

1. Call to Order
2. Introduction/Oath – Guy Daughtrey
3. Public Comments
4. Approval of November 18, 2025 Minutes
 - Motion _____
 - Second _____
5. Business
 - Financial Updates – Allie Pridgen (Director of Finance)
 - Public Health Updates
 - Health Director’s Updates – Mark J. Eanes, MD (District Health Director)
 - Infectious Disease- Teresa Hritz, (Infectious Disease Coordinator)
 - HOPWA- Terri Ball, (Housing Program Coordinator)
6. Health Department Updates – Rebecca Allgood, RN
7. Environmental Health Updates – Danielle Hurst, MPH
8. Epidemiology Updates – Ken Lowery, DrPH, MPH
9. Announcements
 - Next meeting May 19, 2026 at 12:00pm (Budget Meeting)
10. Adjournment





Cook County Board of Health Meeting

MINUTES

November 18, 2025 | 12:00 P.M. | Cook County Health Department

Cook County

Members Present

Dr. Tom Fausett, Chairman
Mayor Buddy Duke, Secretary
Col. (Ret.) Ronald Mitchell
Terry McCain
Joy Folsom

Members Absent

Guy Daughtrey
Shelva Keeley, Vice-Chairman

Others Present

Dr. Mark Eanes
Dwain Butler
Allie Pridgen
Karen Harrison
Kirbi Spires
Ken Lowery
Rebecca Allgood
Danielle Hurst
Beth Magsanay

Call to Order

Dr. Fausett called the meeting to order at 12:05 PM.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Approval of Previous Minutes

Col (Ret) Ronald Mitchell made a motion to approve the minutes as written for August 19, 2025, meeting. Terry McClain seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Business (See Attachments)

Financial Updates – Allie Pridgen, (Director of Finance) (See Attachments)

- Ms. Pridgen presented The Revenue and Expense Summary Report for July 1, 2025 – September 30, 2025.
- Ms. Pridgen stated there have been no changes since our last board meeting.

Public Health Updates – Mark J. Eanes, MD (District Health Director)

- Dr. Eanes reviewed with the board the Quarterly Customer Feedback Report for July-September 2025. Cook County Health Department scored a 5 in all categories on the customer satisfaction survey.
- Dr. Eanes shared with the board that the Georgia House of Representatives appointed a sub-committee for Rural Health Funding. Noted Dexter Sharper from Valdosta serves on the committee. Dr. Eanes pointed out that board members can approach their legislators with any concerns.
- Dr. Eanes reviewed with the board the Conflict-of-Interest Policy. All Board members were asked to sign the annual conflict of interest disclosure form and return it as soon as possible.
- Dr. Eanes stated a legislative law was passed last year that required AED's to be placed in every school and public facility. Along with the requirement, it had to be under supervision of a physician. An allowance was made through the Georgia Composite Medical Board for a non-physician be able to sign this if the school chooses to. A copy of law and guidance was provided to each board member.

- Dr. Eanes stated South Health District continues to monitor the government shutdown. Services have not been affected.
- Dr. Eanes informed the board of State Department of Health travel restrictions through January 2026.
- Dr. Eanes updated the board on flu.
- Dr. Eanes reminded the board members flu vaccine are available to the ones who would like to get it.
- Dr. Eanes stated Mr. Butler is sending out a community health assessment and asked them to please take the time to fill out and send back in.
- Dr. Eanes shared the Executive Leadership Team from our district office is holding town hall meetings with each county health department and programs to discuss any concerns that may have and need to be addressed.
- Dr. Eanes updated the board regarding the changes with our banking system.
- Dr. Eanes announced our district hired a consultant that will come into the district health departments to guide coding and billing.
- Dr. Eanes introduced Kirbi Spires with Children's Medical Service and Ken Lowery with Epidemiology.

