

Did you know that Public Health...

- Inspects and grades restaurants, markets, and food trucks to prevent food-related illness?
- Monitors ocean water and swimming pools to ensure safe swim areas?
- Treats people with sexually transmitted diseases and HIV/AIDS?
- Helps residents prepare for natural and human-caused emergencies and disasters?
- Inspects and licenses hospitals and nursing homes?
- Controls animals, rodents, and insects that may cause disease?
- Makes home visits to coordinate the care of high-risk pregnant women?
- Provides laboratory services to identify diseases and health hazards?

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*The Los Angeles County
Department of Public Health's
mission is to protect health,
prevent disease, and promote the
health and well-being of all
persons in Los Angeles County*

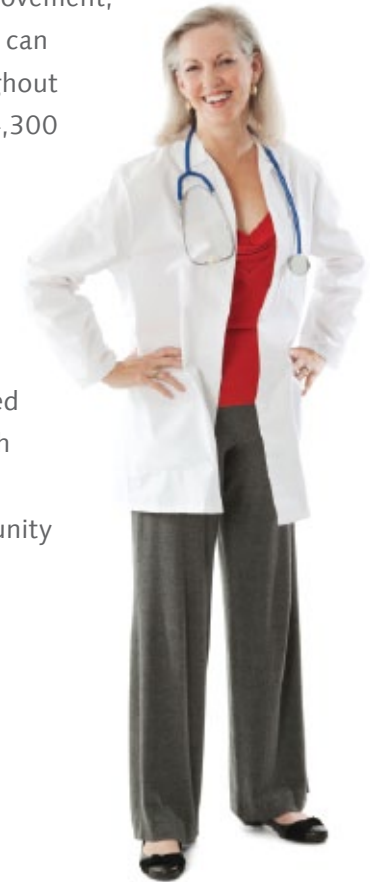


How Does Public Health Help the Community?

The Department of Public Health is prevention-focused and works in many areas to protect and improve the health of our community.

Whether inspecting a restaurant, beach, or nursing home; treating an infectious disease at a public health center; responding to outbreaks or emergencies, such as a pandemic or earthquake; educating the public and community leaders through events and meetings; conducting surveys to assess the health of the population; or creating policies focused on health improvement, the department's work can be seen and felt throughout Los Angeles County's 4,300 square miles.

Day in and day out, the nearly 4,000 employees who staff the department's 39 programs are committed to protecting the health of LA County residents and making the community a better, and healthier, place to live.



Programs and Services

A comprehensive range of programs enables the Department of Public Health to protect and improve the health of LA County residents. Here are a few of the department's programs.

Children's Medical Services: Screens and treats those 21 years old and under.

Chronic Diseases: Focuses on reducing occurrence through environmental and lifestyle change.

Communicable Disease Control and Prevention: Seeks to reduce risk factors through disease surveillance and promoting healthy behavior.

Community Health Services: Provides clinical services and case management through the public health centers.

Emergency Preparedness and Response: Prepares residents for public health threats such as infectious disease and bioterrorism.

Environmental Health: Promotes quality of life by controlling environmental factors, including restaurant inspections.

Health Assessment and Epidemiology: Develops surveys to collect data on health conditions and behavior.

Health Facilities Inspection: Licenses and certifies nearly 2,000 health facilities.

HIV/AIDS: Seeks to prevent the spread of HIV/AIDS.

Immunizations: Protects the community against vaccine-preventable diseases.

Maternal, Child, and Adolescent Health: Evaluates, plans, and implements services for these groups.

Public Health Investigation: Safeguards health through enforcement of public health laws.

Public Health Laboratory: Protects public health through laboratory testing.

Senior Health: Improves quality of life for the elderly and their families.

Sexually Transmitted Diseases: Works to prevent and control STDs throughout the county.

Substance Abuse Prevention and Control: Strives to reduce abuse through evidence-based programs and policy advocacy.

Tuberculosis: Seeks to prevent transmission through early detection of active disease and treatment of latent infection.

Veterinary Public Health and Rabies Control: Investigates animal disease outbreaks and animal bites.

Women's Health: Strives to improve health through strategic planning, including the Women's Health hotline.

Public Health Centers

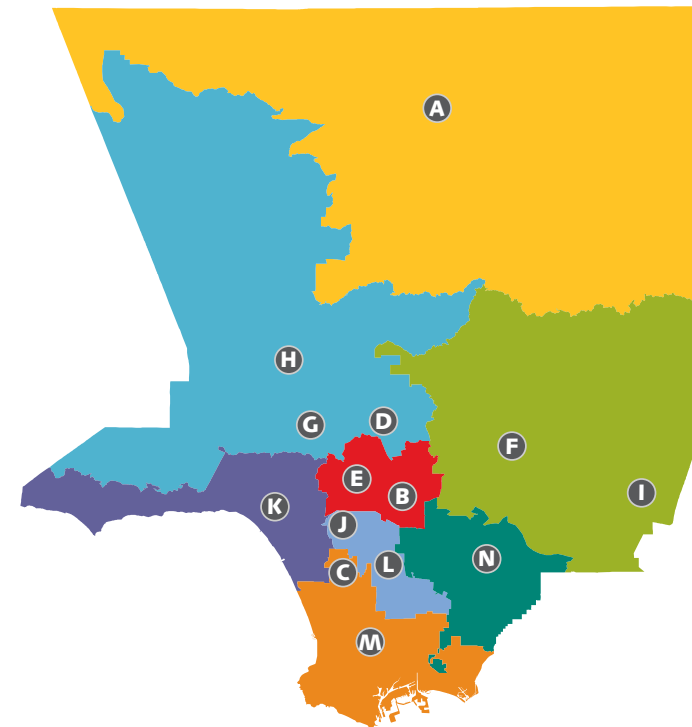
The Department of Public Health operates 14 health centers that provide free and low-cost services for those without health insurance or a regular health care provider.

