

Sewage Operation & Maintenance

Program Overview

In January 2015, the Ohio Department of Health adopted new rules regarding private Sewage Treatment Systems (STSs) in Ohio (Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) 3701-29-09(I)). These new rules mandate that all health departments in the state develop and implement a local Operation & Maintenance program to ensure all systems in their jurisdiction are monitored for regular maintenance and proper function. Regular maintenance of your system will extend its life, safeguard your investment, protect your health, preserve surface and ground waters, and prevent sewage nuisance conditions on your property.

The Operation & Maintenance Program will require that every owner of a property with a Home Sewage Treatment System (HSTS) obtain, and continually renew, an Operation Permit and regularly submit proof that their system is receiving the minimum required maintenance as directed by that permit. Compliance with permit conditions will be tracked on an ongoing basis, allowing Scioto County Health Department (SCHD) to identify and address neglected and/or failing systems.

While this program is state-mandated, funding has not been provided, so Operation Permit fees have been established to assist SCHD with funding for the following: the maintenance, management, and oversight for the system permitting and service records, personnel costs in reviewing service compliance documentation and conducting inspections, postage, and homeowner education efforts and materials. Sampling fees have also been established for systems that require annual sampling, such as National Pollutant Discharge Elimination Systems (NPDESs). These sample fees cover sampling personnel costs, sampling equipment and supplies, lab analysis fees, and postage for mailing of results.

Operation & Maintenance Permits – All Systems Types	Local Fees	Lab Fees	Total Fee
Permit Renewals	\$50.00		\$50.00
Pre-Existing System Enrollment	\$50.00		\$50.00
New System Enrollment			\$0.00
Annual NPDES Effluent Sampling	\$240.00	\$217.90	\$457.90/per sample
Non-Compliance Service Inspection	\$250.00		\$250.00

You Received your O&M Renewal Letter Packet -- CHECKLIST

Find your **System Type** on the letter

Find your **Renewal Frequency** on the letter

Find if a **Service Contract is Required** for your system

Find the attached Scioto County Sewage Treatment System Operation & Maintenance Permit Renewal Application, the List of Registered Service Providers, and O&M Program Frequently Asked Questions.

Contact a **Registered Service Provider** locate on the List that is certified for your type of system. Explain to the Service Provider you have received your O&M Renewal Letter from SCHD and need your **System Inspected**. Depending on if a **Service Contract is Required** you will need to make sure you sign your system up with the **Service Provider** for that at this time also.

Pay the Registered Service Provider for their services and collect all paper work from them.

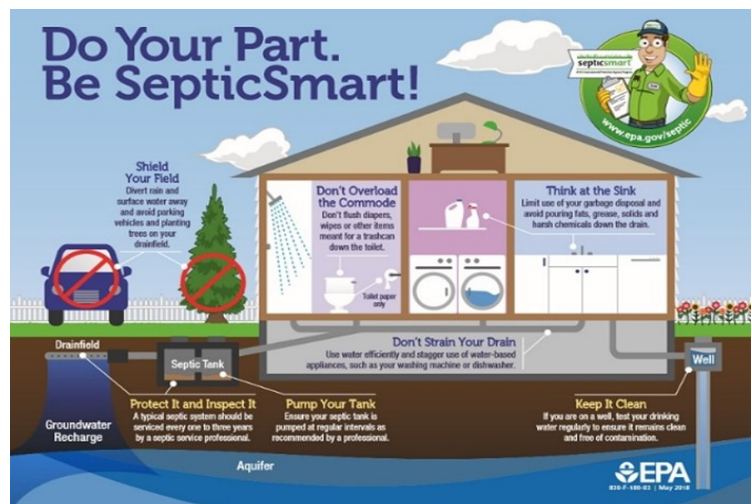
Fill out the Scioto County Sewage Treatment System Operation & Maintenance Permit Renewal Application – **Have the Service Provider sign and date on the Application.**

Include **ALL** related records with the application - **Such as** -Inspections, maintenance service, corrective actions, abandonment, monitoring, service contracts, water quality sampling, sampling results, tank pumping receipts, tank, and distribution box inspections, or cleaning off effluent filters.

If there is a **Service Contract** required make sure to send a copy with the application stated above and have the **Service Provider sign and give the Service Contract Expiration Date on the Application.**

Include the **\$50.00 Permit Renewal Fee** – Checks made payable to Scioto County Health Department

Sign and Date the application and mail to the Scioto County Health Department
612 6th Street, Suite D, Portsmouth OH 45662



Solar Eclipse April 8th, 2024



Solar Eclipse Safety - April 8th, 2024

Never look at a solar eclipse without proper safety glasses or filters.

- Even a brief glance without protection can cause permanent eye damage.

Never look at the sun through a camera, binoculars, or telescope without solar filters.

- Instant eye injury can occur without proper protection.



The Scioto County Board of Health

The Scioto County Board of Health is an appointed board comprised of five (5) members who are appointed to serve a five (5) year term by the Scioto County Trustees Advisory Council. The Trustee Advisory Council is comprised of all the Township Trustee Presidents and village mayors in Scioto County. The Board of Health is an administrative board which receives its powers and duties from the Ohio Revised Code as passed by the Ohio Legislature. By law, the Board of Health is the appointed authority for all matters related to the Scioto County Health Department. The Board appoints a Health Commissioner as its executive officer to direct the daily operations of the department and to carry out all orders of the Board. The Ohio Revised Code outlines some specific functions that the Board must carry out. These functions generally deal with the health, welfare, and safety of the residents of the county. The Board, as authorized by the Ohio Revised Code, can establish various divisions to carry out these functions.