Children's Medical Services– Kirbi Spires, BSN, RNC-OB, C-EFM (See Attachment)

- Ms. Spires introduced herself to the board.
- Ms. Spires stated Children Medical Services provides medical care for disabling conditions or chronic diseases for children from birth to age 21. Eligibility for CMS is based on income, type of medical condition, and age.
- Ms. Spires noted Children's Medical Services offers specialty clinics which are orthopedic, endocrinology, cardiology, pulmonology, nephrology, hematology, surgery, and genetics.
- Ms/ Spires added Children's Medical Service provides case management for children with hearing, vision, neurological, and maxillofacial conditions.
- Ms. Spires informed the board Children's Medical Service partners with The Children's Hospital of Georgia in Augusta.
- Ms. Spires stated Children's Medical Service is a great program of which the main goal is to make sure children reach their full potential by having the specialty care they need.
- Ms. Spires noted there are currently 1100 children who benefit from case management and/or specialty clinics, of those 1100 children 70 are from Cook County.

Nurse Manager Updates - Rebecca Allgood, RN (See Attachment)

- Ms. Allgood reviewed the health department updates for July – September 2025.
- Ms. Allgood stated the health department has seen a total of 700 patients for the quarter.
- Ms. Allgood noted there is an increase with children receiving their flu vaccine through the school-based flu program.
- Ms. Allgood stated Cook County Schools allowed Cook County Health Department to put signage out as a reminder to parents in getting their children vaccinated.
- Ms. Allgood stated that we held a drive-thru flu event on October 3rd and gave out sausage biscuits to everyone that participated.

- Ms. Allgood gave an update on health department staffing. Ms. Fulghum (RN) is doing clinicals with Dr. Fausett on Tuesday and Friday and in class on Thursday.
- Ms. Allgood informed the board the State Lab has changed to Lab Online and provided training for all clinical staff.
- Ms Allgood stated Cook County Health Department presented new teachers with welcome bags as a token of appreciation. We included brochures with a list of services provided by the health department.

Environmental Health Updates - Danielle Hurst, MPH, (See Attachments)

- Ms. Danielle Hurst reviewed Environmental Health and Food Service Reports for July – September 2025.
- Ms. Hurst stated Cook County Health Department permitted 81 facilities.
- Ms. Hurst stated the use of land has increased and has written several permits.
- Ms. Hurst provided guidance to the landfill regarding mosquito control.

Epidemiology Updates – Ken Lowery, DrPH, MPH (See Attachment)

- Dr. Lowery reviewed the Investigated Illnesses Report from July 1 – September 30, 2025.
- Dr. Lowery stated all communicable diseases are reported to the state every quarter in our district.

Announcements

- The next meeting will be on February 17, 2026.

Adjournment

- There being no further business Dr. Fausett adjourned the meeting at 12:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor Buddy Duke, Board Secretary
Beth Magsanay, Typist

