

Memorandum



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To: Southern Nevada District Board of Health

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RE: PUBLIC HEALTH & PREVENTIVE CARE BOARD OF HEALTH REPORT – August 2025

The Public Health and Preventive Care (PPC) Division is dedicated to protecting and promoting the health of our community. Through a range of clinical services, programmatic initiatives, and community outreach efforts, PPC works to prevent disease, support wellness, and ensure access to essential health resources for all residents. Our goal is to create a healthier, more equitable community by addressing public health needs with care, collaboration, and evidence-based practices.

I. PPC Administrative Updates

- A. The expanded use of the electronic health record system (eClinicalWorks) has improved patient access to online self-scheduling. Trainings from the Project/Program Coordinator is ongoing to ensure continued quality assurance in the implementation process.
- B. The Immunization Project program received their Notice of Subaward from the State of Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health.
- C. The Healthy Start program received its third year Notice of Award in the amount of \$1,100,000.00 this month.
- D. The division successfully completed a quality improvement (QI) initiative aimed at increasing vaccine reimbursement rates from a third-party payer. There is the addition of immunization fees to the contracted fee schedules with United Health Care/ Health Plan Nevada (UHC/HPN)
- E. A Grand Canyon University master's student successfully completed her preceptorship course and finished a project with the Immunization teams to improve their ongoing QI process.

II. Immunization Program

- A. Immunization Program Activities
 - 1. The 2025-2026 flu season started in July 2025. It is recommended that everyone 6 months and older, with rare exceptions, should get a flu vaccine every season. Per the CDC, it is recommended to receive the flu vaccine between October thru March. The Immunization Public Health Centers will begin administering the new trivalent formulation by mid-September.
 - 2. Back-to-School (BTS) 2025-2026 commenced in July 2025 and ended in late August. All Immunization Public Health Centers continue to provide school-age vaccines throughout the year. The Immunization Public Health Centers encourages, "Don't wait to vaccinate."

3. In the month of August 2025, 3,985 children were served.

Age	# of Patients
< 1	17
1	19
2	13
3-4	201
5-6	325
7-10	235
11-12	1,073
13-18	2,102
19-24	90
25-44	1,281
45+	448
Total	5,804

B. Immunization Outreach Activities

1. Staff supported the Back-to-School appointments from August 1-14, 2025.
2. Immunization outreach clinics in August- two clinics, 469 vaccines were administered to 207 clients. The clinics were held at CCSD Family Support Center on August 19 and 20, 2025.
3. Data entry and QA of Vaccine Administration Records (VARs) were completed.

III. **Community Health Nursing**

A. Nursing Education

There was one class and five (5) CEUs offered for the month of August 2025.

B. Maternal Child Health

The Maternal Child Health (MCH) Nurse received no newborn screening or lead referrals in August. There are currently 10 active clients enrolled in the Lead program. The MCH nurse continues to help the Healthy Start program by completing joint visits with the Community Health Workers providing the participants with skilled nurse assessments. In addition, she attended an outreach event promoting CHN home visiting programs and assisted the MCH Coalition in the assembly of the New Mama Care Kits.

C. Nurse Family Partnership (NFP)

The Southern Nevada Health District-Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP) includes a team of seven well trained nurse home visitors who are providing skilled education, support, and community resources to 151 families who are enrolled in the program. Sixty-nine of those are currently participating in the Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) Program, a grant from the Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health. The goal of the program is to provide home visiting services to improve pregnancy outcomes, enhance the growth and development of children, and increase the self-sufficiency of the families.

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). There were 79 families served in the Healthy Start program in August 2025. Program outreach was conducted at the Galen College of Nursing's resource fair and at various DWSS locations this month. Healthy Start's Community Consortium is collaborating with multiple community partners, including Department of Welfare and Supportive Services and the Medicaid MCOs, to plan a health fair for the community in the fall. The goal of the health fair is to offer community members the opportunity to sign up for Medicaid services at the event and to increase the awareness of what each MCO plan offers.

E. Embracing Fatherhood

The Embracing Fatherhood of Southern Nevada program is currently providing services to 14 enrolled fathers, or those stepping into the fatherhood role. The program consists of one Community Health Worker who provides in-home education, support, and community resources.

IV. 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 204 screening encounters for the month of August.
- 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 39 active clients and completed 6 academic and educational community events.
- C. Members of the SHOPP team attended the Southern Nevada Substance Misuse and Overdose Summit.
- D. SHOPP houses Complex STI navigation services including Neurosyphilis Emergent Onsite Navigation (NEON) program which aims to provide critical linkage services to patients suspected of neurosyphilis. Two NEON referrals were received, and 2 clients were navigated. The Home Administered Treatment for Sexually Transmitted Infections (HATS) service is an innovative public health intervention aimed at increasing access to care. This program is specific to those who have barriers to getting into a clinic for STI treatment, such as experiencing homelessness or no transportation. SHOPP and the SNHD DIIS team partner to get those facing barriers treated for STIs in their home or on the streets. In the month of August, one unhoused patient received this service.
- E. The SHOPP *Rapid PREVENT* program has a total of 11 enrolled clients. CHW's for this initiative work collaboratively with Express Testing to assess and provide linkage to care services and community resources.
- F. SHOPP's Pathways to Better Health (PBH) 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. This program now has a total of 28 active clients.

