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Geary County Board of Health

GCPHD Monthly Update

1. Monthly Situation

PHIG

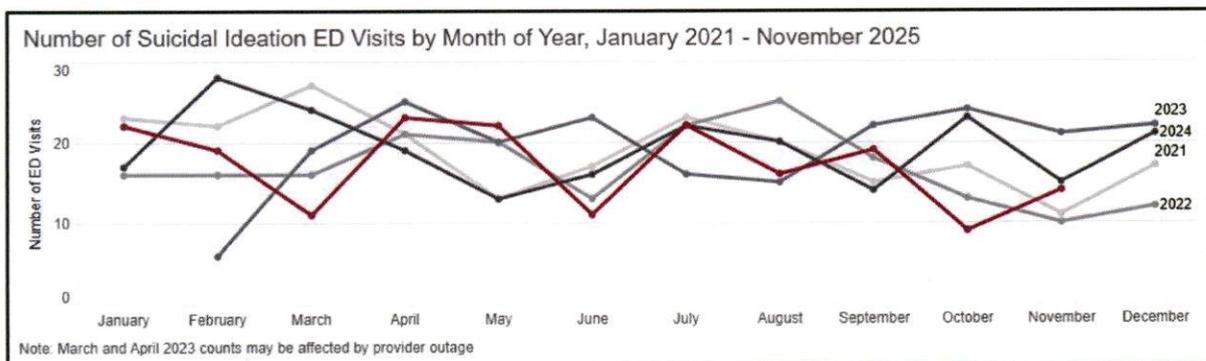
The PHIG grant was fully approved on December 31, confirming that Geary County will receive the entire allocation of \$137,098.57, with no loss of funding. A Budget Modification Request (BMR) was submitted on January 12 to align the grant with updated guidance and reporting requirements. We are currently awaiting KDHE's release of the Financial Status Report (FSR) so the remaining \$43,294.29 for Quarter 4 of 2025 can be processed and reimbursed. At this point, the grant is in good standing, and all required actions on our end have been completed.

Influenza Season

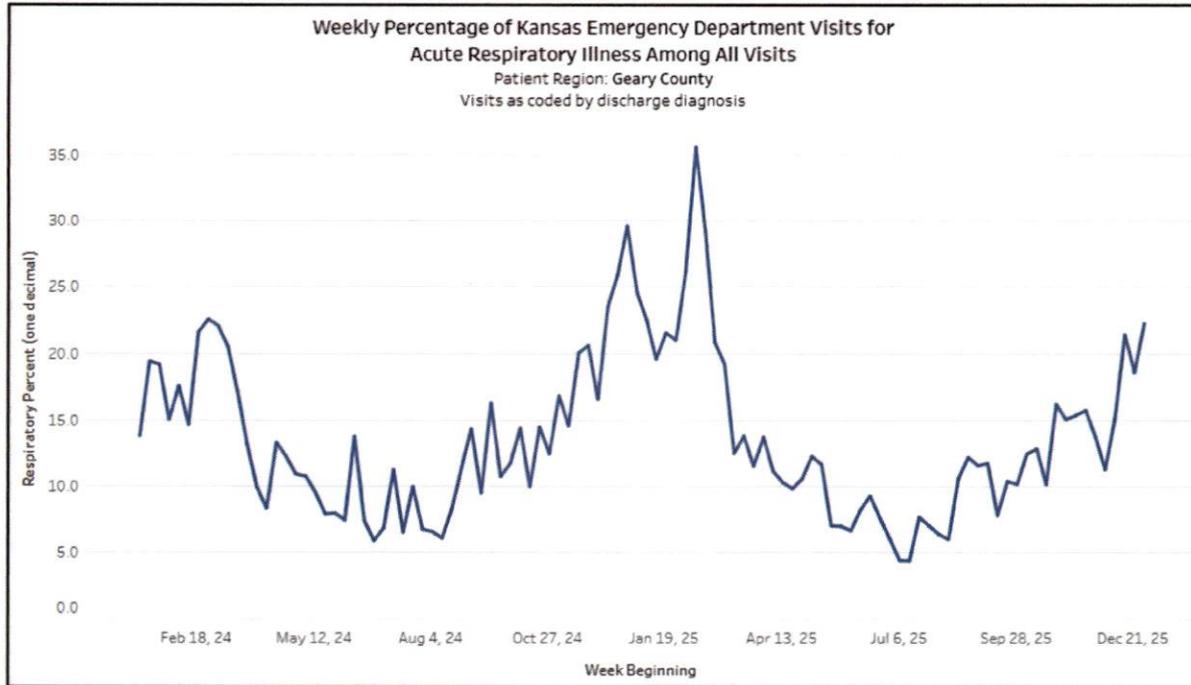
Since the end of December, Geary County has experienced a measurable increase in reported influenza activity following relatively low levels earlier in the season, consistent with trends across Kansas and nationally. CDC respiratory surveillance indicates that influenza activity remains elevated nationwide, with influenza A (predominantly H3N2) continuing to circulate and respiratory illness expected to remain elevated for several more weeks. Kansas influenza surveillance systems similarly show increasing influenza-like illness across outpatient and emergency department settings, and regional reporting from the Kansas City metro area reflects a comparable late-December surge. Local Geary County data align with these patterns, indicating increased community transmission and healthcare utilization related to respiratory illness. Public health efforts continue to emphasize vaccination, early treatment for high-risk individuals, and preventive measures to reduce transmission and severe outcomes.