**Cook County Board of Health
Revenue and Expense Summary
July 1, 2025 - December 31, 2025**

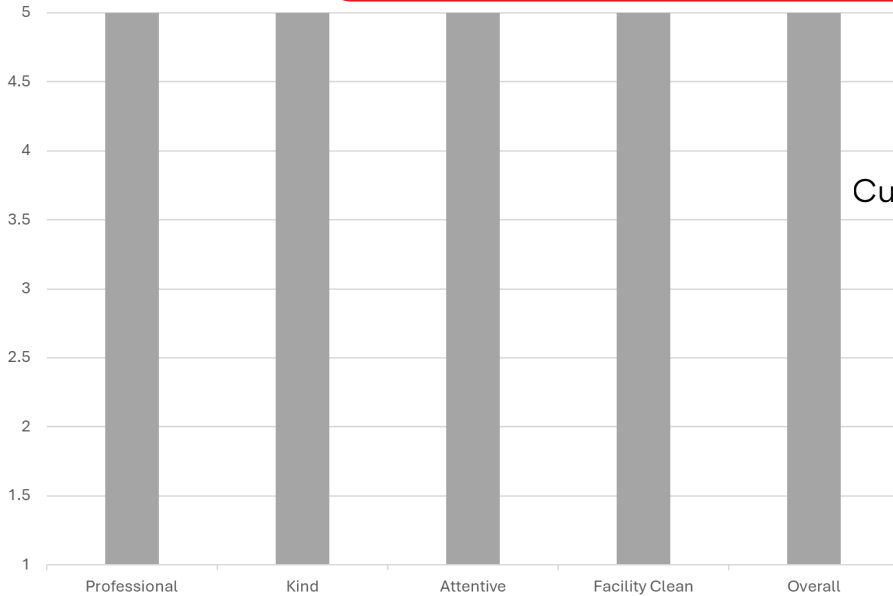
		% of Budget				
		YTD	Revised Budget	Received/ Expended	Original Budget	Increase/ (Decrease)
Revenue						
456001	County Participating	13,009.99	26,020.00	50.00%	26,020.00	0.00
456004	County Non-Participating	24,490.01	48,980.00	50.00%	48,980.00	0.00
995001	Unassigned Fund Balance	5,121.00	5,121.00	100.00%	68,965.00	(63,844.00)
456024	Restricted Fund Balance - Pr Yr Fees	132,489.37	132,490.00	100.00%	120,785.00	11,705.00
456050	Restricted Fund Balance - Pr Yr Adm Claiming	112,851.68	112,852.00	100.00%	52,400.00	60,452.00
456052	Non-Qual Local Funds - Returned Drugs	6,061.51	6,062.00	99.99%	0.00	6,062.00
456040	Intra Agency Transfer - From Annex 750	17,512.00	17,512.00	100.00%	17,512.00	0.00
456040	Intra Agency Transfer - From Lowndes GIA	24,473.00	24,473.00	100.00%	24,473.00	0.00
456051	Qualifying Local Funds - Interest Income	1,057.71	3,750.00	28.21%	3,750.00	0.00
458001	Grant-In-Aid	175,496.11	345,695.00	50.77%	360,070.00	(14,375.00)
456008	Out-Patient Medicare Fees	5,657.98	0.00	N/A	0.00	0.00
456010	Out-Patient Client Fees	11,887.33	0.00	N/A	0.00	0.00
456016	Private Insurance	23,500.85	0.00	N/A	0.00	0.00
456022	Health Check	4,449.32	0.00	N/A	0.00	0.00
456031	Environmental Fees	35,141.80	0.00	N/A	0.00	0.00
456034	Medicaid - DSPS	5,158.46	0.00	N/A	0.00	0.00
456036	Medicaid PCM	1,960.20	0.00	N/A	0.00	0.00
456037	Medicaid CMS	0.00	0.00	N/A	0.00	0.00
456049	Current Yr Adm Claiming	10,429.85	0.00	N/A	0.00	0.00
Total Revenue		610,748.17	722,955.00	69.92%	722,955.00	0.00
Expenses						
511000	Salaries	164,722.26	328,823.00	50.09%	325,186.00	3,637.00
514001	FICA	11,862.15	23,676.00	50.10%	23,298.00	378.00
515001	Retirement	48,853.10	97,828.00	49.94%	97,146.00	682.00
516000	Health Insurance	47,966.79	96,301.00	49.81%	95,780.00	521.00
614001	Supplies & Materials	4,937.25	10,000.00	49.37%	10,000.00	0.00
614018	Pharmaceuticals	18,210.04	29,559.00	61.61%	29,000.00	559.00
615001	Repairs & Maintenance	7,053.51	20,779.00	33.95%	21,201.00	(422.00)
617001	Utilities	5,168.80	10,047.00	51.45%	11,157.00	(1,110.00)
618001	Printing	13.00	13.00	100.00%	2,379.00	(2,366.00)
619001	Other Rent	0.00	249.00	0.00%	249.00	0.00
620001	Insurance and Bonding	903.79	904.00	99.98%	965.00	(61.00)
622001	Direct Benefits to Clients	94.31	875.00	10.78%	1,500.00	(625.00)
627001	Other Operating	3,266.27	7,204.00	45.34%	9,250.00	(2,046.00)
633001	Computer Software - Microsoft License Fee	1,544.27	6,485.00	23.81%	5,000.00	1,485.00
640001	Travel	3,122.83	7,700.00	40.56%	7,700.00	0.00
645001	Rental of Equipment	1,283.64	2,946.00	43.57%	2,815.00	131.00
651001	Per Diem & Fees	511.39	1,000.00	N/A	0.00	1,000.00
653001	Contract - Maintenance Fee - Clinical Software	3,157.88	4,887.00	64.62%	4,150.00	737.00
673001	Telecommunications	2,666.41	8,450.00	31.56%	12,450.00	(4,000.00)
681001	Postage	1,253.46	2,800.00	44.77%	1,300.00	1,500.00
761001	Indirect Costs	15,046.11	62,429.00	24.10%	62,429.00	0.00
Total Expenses		341,637.26	722,955.00	47.26%	722,955.00	0.00

