014 video timeline of the college, followed by a panel discussion from two early College of Human Medicine leaders, Art Kohrman, MD, and Ruth Hoppe, MD. On Saturday, after the annual tailgate, the 50th anniversary celebration continued with our Golden Gala. If you have a chance, visit humanmedicine.msu.edu to see our 1964-2014 video and MSURx.

Another initiative for our college this year has been preparation for our reaccreditation with the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME). In July, the college submitted our self-study to the LCME and in late October, the LCME conducted their College of Human Medicine site visit to Grand Rapids, East Lansing, and Flint. The site visit team met with many students, faculty, and leaders of our partner health care systems. We were told that the LCME team was impressed by the culture of the College of Human Medicine in that we were uniformly student-focused in our approach to medical education. Our health system partners were all very helpful in endorsing the value that the College of Human Medicine has to their communities.

The College of Human Medicine is pleased to be a founding member of the Midwest Interprofessional Practice, Education, and Research Center (MIPERC), in partnership with Grand Valley State University (GVSU), Ferris State University (FSU), and the Grand

Rapids Medical Education Partners (GRMEP). This consortium was recently renamed from its original title, West Michigan Interprofessional Education Initiative (WMPEI), because we now share resources and best practices around the Midwestern states.

This fall, we will engage in our second large interprofessional education simulation, with our third-year MSU medical students, GVSU nursing students, and FSU doctor of pharmacy students meeting together. The students will work through two different cases played by simulated patients.

As most health professionals realize, patients often give different stories to different members of the health care team. In our simulations, students will be charged with planning together how to approach these complex cases, interviewing the patients, communicating about their assessments, and developing plans for care. This exercise received very favorable reviews from the students last spring.

We will be conducting a similar experience and including GVSU physical therapists in the spring of 2015. Our hope is that all of our students learn the importance of communication between health disciplines, as well as the value that each member of the health care team brings to providing quality, patient-centered care. Faculty members from the College of Human Medicine, the GVSU Kirkhoff College of Nursing, and FSU's pharmacy program will make a presentation about this program at an international meeting in the spring.



Notifiable Disease Report

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October, 2014

Notifiable diseases reported for Kent County residents through end of month listed above.

DISEASE	NUMBER REPORTED		MEDIAN CUMULATIVE
	This Month	Cumulative 2014	Through October 2009-2013
AIDS (Cumulative Total - 953)	3	13	25
AMEBIASIS	0	1	4
CAMPYLOBACTER	6	77	56
CHICKEN POX ^a	3	24	35
CHLAMYDIA	230	2986	2885
CRYPTOSPORIDIOSIS	0	17	14
Shiga Toxin Producing E. Coli ^b	0	12	N/A
GIARDIASIS	1	102	63
GONORRHEA	68	693	582
H. INFLUENZAE DISEASE, INV	1	6	2
HEPATITIS A	0	1	4
HEPATITIS B (Acute)	0	3	2
HEPATITIS C (Acute)	0	2	1
HEPATITIS C (Chronic/Unknown)	41	305	246
INFLUENZA-LIKE ILLNESS ^c	5347	33565	40347
LEGIONELLOSIS	0	4	9
LYME DISEASE	2	11	3
MENINGITIS, ASEPTIC	2	41	32
MENINGITIS, BACTERIAL, OTHER ^d	0	10	6
MENINGOCOCCAL DISEASE, INV	0	1	1
MUMPS	0	0	0
PERTUSSIS	0	12	8
SALMONELLOSIS	2	52	47
SHIGELLOSIS	0	8	6
STREP, GRP A, INV	0	29	20
STREP PNEUMO, INV	3	39	40
SYPHILIS (Primary & Secondary)	3	6	9
TUBERCULOSIS	0	6	16
WEST NILE VIRUS	0	1	0

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES OF LOW FREQUENCY

DISEASE	NUMBER REPORTED Cumulative 2014	DISEASE	NUMBER REPORTED Cumulative 2014
Vibriosis - Non Cholera	1		
Malaria	1		
Guillain-Barre Syndrome	1		
Kawasaki Disease	2		
Hemolytic Uremic Syndrome	1		

- a. Chickenpox cases are reported primarily from schools. Confirmed and probable cases are included.
 b. In November 2010, cases of *E. coli* O157:H7 were combined into the category "Shiga-toxin producing *E. coli* (STEC)"
 c. Includes "Influenza-Like Illness (ILI)" and lab-confirmed influenza. ILI cases have flu-like symptoms and are reported primarily by schools.
 d. "Meningitis, Bacterial, Other" includes meningitis and bacteremia caused by bacteria OTHER THAN *H. influenzae*, *N. meningitidis*, or *S. pneumoniae*.

Except for Chickenpox & Influenza-Like Illness, only confirmed cases (as defined by National Surveillance Case Definitions: <http://wwwn.cdc.gov/nndss/script/casedefDefault.aspx>) are included.
 Reports are considered provisional and subject to updating when more specific information becomes available.

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