2. Disease Surveillance and Outbreak Updates

Suicidal Ideation: NOV25 - **14 Patients**; OCT25 - **09 Patients**

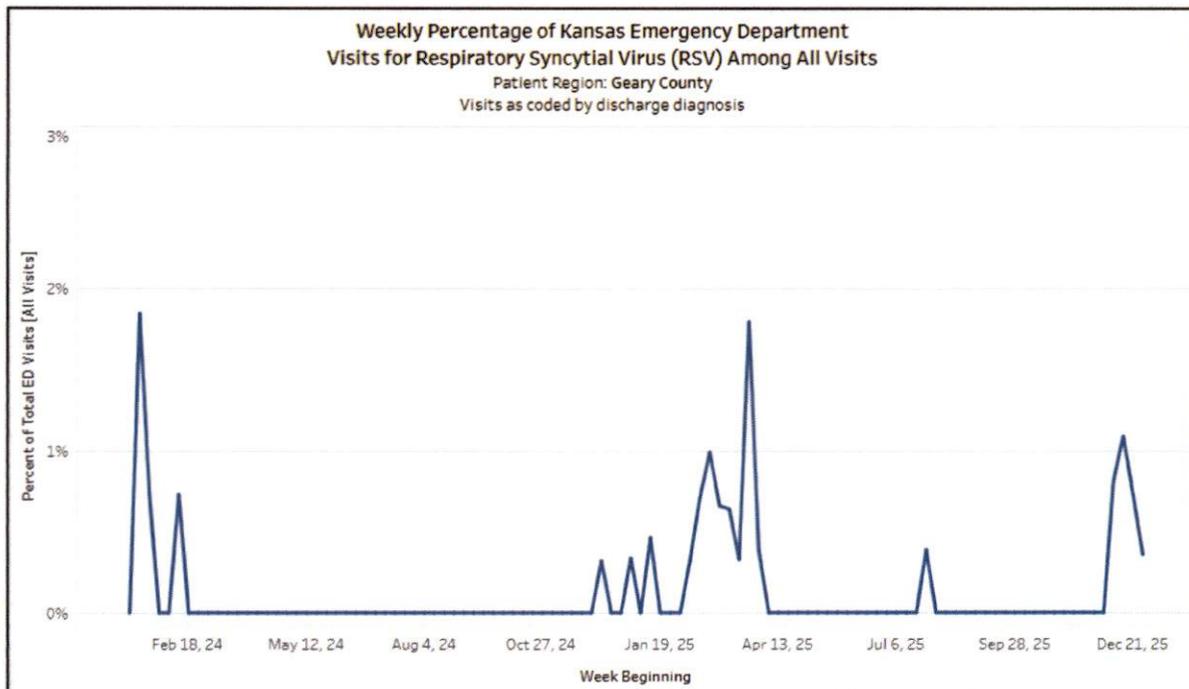


Acute Respiratory Illness – JAN26: 22.2% - DEC25: 11.2% - JAN25: 19.4%

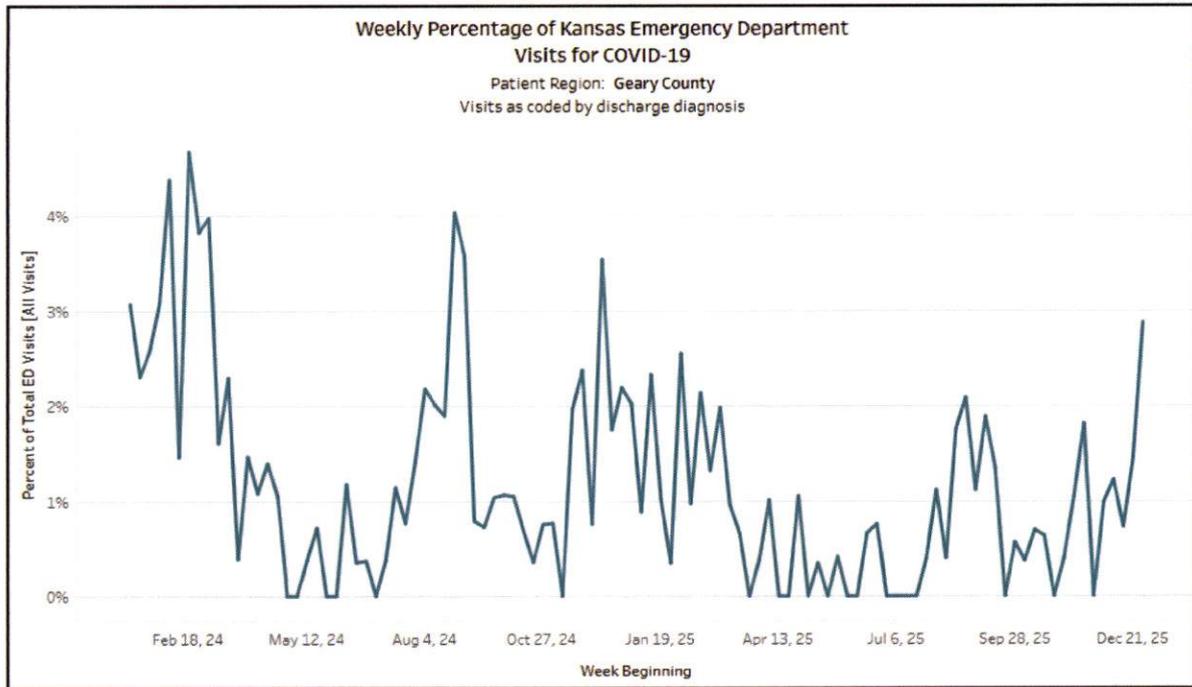


