



# Memorandum



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**To:** Southern Nevada District Board of Health

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-on behalf of Lourdes Yapjoco  
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**RE: PUBLIC HEALTH & PREVENTIVE CARE BOARD OF HEALTH REPORT – March 2025**

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## I. Immunization Program

### A. Immunization Program Activities

1. The public health centers continue to administer new trivalent Flu 2024-2025 formulation for the season which ends at the end of June 2025. A total 636 flu vaccines were administered between all four Immunization Public Health Centers.
2. For the month of March, there were 2,174 clients seen with 6,404 vaccines administered in all four Immunization PHCs.
3. There were 256 immunization records reviewed.
4. The collaboration with the American Cancer Association and the HPV Learning Collaborative has ended. SNHD is waiting for finalization paperwork from the American Cancer Association.
5. National Infant Immunization Week is on April 21-28, 2025, and the Immunization Team has met with community partners and with other SNHD programs for this annual event. The purpose of this event is to highlight the importance of protecting infants and children from vaccine-preventable diseases and completing the initial vaccination series.
6. Back-to-School (BTS) planning has commenced and ways to improve shorter wait times and processing is being reviewed.

### B. Immunization Outreach Activities

1. Total outreach clinics in March -11 clinics, 596 vaccines were administered to 263 clients. The clinics were held at CCSD Family Support Center and in partnership with Help of Southern Nevada, Nevada Homeless Alliance, Boulder City Library, and REACH.
2. With the addition of School Located Vaccinations and Immunization Education subgrants, staff conduct school-based clinics to increase immunization compliance. Educational resources - SNHD referral lists and vaccine information for children and adults are provided during outreach events.

## II. Community Health Nursing

### A. Nursing Education

There were no Nursing CEUs offered for the month of March.

### B. Maternal Child Health

There were no newborn screenings and one lead referral in March. The Maternal Child Health (MCH) Nurse provides education, support, and community resources to nine active lead clients/families. One lead case was closed in March due to meeting the closure criteria. The MCH nurse worked at an immunization outreach clinic to provide vaccines to the community. She is also assisting in coordinating community group-based education events and performing nurse visits for the Health Start program.

C. Nurse Family Partnership (NFP)

The Southern Nevada Health District-Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP) has 153 active families. Sixty-four are currently participating in the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) program. Twenty-six families are participating through the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) funding. Both grants are from the Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health. Nurse Family Partnership (NFP) Nurse Home Visitors continue to enroll first-time pregnant women referred by various community partners including WIC, Pregnancy testing site and prenatal providers. In March 2025, the program enrolled 11 pregnant moms, served a total of 102 families, and completed 129 visits.

D. Healthy Start Initiative- Enhanced

The Southern Nevada Health District's Healthy Start Initiative Program is supported by the Health Resources and Service Administration (HRSA) of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). Sixty-seven active families were served March 2025.

In-person program outreach was conducted at Volunteers in Medicine, Baby's Bounty, Nevada Prep Charter School, Olive Crest, Nevada Health Centers WIC (Gowan location), State of Nevada Department Regional Center, East Las Vegas Library, SNHD (Bonanza location). The program's Community Health Workers (CHWs) completed outreach at different DWSS locations.

The Healthy Start program has conducted and continues to plan more group educational events for the community. A Mama and Papa Bear Clinic will be held at SNHD on April 23, 2025, in collaboration with Molina Medicaid and The Children's Cabinet. At this event, members of the community will have access to a diaper bank and education stations relating to newborn health and safety, and toddler nutrition. The Healthy Start program is also planning a community baby shower on May 19, 2025, in collaboration with UHC HPN Medicaid. This is a baby shower open to any expecting mothers in the community. There will be a variety of community partners in attendance to provide education to the families, as well as raffle prizes for the mothers.

E. Embracing Fatherhood

In March 2025, there were 2 active families enrolled in Embracing Fatherhood of Southern Nevada. The program continues to connect with community partners to reach its focus audience, fathers and anyone stepping into a father's role. Embracing Fatherhood of Southern Nevada's Community Health Worker (CHW) provided several resources to its clients including a referral to Hope Link that assisted the father with permanent housing placement.

Outreach to promote the program was completed by the CHW at Dad Inc., Healthy Living Institute, East Valley Family Services, City of North Las Vegas- Dolores Huerta Resource Center, City of Henderson, Chicanos Por La Causa, Legal Aid, Mexican Consulate, Unity Way of Southern Nevada, Centennial Hills Hospital, Sunrise Children's Hospital, Summerlin Hospital and Mountain View Hospital.