Members of the Board:

Laura Miller, R. Ph., President, Term expires March 2026
Christy Sherman, D.P.N., President Pro Temp, Term expires March 2025
Adrienne Buckler Callihan, Attorney, Member Term expires March 2028
Sean Sturgill, R. Ph., Member Term expires March 2029
Aaron Adams, D.O., Member Term expires March 2027

Spotlight Employee

Beth Ingles

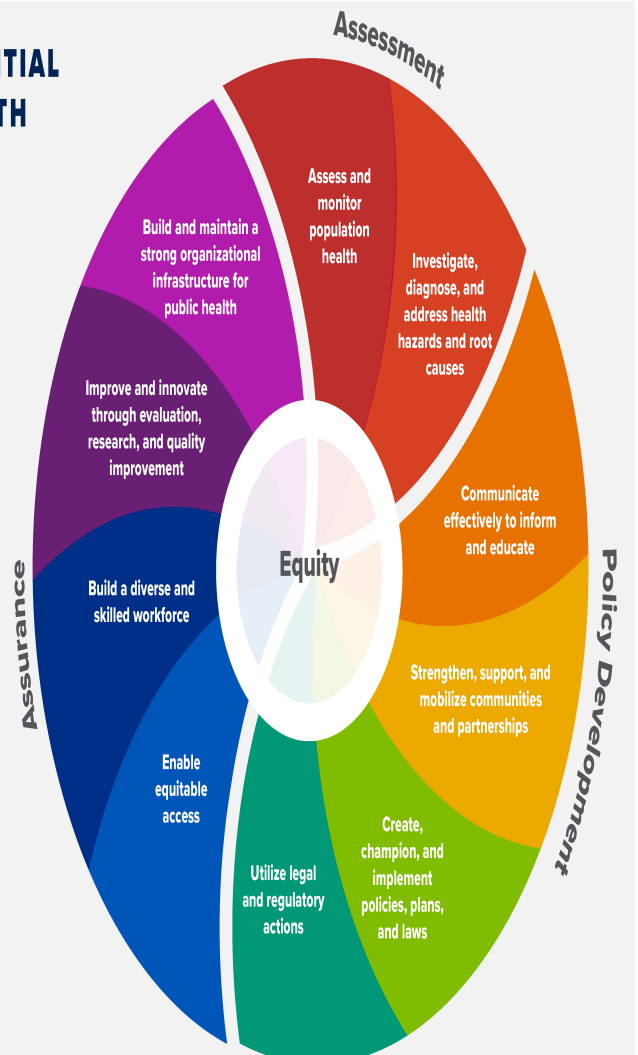
Administrative Assistant

Beth started with SCHD scheduling for the COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics and now has expanded across the department working in BCMH Billing to the Sewage Operation and Maintenance Program. Her favorite part of working for SCHD is that everyone gets along and makes you feel like you are one big family. One thing people are surprised to find out is she loves to go skydiving and visiting Hawaii is on her Bucket List.

THE 10 ESSENTIAL PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES

To protect and promote the health of all people in all communities

The 10 Essential Public Health Services provide a framework for public health to protect and promote the health of all people in all communities. To achieve optimal health for all, the Essential Public Health Services actively promote policies, systems, and services that enable good health and seek to remove obstacles and systemic and structural barriers, such as poverty, racism, gender discrimination, and other forms of oppression, that have resulted in health inequities. Everyone should have a fair and just opportunity to achieve good health and well-being.



KNOW WHEN TO WASH YOUR HANDS



www.cdc.gov/handwashing



2024 Spring School Vaccine Clinics

The Scioto County Health Department had 6 mobile clinics at schools for 6th and 11th graders.



Nurse Appreciation Week 6-12-24

Nursing Department Staff:

Tracey Henderson, BSN, RN, Director of Nursing
 Vickie Patrick, RN, Public Health Nurse
 Kristyn McLaughlin, RN, Public Health Nurse
 Pam McCoy RN, Public Health Nurse
 Beth Ingles, Administrative Assistant
 Arlene Dever, Community Health Worker

Health Education & Promotion By Scioto County Health Department

Regional Infant Mortality Collaboration

- Nationwide Children's Hospital's grant application for a federal HRSA grant to fund a regional program to reduce infant mortality in Ross, Pike and Scioto Counties was just approved. We worked with them in the planning.
- The award amount is \$4.7 million over the 5-year period of May 2024 – early 2029.
- Their four main strategies are:
 - Embed community health workers into prenatal care and pediatric care settings to connect families to evidence-based programs and address social determinants of health needs
 - Expand local capacity for critical social and health promotion supports.
 - Establish a community consortium of local partners (healthcare providers, public health, social services) to collaborate to improve perinatal health outcomes and ensure that local priorities are addressed.
 - SCHD will be one the local collaborators. SOMC pediatrics will be the lead provider partner.
- This grew out of a discussion of needs with NCH based on the SCHD Child Fatality Review in 2022.



Community Events

South Webster Health Fair 4-17-24



Party in the Park 7-16-24



Upcoming Events Scioto
County Fair Aug 5th-9th



Shawnee Family Health Fair 5-4-24



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Public Hearings

**Scioto County Retail Food
Program
RE: Notice For Public
Hearing - ORC 3717.25**

Feb 6th 2024 @ 10:00am

**Public Hearing for 2024
Retail Food Fees**

**Location: Scioto County
Health Department
612 6
th St., Suite D, (Lower Level)
Portsmouth, OH 45662**

**Scioto County Sewage
Program Fees RE: Notice for
Public Hearing - OAC
3701-29-05, 3701-29-14, and
Section 3709.09 of the ORC**

May 9th 2024 @ 10:00am

Change in Sewage Program Fees

**Location: Scioto County Health
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