Services provided are Immunizations, Tuberculosis (TB) screening and treatment, and Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD) testing and treatment.

- A Antelope Valley Public Health Center**
335-B East Ave. K-6
Lancaster, CA 93535
(661) 723-4526
- B Central Public Health Center**
241 N. Figueroa St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012
(213) 240-8204
- C Curtis R. Tucker Public Health Center**
123 W. Manchester Blvd.
Inglewood, CA 90301
(310) 419-5325
- D Glendale Public Health Center**
501 N. Glendale Ave.
Glendale, CA 91206
(818) 500-5750
Immunization and TB services only; TB clinics are by appointment
- E Hollywood/Wilshire Public Health Center**
5205 Melrose Ave.
Los Angeles, CA 90038
(323) 769-7800
- F Monrovia Public Health Center**
330 W. Maple Ave.
Monrovia, CA 91016
(626) 256-1600
- G North Hollywood Public Health Center**
5300 Tujunga Ave.
N. Hollywood, CA 91601
(818) 766-3982
STD services only
- H Pacoima Public Health Center**
13300 Van Nuys Blvd.
Pacoima, CA 91331
(818) 896-1903
Immunization and TB services only; TB clinics are by appointment
- I Pomona Public Health Center**
750 S. Park Ave.
Pomona, CA 91766
(909) 868-0235
- J Ruth Temple Public Health Center**
3834 S. Western Ave.
Los Angeles, CA 90062
(323) 730-3507
STD services only
- K Simms/Mann Health and Wellness Center**
2509 Pico Blvd.
Room 325
Santa Monica, CA 90405
(310) 998-3203
STD services only
- L Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Public Health**
11833 S. Wilmington Ave.
Los Angeles, CA 90059
(323) 568-8100
- M Torrance Public Health Center**
711 Del Amo Blvd.
Torrance, CA 90502
(310) 354-2300
- N Whittier Public Health Center**
7643 S. Painter Ave.
Whittier, CA 90602
(562) 464-5350

Service Planning Areas

Los Angeles County is divided into eight geographic regions, or Service Planning Areas (SPAs). These distinct areas allow the Department of Public Health to provide public health and clinical services that meet the specific health needs in these areas.



SPA Administrative Offices

- Antelope Valley (SPA 1)**
- San Fernando Valley (SPA 2)**
Serving the communities of Antelope, Santa Clarita, San Fernando and Crescenta valleys
(818) 487-0063
- San Gabriel Valley (SPA 3)**
- Metro (SPA 4)**
Serving the communities of Hollywood, Downtown Los Angeles, and San Gabriel Valley
(213) 240-8049
- West (SPA 5)**
- South (SPA 6)**
Serving the communities of South Central Los Angeles, West Los Angeles, and the Santa Monica Bay region
(323) 730-3515
- San Gabriel Valley (SPA 3)**
- Metro (SPA 4)**
- East (SPA 7)**
- South Bay (SPA 8)**
Serving the communities of the Gateway Cities, East Los Angeles, and the South Bay
(562) 464-5478

Community Health Services Administration: (213) 240-8040

Who Do I Contact?

The following is a list of services and contact information for some of the programs offered by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health.

- Birth and Death Certificates**
Birth certificate
(213) 240-7812
Death certificate
(213) 240-7816
- Children's Medical Services**
California Children's Services (CCS)—health care services for children with special health care needs
(800) 288-4584
Child Health and Disability Prevention Program (CHDP)—access to preventive health exams for low/moderate-income families and children with Medi-Cal coverage
(800) 993-2437
- Emergency Preparedness Program**
(213) 637-3600
- Foodborne Illness**
(213) 240-7821 (M-F, 8 am-5 pm)
(213) 974-1234 (evenings and weekends)
- HIV/AIDS and STDs**
(800) 367-AIDS (2437) (M-F, 9 am-5 pm, English and Spanish)
(800) 758-0880 (automated, 24 hours a day, English and Spanish)
(213) 744-5949 (M-F, 9 am-5 pm; health educators are available)
- Immunizations**
(213) 351-7800
- Restaurant Grades and Closures**
(888) 700-9995
- Substance Abuse**
(626) 299-4193
- Veterinary Public Health and Rabies Control**
(877) 747-2243
- Women's Health**
(626) 569-3850 (M-F, 8 am-5 pm)
(800) 793-8090 (hotline for low-income women)

For a more comprehensive listing, the most up-to-date contact information, or to file a report on a public health threat, visit the department's website at www.publichealth.lacounty.gov.

For information about other LA County health and human services, call 2-1-1.