**III. Sexual Health Outreach and Prevention Program (SHOPP)**

- A. Express Testing (ET) is a program that conducts testing for sexually transmitted infections (STI's) without a provider exam for asymptomatic patients. ET provided 238 screening encounters, including 34 Clients who were tested at Homeless Outreach events, and 23 at Fremont Friday clinics. The SHOPP team has also expanded to doing once weekly testing at the UNLV student center with our first clinic on 03/26/2025 testing 7 clients. The

partnership between SHOPP and AFAN will continue with doing outreaches as requested by AFAN, due to low testing volume SHOPP will no longer be doing bi-weekly testing at the AFAN clinic with our last clinic being 03/25/2025.

- B. The Congenital Syphilis Case Management Program (CSCMP) is a program to address the high rate of congenital syphilis in the community. The CSCMP nurses, in coordination with perinatal Hep B and HIV programs, continue to meet monthly to plan future targeted education sessions to increase knowledge and awareness of these diseases and available resources. The team continues to serve 56 active clients and completed 1 educational community event.
- C. Members of SHOPP team attended educational classes on harm reduction in the field: wound care training, as well as Empower.
- D. SHOPP houses a Neurosyphilis Emergent Onsite Navigation (NEON) program which aims to provide critical linkage services to patients suspected of neurosyphilis. Two NEON referrals were received, 1 client was navigated and 1 client declined services at this time. The CSCM nurse, in coordination with the Sexual Health Clinic and the University Medical Center's Wellness Center staff navigated 1 patient to UMC ER for the appropriate medical evaluation, diagnostic tests, and treatment.
- E. SHOPP also houses a Home Administered Treatment for Sexually Transmitted Infections (HATS) program. This program is specific to those who have barriers to getting into a clinic for treatment, such as experiencing homelessness or no transportation. With this program SHOPP and the SNHD DIIS team partner together to get those facing barriers treated for STIs. In the month of March, the team was able to start treatment, as well as do follow up treatments on 12 patients for STI's in the field.
- F. The SHOPP *Rapid PREVENT* program enrolled 2 clients this month with a total of 4 active clients. The three CHW's for this initiative work collaboratively with Express Testing to assess and provide linkage to care services.
- G. Through collaboration with Comagine and the Southern Nevada Pathways HUB, the Southern Nevada Health District's SHOPP team has initiated a program called *Pathways to Better Health* (PBH). This HRSA demonstration project will incorporate referrals from UNLV Maternal Fetal Medicine to a "hub". SHOPP's PBH is designated as a care coordination agency (CCA) receiving referrals as well as any identified clients served through SHOPP visits. This program serves pregnant/postpartum mothers and follows until the infant turns one year of age. The community health workers support, educate and provide linkages and referrals with the goal of improving health outcomes during and after pregnancy for both moms and babies. During the month of March, the CHWs were able to enroll 3 clients in the program.

#### **IV. Tuberculosis (TB) Clinic**

TB clinic has five (5) new adult TB active cases and zero (0) pediatric cases that were reported for the month of March 2025.

#### **V. Employee Health Nursing – March 2025**

- A. There were zero (0) SNHD employee who was tested for COVID-19. Zero (0) PCR tests conducted. Zero (0) tests from outside entities. Zero (0) employees tested positive for COVID.

B. Employee New Hire and Annual Tuberculosis (TB) testing continues, and annual catch-up TB testing is ongoing. Thirty-six (36) Tuberculosis tests were completed.

C. Employee New Hire and Annual FIT Testing Medical Evaluations continue. Eight (8) medical clearances were completed.

D. There were no employee Blood Borne Pathogens exposure cases.

E. There are no new employee TB exposure cases.

F. Vaccine Clinics

➤ March 1 – March 31, 2025

Total employees vaccinated: 0

➤ 0 COVID-19 Updated booster

➤ 0 Influenza Vaccines.

➤ 0 Monkeypox Vaccines

➤ 0 other vaccines

Total vaccines given: 0

G. New Hire/ Onboarding: Five (5) new hires were onboarded.

H. Employee Health Nurse Accomplishments

A. Completed Exposure Control Plan update.

B. Instructed CPR class.

C. Started developing an Employee Health page on the intranet and an online event registration form for upcoming Skills Fairs.

D. Contributed to an article in the Dish and collaborated with the Office of Communications (OOC) to have a regular column in the Dish.