Acute respiratory illness includes diagnostic codes that are associated with a broad range of acute respiratory illnesses including codes for specific respiratory infections (e.g., influenza, RSV) and for general respiratory illnesses such as cough or pneumonia.

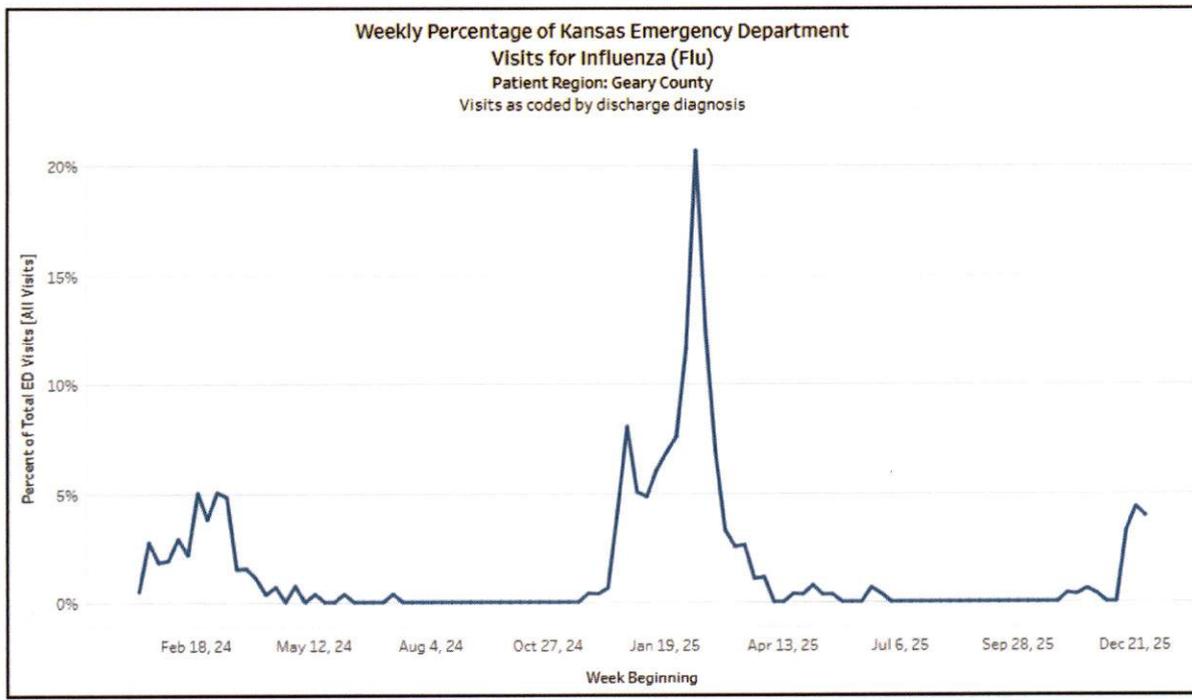
RSV – JAN26: 0.4% - DEC25: 0.0% - JAN25: 1.8%



