

Board of Health Records

Lawrence, Massachusetts

Records of Contagious Disease Ledgers

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Book #1: Influenza Journal September 25, 1918 – April 9, 1920

This register is a record of influenza cases and billing pertaining to supplies and rents for “Tent City”. The journal is divided into the following sections: Pages 1-6 Base Hospital Bills dated November 1, 1918; Pages 10-210 Influenza Cases Reported dated September 25, 1918-April 9, 1920 (Note: page 106: “Commenced to put up cards”); Pages 572-588 Influenza Bills (Note: August 1919 a payment is listed to Hannah Daley for rent of “Tent City” land); Pages 590-600 Base Hospital Bills dated November, 1918.

Book #2: Communicable Diseases Laboratory Findings Ledger January 2, 1919-1928

This register is a record of disease testing and laboratory findings and includes the following categories: Patient Name, Residence, Date, Physician, Test Result. The ledger is categorized by disease. These diseases are: Diphtheria, Tuberculosis, Typhoid, Gonorrhoea, Lobar Pneumonia, Pneumonia, Ophthalmia, Diphtheria. Urine Exam findings are also included.

Book #3: Communicable Diseases Laboratory Findings Ledger January 9, 1929-April 7, 1948

This register is a record of disease testing and laboratory findings and includes the following categories: Patient Name, Residence, Date, Physician, Test Result. The ledger is categorized by disease. These diseases are: Diphtheria, Gonorrhoea, Tuberculosis, Typhoid Fever, Malaria, Vincents Angina, Bacillary Dysentery, Undulant Fever, Scarlet Fever, Septic Sore Throat, Meningitis, Anthrax.

Book #4: Record of Contagious Diseases 1892-1899

The ledger categories are as follows: Date, Measles, Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Fumigated and Card Removal, May Attend School, Result, Name, Age, School Attended, Residence, Physician, Owner, Condition of Premises.

Book #5: Record of Cases of Contagious Diseases 1899-1915

The ledger categories are as follows: Date, Measles, Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Fumigated and Card Removal, May Attend School, Result, Name, Age, School Attended, Residence, Physician, Owner, Condition of Premises.

Book #6: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1915-1918

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Disease, Physician, Milk Supply, Remarks.

Book #7: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1918-1920

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Disease, Physician, Milk Supply, Remarks.

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Book #8: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1920

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Disease, Physician, Milk Supply, Remarks.

Book #9: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1921-1922

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Disease, Physician, Milk Supply, Remarks. Note: The inside front cover bears an "Important Notice as to the keeping of records pertaining to gonorrhoea and syphilis off the public record". Note: Included in this ledger are loose pages listing death tallies from 1923-1930.

Book #10: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1922-1923

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Disease, Physician, Milk Supply, Remarks.

Book #11: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1924-1925

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Disease, Physician, Milk Supply, Remarks.

Book #12: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1925-1927

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Disease, Physician, Milk Supply, Water Supply, Remarks.

Book #13: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1927-1929

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Disease, Physician, Milk Supply, Water Supply, Remarks.

Book #14: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1929-1931

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Disease, Physician, Milk Supply, Water Supply, Remarks.

Book #15: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1931-1934

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Disease, Physician, Milk Supply, Water Supply, Remarks.

Book #16: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1934-1937

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Disease, Physician, Milk Supply, Water Supply, Remarks.

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Book #17: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1937-1939

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Disease, Physician, Milk Supply, Water Supply, Remarks.

Book #18: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1939-1941

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Disease, Physician, Milk Supply, Water Supply, Remarks.

Book #19: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1941-1944

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Physician, Remarks.

Book #20: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1945-1947

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Physician, Remarks.

Book #21: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1949-1952

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Physician, Remarks.

Book #22: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1952-1957

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Physician, Remarks.

Book #23: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1957-1963

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Physician, Remarks.

Book #24: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1963-1971

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Physician, Remarks.

Book #25: Isolation Hospital and Contagious Disease Expenses January 1, 1903 – July 31, 1919

This ledger contains the costs incurred to manage the Isolation Hospital. Ledger accounts include beds, food, medicine, clothing, ice, hardware, payroll, coal and electricity. Notations are made regarding rent paid to George A. Hadfield between May 1904 – March 31, 1915 for the use of his house at 156 Marston Street for the sum of \$7.00/month. Mrs. Hadfield was employed during this period as a nurse tending to smallpox patients. An additional entry lists a payment made to James Dolan at 12 Nelson Street in the amount of \$2.33 in February, 1903 for rent “while the house was occupied as a hospital”.

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Book #26: Social Disease Clinic Accounts 1919 – 1932

This ledger is in two sections. Section #1 is an accounting of the cash received from the State Department of Health to the Social Disease Clinic (pp 5-10). Section #2 is an accounting of cash received monthly from the Clinic (pp 25-30).

Book #27: Accounts Payable for Contagious Diseases 1921 – 1932

This ledger contains records of payments by the City of Lawrence to other state sanitoriums, hospitals and town/city Boards of Health. These include Rutland, Lakeville, North Reading and Westfield Sanitoriums, Lawrence General Hospital, Boston Consumptive Hospital, Mass Memorial Hospital, Harvard Infantile Paralysis Commission, State Infirmary, Mass General Hospital. Information includes Date Paid, Patient Name and Amount.

Book #28: Accounts Receivable for Contagious Diseases 1920 – 1952

This ledger is an accounting of money and subsidies owed the Lawrence Board of Health for medical treatments and hospitalizations of patients. The first section of this ledger is an alphabetized list of names along with a corresponding page number. The second part of the ledger is a detailed explanation of the aforementioned patients' required medical care along with amounts paid and received.