Cook County Health Department Quarterly Customer Feedback

OCT - DEC 2025

SUMMARY: The Customer Feedback Report provides insights into customer satisfaction and sentiment for the quarter. Key findings and customer comments are summarized below.

Customer Satisfaction



Customer Service Satisfaction Scale:

5 - Strongly Agree

1 - Strongly Disagree

(19 completed)

Customer Comments

“Emily Gandy was patient and very informative in answering any questions I had. Her warmth and kind demeanor made me very comfortable in her office during previous visits- it also radiates through the phone appointments.” - Allie

“The women is Adel were very friendly and fast! Emily, Sherelle and the new woman are the absolute best and I love them!” - N/A

“Everyone was so nice and helpful. Mrs. Becky educated me on a lot of things I never knew about. Thank you Mrs. Becky, Mrs. Brandi, and Mrs. Beth” - Mik

“The staff went above and beyond with professional service, explaining services, making sure I was comfortable, and have everything I needed. This was the best experience I have had with medical professionals and I recommend patients to check out this location. Thank you so much Shelby and Sandee! I truly appreciate all that you do.” - Ike

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Cook County Health Department Productivity Report

OCT - DEC 2025



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Clinic Summary

Patient Report:

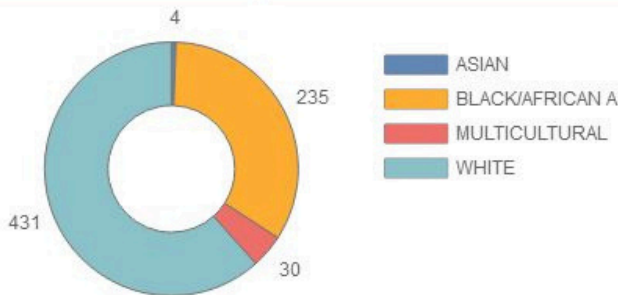
- Total Patients: 572
- Total Services: 700

Top Three Programs:

- Immunizations (46%)
- Family Planning (19%)
- Skin Testing (12%)

Demographic Spotlight

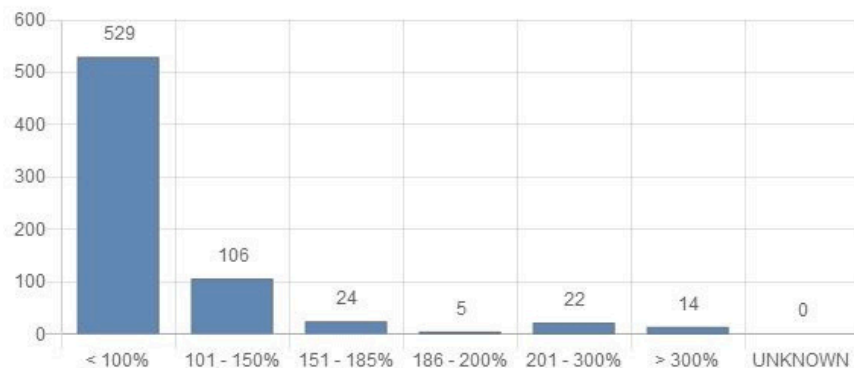
By Race



By Age Group



By Poverty Level



Cook County Environmental Health Update

January-December 2025



Total Permitted Facilities: 84

Facility Inspections

Food Service Inspections	151
Tourist Accommodation Inspections	14
Public Pool Inspections	6
Body Art Inspections	6