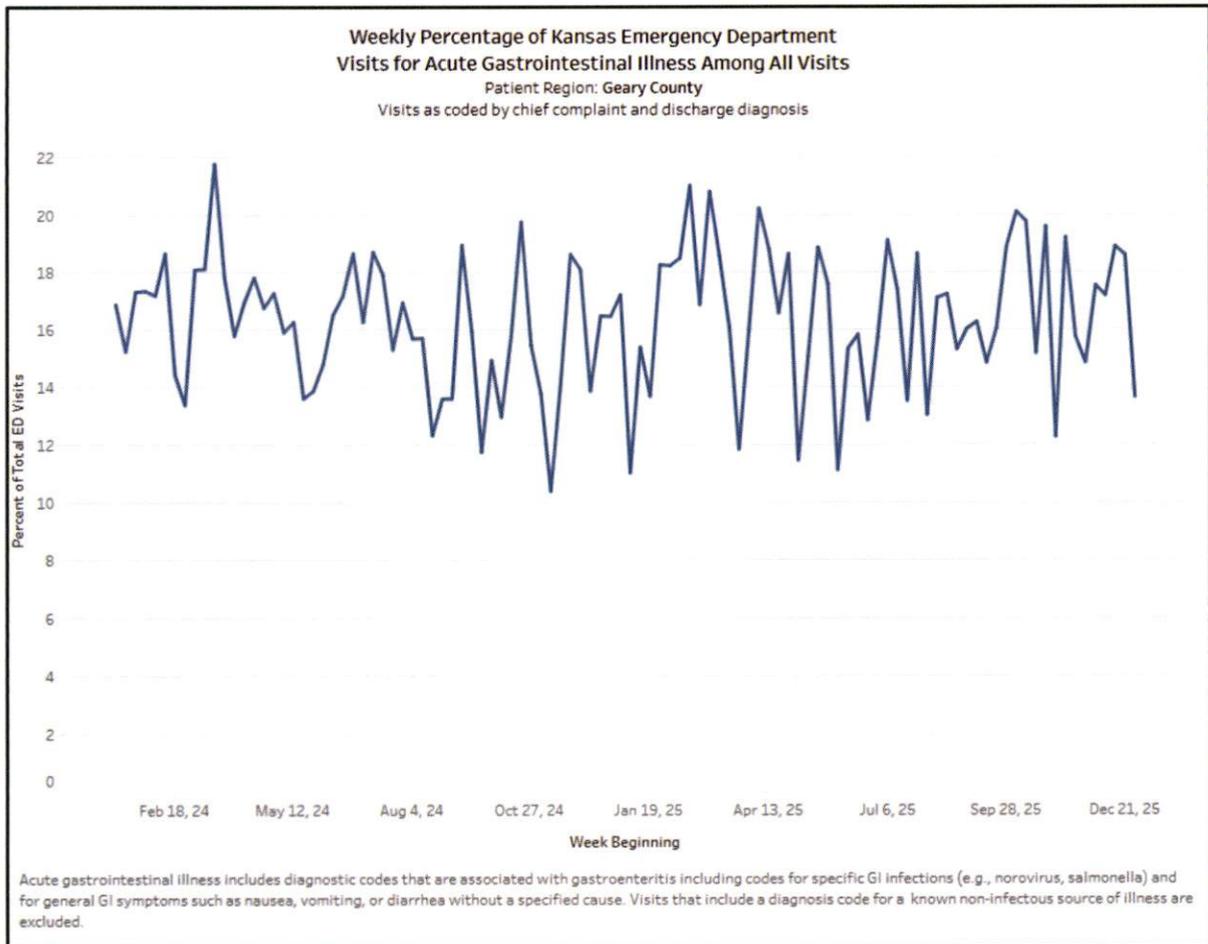
COVID-19 – JAN26: **2.9%** - DEC25: **1.0%** - JAN25: **3.1%**