E. Completed OSHA Workplace Evaluation and Management Tools class.

I. Policies and procedures continue to be reviewed and updated.

# PUBLIC HEALTH AND PREVENTIVE CARE

## MONTHLY REPORT

March 2025

### Client Encounters by Locations

Location	DECATUR PHC	ELV PHC	Hend PHC	Mesquite PHC	Laughlin	Mobile Clinic	Homeless Outreach	Targeted Populations	*Other BTS Clinic	TOTAL
Immunization	1,183	692	263	36	0	0	27	9	235	2,445
Immunization Records Issued	176	66	14	0						256
Newborn Metabolic Screening	2	0	0	0						2
SHOPP	228						34			262
TB Treatment & Control	1,612									1,612
TOTAL	3,201	758	277	36	0	0	61	9	235	4,577

### Client Encounters by Program

Program	Mar 2024	Mar 2025		FY 23-24	FY 24-25	
Immunizations**	2,278	2,445	↑	28,721	26,150	↓
Immunizations Records Issued	256	256	→	2,643	3,223	↑
COVID-19 Vaccine Given*	365	387	↑	4425	3,713	↓
Newborn Met. Screening	0	2	↑	0	2	↑
SHOPP	232	262	↑	1,768	2,216	↑
TB Treatment & Control	1,634	1,612	↓	12,892	13,303	↑
SAPTA Services	34	^^	↑	233	^^	↑
TOTAL	4,799	4,964	↑	50,682	48,607	↓

^^ SAPTA grant ended 09/30/2024

### Total Client Immunizations Administered by Locations

Location	DECATUR PHC	ELV PHC	Hend PHC	Mesquit e PHC	Laughli n	Mobile Clinic	Homeless Outreach	Targeted Populations	*Other BTS Clinic	TOTAL
Total Immunizations Administered ***	3,757	1973	586	88	0	0	64	21	675	7,164

\*Includes Family centers, School clinics, and Immunization Outreach BTS clinic

\*\*Includes BTS encounters by clinic, outreach, and COVID teams

\*\*\* New category added 07/01/2024

### Total Client Immunizations Administered by Locations

Program	Mar 2024	Mar 2025		FY 23-24	FY 24-25	
Total Immunizations Administered **	6,454	7,164	↑	67,930	76,804	↑

## Immunization Program

Immunizations	Mar 2024	Mar 2025		FY 23-24	FY 24-25	
Flu Vaccine Given	602	636	↑	5,927	8,493	↑
Gratis	95	48	↓	1,264	908	↓
COVID Vaccine*	296	387	↑	3,450	3,713	↑

\*Given by Immunization Clinics

Vaccines for Children (VFC)	Mar 2024	Mar 2025		FY 23-24	FY 24-25	
Number of VFC Compliance Visits	8	0	↓	53	40	↓
Number of IQIP Visits	11	7	↓	34	33	↓
Number of Follow Up Contacts	27	21	↓	271	276	↑
Number of Annual Provider Training	8	0	↓	47	45	↓
Number of State Requested Visits	27	16	↓	325	139	↓

Perinatal Hepatitis B	Mar 2024	Mar 2025		FY 23-24	FY 24-25	
# of Expectant Women	24	15	↓	17	13	↓
# of Infants	68	56	↓	70	64	↓
Total # of Infants Delivered	1	2	↑	24	27	↑
New Cases	7	6	↓	41	36	↓
Closed Cases	2	10	↑	33	64	↑

Childcare Program	Mar 2024	Mar 2025		FY 23-24	FY 24-25	
Childcare Audits	10	11	↑	87	65	↓
Baseline Immunization Rate	74%	82%	↑	78%	79%	↑
# of Final Audits	10	11	↑	87	65	↓
Final Immunization Rate	97%	98%	↑	95%	94%	↓
# of Records Reviewed	716	919	↑	7808	5621	↓

## Covid-19 Vaccine Campaign \*\*

	Mar 2024	Mar 2025		FY 23-24	FY 24-25	
COVID-19 Vaccine Campaign						
# of COVID-19 Vaccines administered	365	n/a	↑	4,425	n/a	↑
# of Monkeypox Vaccine administered	26	n/a	↑	325	n/a	↑
# of Influenza Vaccine administered	252	n/a	↑	2830	n/a	↑
# of Healthcare Provider Compliance Visits	0	n/a	↑	4	n/a	↑
# of Newly Enrolled Healthcare Provider Education Sessions	0	n/a	↑	16	n/a	↑
# of Potential Healthcare Provider Recruitment Sessions	0	n/a	↑	48	n/a	↑
# of Healthcare Provider Contacts	93	n/a	↑	849	n/a	↑