Land Use

New System Permits Issued	52
New Installations Inspected	53
Repair Permits Issued	25
Repair Installations Inspected	17
Well Permits Issued	76
Water Samples	37

Other Programs

Animal Bite Investigations	19
Complaint Investigations	13

Cook County Environmental Health Update

October-December 2025



Total Permitted Facilities: 84

Facility Inspections

Food Service Inspections	38
Tourist Accommodation Inspections	4
Public Pool Inspections	0
Body Art Inspections	0

Land Use

New System Permits Issued	9
New Installations Inspected	17
Repair Permits Issued	5
Repair Installations Inspected	2
Well Permits Issued	22
Water Samples	9

Other Programs

Animal Bite Investigations	3
Complaint Investigations	7



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Food Facility Inspections (38 Total)						
Permit #	Facility Name	Address	Purpose	Score	Grade	Inspector
FSP-037-000129	3 G Eats (Base)	45 D ST CECIL, GA 31627	Routine	100	A	Danielle Hurst
FSP-037-000130	3 G Eats Mobile Unit	45 D ST CECIL, GA 31627	Routine	100	A	Danielle Hurst
FSP-037-000155	4th St. Sweets, LLC	300 E FOURTH ST ADEL, GA 31620	Routine	96	A	Danielle Hurst
FSP-037-000093	B & T Soul Food and More	718 W 5TH ST ADEL, GA 31620	Routine	99	A	Danielle Hurst
FSP-037-000029	C & C Crab Shack	809 N PARRISH AVE ADEL, GA 31620	Routine	100	A	Danielle Hurst
FSP-037-000133	China House	606 W 4TH ST ADEL, GA 31620	Routine	96	A	Danielle Hurst
FSP-037-000062	Community Christian Academy	1200 N HUTCHINSON AVE ADEL, GA 31620	Routine	94	A	Danielle Hurst
037-FS-002	Cook County High School	9900 HIGHWAY 37 ADEL, GA 31620	Routine	100	A	Danielle Hurst
FSP-037-000079	Correctional Resource Group @ Cook County Detention Center	1000 COUNTY FARM RD ADEL, GA 31620	Routine	100	A	Danielle Hurst
037-FS-033	Dairy Queen	109 S ADAMS ST ADEL, GA 31620	Routine	93	A	Danielle Hurst
FSP-037-000073	Don Julio's Mexican Restaurant & Cantina	1505 W FOURTH ST ADEL, GA 31620	Routine	100	A	Danielle Hurst
FSP-037-000108	Doughboy's	152 OLD QUITMAN RD ADEL, GA 31620	Routine	96	A	Danielle Hurst
FSP-037-000144	Doughboy's (Base)	152 OLD QUITMAN RD ADEL, GA 31620	Routine	96	A	Danielle Hurst
FSP-037-000145	Doughboy's (Mobile)	152 OLD QUITMAN RD ADEL, GA 31620	Routine	100	A	Danielle Hurst
037-FS-027	El Carrisal	604 W FOURTH ST ADEL, GA 31620	Routine	91	A	Danielle Hurst