Influenza – JAN26: **3.9%** - DEC25: **0.0%** - JAN25: **2.8%**



Gastrointestinal Illness - DEC25: 13.62% - NOV25: 17.49% - DEC24: 16.84%



3. Sensitive Disease and Surveillance Report

Sensitive Disease Report	NOV25	2025
Active Tuberculosis	0	1
Acute Flaccid Myelitis	0	0
Chlamydia	10	147
Congenital Syphilis	0	0
Gonorrhea	2	31
HIV	1	2
Influenza-associated pediatric mortality	0	0
Latent Tuberculosis	0	2
Mpox	0	0
Syphilis	1	10

Surveillance Report	NOV25	2025
Campylobacteriosis	0	1
Carbapenemase-Producing Organisms (CPO)	0	0
Cryptosporidiosis	0	0
Cyclosporiasis	0	1
Giardiasis	0	1
Hepatitis B, chronic	0	0
Hepatitis C, chronic	0	5
Histoplasmosis	0	1
Invasive pneumococcal disease	0	2
Malaria	0	2
Pertussis	0	0
Salmonellosis	0	5
Shiga toxin-producing E. coli	0	2
Varicella	0	0
Vibriosis	0	2

4. Patient Encounters

Patient Encounters 12/01/25 - 12/31/25	
COVID	0
Immunizations	57
Nurse Visit	9
Outreach Prevention Early Intervention	47
Paternity	1
Pregnancy	2
Select Visit Type	0
Sexually Transmitted Infections	26
TB Screening	46
Catholic Charities	3
Salvation Army	1

5. Training and Professional Development

Upcoming Staff Training:

“You Call the Shots” - Immunization and Billing Staff

6. Community Engagement and Partnerships

Current Partnership Activities:

JC Main Street – Community Outreach

Salvation Army – Client Services

Catholic Charities – Client Services

NE HCC – PHEP

FT. Riley Public Health

Konza Prairie Community Health Center

Upcoming Events:

None

7. Administrative and Operational Updates

Staffing Updates:

- New Hire: None
- Departures: None
- Adjustments: None
- Vacancies: None

Facility Updates: None

8. Financial Update

Health Department Deposits

12/01/2025 - 12/31/2025

Date	Cash	Check	Credit Card	ACH
12/5/2025		\$ 1,920.00	\$ 160.00	
12/9/2025			\$ 30.00	
12/12/2025	\$ 192.00		\$ 428.68	
12/15/2025			\$ 51.50	
12/18/2025			\$ 70.00	
12/19/2025	\$ 70.00	\$ 120.00	\$ 165.75	
12/22/2025			\$ 50.00	
12/29/2025		\$ 1,317.48	\$ 92.00	
Total	\$ 262.00	\$ 3,357.48	\$ 1,047.93	\$ -

Type of Payment	
12/01/25 - 12/31/25	
Cash	\$307.75
Card	\$1122.93
Insurance	\$4732.20

* Insurance” reflects the total amount billed prior to deducting the vaccine acquisition cost to GCPHD.

Vaxcare 11/01/25 - 11/30/25	
Compensation	\$925.34
Deductions	\$1,654.78
Total	-\$729.44

Deductions are categorized into three areas: chargeback claims, partner claims, and hardware fees.

Chargeback Claims – \$810.05:

This amount is the result of a billing system issue involving two patients, totaling \$810.05, for whom VaxCare was unable to verify eligibility within their system. These claims will be resubmitted to VaxCare with additional supporting documentation to resolve the discrepancy.

Partner Claims – \$824.73:

These charges are billed outside of the VaxCare platform and are reflected within our cash, card, and insurance revenue. The claims have already been submitted for billing and are in process.

Hardware Fee – \$20.00:

This represents the monthly fee for use of the VaxCare-provided hub.