



# Clinton County Health District

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## Clinton County Health District Announces Leadership Updates: Continuing a Legacy of Public Health Excellence

**Clinton County, OH** – The Clinton County Health District (CCHD) is proud to announce key updates to its leadership team, reinforcing its unwavering commitment to public health excellence and community well-being.

At the helm of this momentum is the Clinton County Board of Health appointment of **Monica Wood, MSN, BS, RN**, as the **Clinton County Health Commissioner**, succeeding Pamela Walker-Bauer.

“I am honored and excited to serve our community in the role of the Clinton County Health Commissioner. Pamela Walker-Bauer has been a fantastic mentor, demonstrating the importance of responsibly overseeing the operations and initiatives of the CCHD and public health advocacy for Clinton County.” Health Commissioner Wood said.

Health Commissioner Wood now leads the district with a fresh inspiration and discernment rooted in experience, compassion, and community collaboration. With over 13 years of public health service, Health Commissioner Wood’s focus remains steadfast: to promote health, prevent disease, and prepare the county for a strong and resilient future.

Joining Health Commissioner Wood in guiding the agency forward is **Nursing Director Michaela Quallen, RNC-OB**, who has stepped into her role since July 2024 with hands-on healthcare experience and a deep dedication to public health nursing. Known for her steady leadership and commitment to community outreach, Nursing Director Quallen is poised to enhance the district’s nursing programs and services, ensuring responsive and accessible care for all residents.

Supporting the district’s comprehensive approach to health and wellness are **WIC Director Renee Quallen, BSN, RN, IBCLC, GRMS**, who continues to lead the Women, Infants, and Children program with a focus on nutritional support and family empowerment, **Environmental Health Director Katie Burwinkel, MPH, REHS**, whose leadership safeguards our community through education and environmental regulatory compliance, and **Special Projects Coordinator, Tonja Ruther, CHES**, who continues to lead support through emergency preparedness and championing accountable policies.

These leadership updates reflect the district’s strong internal talent and strategic planning, ensuring a seamless transition and continued excellence in public health services.

“We are excited about the future,” said Health Commissioner Wood. “With such a dedicated leadership team and passionate staff, we’re well-positioned to meet today’s public health challenges and prepare



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for tomorrow's opportunities. Clinton County can be proud of the strength and dedication within our local health district."

The Clinton County Health District thanks the community for its continued support and looks forward to working together to build a healthier, stronger county for everyone.

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## About the Clinton County Health District

The Clinton County Health District works to protect, promote, and improve the health of all people in Clinton County, Ohio. Learn more about the Clinton County Health District at

<https://co.clinton.oh.us/departments/HealthDistrict>. For more information, please contact Monica Wood at [info@clincod.com](mailto:info@clincod.com).



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