



CDC sends EIS officers to investigate a cancer cluster in Niles, Illinois. Discovery of a connection between leukemia and birth defects puts a public health focus on chronic diseases.

CDC assigns an EIS officer to work on family planning, expanding the agency's work to global population issues.

EIS officers are on the scene as CDC begins a worldwide smallpox eradication campaign in Africa. Thirteen years later, the world is declared smallpox-free.

EIS officers work on malnutrition and famine relief in the Nigerian-Biafran war zone, expanding CDC's work to nutrition.