**\*\*Program ended 12/31/2024**

## Community Health Program

<b>Nursing Field Services</b>	Mar 2024	Mar 2025		FY 23-24	FY 24-25	
<b>MCH Team Home Visit Encounters</b>	17	14	↓	92	123	↑

NFP (Team 1)	Mar 2024	Mar 2025		FY 23-24	FY 24-25	
Referrals	11	22	↑	123	157	↑
Enrolled	10	11	↑	71	76	↑
Active	114	132	↑			

NFP (Expansion Team)	Mar 2024	Mar 2025		FY 23-24	FY 24-25	
Referrals	10	5	↓	50	38	↓
Enrolled	3	1	↓	33	15	↓
Active	66	26	↓			

MCH	Mar 2024	Mar 2025		FY 23-24	FY 24-25	
# of Referrals Received	4	6	↑	31	38	↑
# from CPS	3	5	↑	22	29	↑
# of Lead Referrals	0	1	↑	6	7	↑
# of Total Admissions	4	4	→	16	32	↑

EHB *	Mar 2024	Mar 2025		FY 23-24	FY 24-25	
Referrals **	N/A	N/A	→	15	n/a	↑
Enrolled **	N/A	N/A	→	16	n/a	↑
Active	19	N/A	↑			

\*Phasing to Healthy Start

Thrive by 0 – 3	Mar 2024	Mar 2025		FY 23-24	FY 24-25	
Referrals	67	38	↓	508	315	↓
One-Time Home Visits	7	1	→	79	27	↓
Enrolled	3	1	↓	18	23	↑
Active	13	25	↑			

Healthy Start**	Mar 2024	Mar 2025		FY 23-24	FY 24-25	
Referrals	6	29	↑	15	210	↑
Enrolled	1	12	↑	2	58	↑
Active	2	67	↑			

**\*\*New program as of 01/01/2024**

	Mar 2024	Mar 2025		FY 23-24	FY 24-25	
<b>Embracing Fatherhood***</b>						
<b>Referrals **</b>	n/a	0	↓	n/a	3	↓
<b>Enrolled **</b>	n/a	0	↓	n/a	2	↓
<b>Active</b>	n/a	2	↓			

\*\*\*New program as of 01/01/2025

## Tuberculosis Program

Tuberculosis	Mar 2024	Mar 2025		FY 23-24	FY 24-25	
Number of Case Management Activities*	278	328	↑	1,893	2,339	↑
Number of Monthly Pulmonary Specialist Clinic Clients Seen	33	34	↑	247	246	↓
Number of Monthly Electronic Disease Notifications Clinic Clients (Class B)	34	106	↑	313	671	↑
Outreach Activities during the Month - Presentations, Physician Visits, Correctional Visits, etc.	6	6	→	201	53	↓
Directly Observed Therapy (DOT) Field, clinic and televideo encounters	1,256	1,284	↑	11,181	11,356	↑
*New EMR system- Counting only successful activities						

## Sexual Health Outreach and Prevention Program (SHOPP)

SHOPP - Express Testing	Mar 2024	Mar 2025		FY 23-24	FY 24-25	
# of Screening encounters	185	238	↑	1,554	1,951	↑
# of Clients Screened	185	238	↑	1,546	1,951	↑
# of Clients with positive STI identified	15	27	↑	143	185	↑
SHOPP- Linkage	Mar 2024	Mar 2025		FY 23-24	FY 24-25	
# of clients referred to Linkage	19	24	↑	123	163	↑
# of clients linked to care	18	24	↑	93	159	↑
SHOPP- Congenital Syphilis Case Management Program (Nurse)	Mar 2024	Mar 2025		FY 23-24	FY 24-25	
# of Referrals (pregnant, post-partum, infants)	8	4	↓	106	67	↓
# of Clients enrolled in CM	6	3	↓	72	46	↓
# of Active pregnant/ postpartum clients	44	39	↓			
# of Infants being followed	21	17	↓			
# of Provider/ Community trainings	4	1	↓	10	24	↑
SHOPP -Services for Unhoused Patients with Resources and Engagement in core (SURE)	Mar 2024	Mar 2025		FY 23-24	FY 24-25	
# of Outreach events	n/a	6	^	n/a	47	^
SHOPP- Complex STI Navigation	Mar 2024	Mar 2025		FY 23-24	FY 24-25	
# of Clients referred	n/a	2	^^	n/a	36	^^
# of Clients navigated	n/a	1	^^	n/a	33	^^
# of Home administrered treatment of STI (HATS)	n/a	12	^	n/a	25	^

\*Outreach started 03/01/2024

^ No data available

^^ No data available - data collecting began 12/01/2023

**Non- cumulative**