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FSP-037-000168	Ellianos	110 S ELM ST ADEL, GA 31620	Routine	100	A	Danielle Hurst
FSP-037-000128	Hope Inn	33 KINARD BRIDGE RD LENOX, GA 31637	Routine	100	A	Danielle Hurst
FSP-037-000036	Horse Creek Winery	101 ROUNDTREE BRIDGE RD. SPARKS, GA 31647	Routine	100	A	Danielle Hurst
FSP-037-000220	Kumo Hibachi & Sushi Ga. Inc.	1205 W 4TH ST ADEL, GA 31620	Initial	100	A	Danielle Hurst
FSP-037-000127	La Mexicana	128 BURWELL AVE ADEL, GA 31620	Routine	91	A	Danielle Hurst
FSP-037-000216	LJ's BBQ LLC, BASE	112 S HUTCHINSON AVE ADEL, GA 31620	Initial	100	A	Danielle Hurst
FSP-037-000217	LJ's BBQ LLC, MOBILE	112 S HUTCHINSON AVE ADEL, GA 31620	Initial	100	A	Danielle Hurst
FSP-037-000218	Mr. and Mrs. Soul & BBQ, Base	166 W GRAY AVE LENOX, GA 31637	Initial	100	A	Danielle Hurst
FSP-037-000219	Mr. and Mrs. Soul and BBQ, Mobile	166 W GRAY AVE LENOX, GA 31637	Initial	100	A	Danielle Hurst
FSP-037-000152	Rico's Tacos	103 S HUTCHINSON AVE ADEL, GA 31620	Routine	96	A	Danielle Hurst
FSP-037-000099	SGMP Promotions, LLC (Large Concession)	2521 HWY 41 ADEL, GA 31620	Routine	100	A	Danielle Hurst
FSP-037-000098	SGMP Promotions, LLC (Tower Side)	2521 HWY 41 ADEL, GA 31620	Routine	100	A	Danielle Hurst
FSP-037-000006	Sweet T's Smokehouse	701 S HUTCHINSON AVE ADEL, GA 31620	Routine	100	A	Danielle Hurst
FSP-037-000198	Sweet T's Smokehouse (Base)	701 S HUTCHINSON ST ADEL, GA 31620	Routine	100	A	Danielle Hurst
FSP-037-000199	Sweet T's Smokehouse (Mobile Unit)	701 S HUTCHINSON ST ADEL, GA 31620	Routine	100	A	Danielle Hurst
037-FS-014	Taco Bell #029091	1404 W FOURTH ST ADEL, GA 31620	Routine	100	A	Danielle Hurst



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FSP-037-000221	The New Chaserville Mall	7800 MASSEE POST RD SPARKS, GA 31647	Initial	100	A	Danielle Hurst
FSP-037-000020	The Parrish House Restaurant	1401 S HUTCHINSON AVE ADEL, GA 31620	Routine	91	A	Danielle Hurst
FSP-037-000176	The Sisters Place	4371 76 HWY ADEL, GA 31620	Routine	100	A	Danielle Hurst
FSP-037-000175	The Sisters Place (Base)	4371 76 HWY ADEL, GA 31620	Routine	100	A	Danielle Hurst
FSP-037-000203	Ways Creative Catering (Mobile # 2)	804 N HUTCHINSON AVE ADEL, GA 31620	Routine	100	A	Danielle Hurst
FSP-037-000202	Ways Creative Catering (Mobile Buffet)	804 N HUTCHINSON AVE ADEL, GA 31620	Routine	100	A	Danielle Hurst
037-FS-022	Wendy's	100 FLORIDA RD ADEL, GA 31620	Routine	100	A	Danielle Hurst

Tourist Accommodation Inspections 2014 (4 Total)

Permit #	Facility Name	Address	Purpose	Score	Grade	Inspector
TAP-037-000010	Cecil Bay RV Park	1787 OLD COFFEE RD CECIL, GA 31627	Routine	100	A	Danielle Hurst
TAP-037-000008	Rodeway Inn (110 rentable rooms)	1975 OLD COFFEE RD CECIL, GA 31627	Routine	100	A	Danielle Hurst
TAP-037-000005	Hope Inn LLC	33 KINARD BRIDGE RD LENOX, GA 31637	Routine	100	A	Danielle Hurst
TAP-037-000009	Stagecoach Inn	2023 OLD COFFEE RD CECIL, GA 31627	Routine	100	A	Danielle Hurst

COOK COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

INVESTIGATED ILLNESS REPORT

(10/2025- 12/2025)

This report summarizes the incidents and illnesses investigated by the South Health District Epidemiology team from October 1 through December 31, 2025, during which routine and outbreak-related disease investigations were conducted across the district's ten counties.

Incident/Illness	Total
Animal Bites	1
Campy	5
COVID	31
Crypto	3
Hep B	1
Hep C	1
Salmonella	4
Strep Group B	1
Strep Pneumo	1

Other Materials

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