V. Tuberculosis (TB) Clinic

TB clinic has three (3) new adult TB active cases and zero (0) pediatric cases for the month of August 2025.

VI. Employee Health Nursing – August 2025

- A. There were two (2) SNHD employees who tested for COVID-19. Zero (0) PCR tests were conducted. Zero (0) tests from outside entities.
- B. Employee New Hire and Annual Tuberculosis (TB) testing continues, and annual catch-up TB testing is ongoing. Twenty (20) Tuberculosis tests were completed.
- C. Employee New Hire and Annual FIT Testing Medical Evaluations continue. Twenty-three (23) medical clearances were completed.

D. Vaccine Clinics

1. August 1 – August 31, 2025
2. Employees Total: 1 employee
 - a) 0 COVID-19 Updated booster.
 - b) 0 Influenza Vaccine
 - c) 0 Monkeypox Vaccine
 - d) 1 other vaccine
 - e) 0 Hepatitis B vaccines- Immz Policy
3. Total Vaccines Given: 1

E. New Hire/Onboarding: One (1) new hire was onboarded.

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

Monthly Report

August-25

Client Encounters by Locations

Location	DECATUR PHC	Bonanza PHC	Henderson PHC	Mesquite PHC	Fremont PHC	UNLV	Homeless Outreach	Other Outreach	School Based Outreach	Mobile Clinic	TOTAL
Immunization Clinics and Outreach	2,930	951	321	103	143		0	0	207		4,655
Immunization Records Issued and Transcription	469	180	47	18	5						719
SHOPP Express Testing (ET)	144		4	0	27	22	7	0			204
TB Treatment & Control	1,503										1,503
CHN Home Visits ^	329										329
TOTAL	5,375	1,131	372	121	175	22	7	0	207	0	7,410

^ Data reporting began 7/1/2025

Client Encounters by Program

Program	Aug 2024	Aug 2025		FY 24-25	FY 25-26	
Immunization Clinics and Outreach**	5,348	4,655	↓	9,050	7,771	↓
Immunization Records Issued and Transcription	1,053	719	↓	1,649	1,347	↓
SHOPP Express Testing	283	204	↓	552	461	↓
TB Treatment & Control	1,384	1,503	↑	2,784	3,287	↑
CHN Home Visits ^		329	↑		680	↑
TOTAL	8,068	7,410	↓	14,035	13,546	↓

^ Data reporting began 7/1/2025

Total Client Immunizations Administered by Locations

Location	DECATUR PHC	Bonanza PHC	Henderson PHC	Mesquite PHC	Fremont PHC	UNLV	Homeless Outreach	Other Immuniza tion Outreach	School Based Outreach	Mobile Clinic	TOTAL
Total Immunizations Administered ***	6,509	2109	576	173	300		0	0	0		9,667

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

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

*** New category added 07/01/2024

Total Client Immunizations Administered by Locations

Program	Aug 2024	Aug 2025		FY 24-25	FY 25-26	
Total Immunizations Administered ***	13,892	9,367	↓	23,146	16,993	↓

Immunization Clinic and Outreach Programs

Immunizations	Aug 2024	Aug 2025		FY 24-25	FY 25-26	
Flu Vaccine Given	0	0	→	0	0	→
COVID Vaccine Given	63	12	↓	285	12	↓
TB Skin Test *	^	8	↓	^	14	↓
Newborn Screening	0	0	→	0	0	→
Immunization Record Review and Release Only*	^	650	↓	^	1,252	↓
Transcription of Immunization Records Only*	^	64	↓	^	95	↓
Same Day Appts *	^	1,796	↓	^	2,679	↓
Referred to Civil Surgeon for Medical Assessment*	^	2	↓	^	5	↓
Vaccine Counseled **	^	65	↓	^	159	↓

*Started data collection 07/01/2025

**Counseled related to travel or routine vaccinations; no vaccine provided at appointment.

^No data available

Vaccines for Children (VFC)	Aug 2024	Aug 2025		FY 24-25	FY 25-26	
Number of VFC Compliance Visits	2	2	→	2	3	↑
Number of IQIP Visits	0	0	→	0	0	→
Number of Follow Up Contacts	22	30	↑	42	42	→
Number of Annual Provider Training	2	2	→	2	3	↑
Number of State Requested Visits	16	7	↓	34	14	↓

Perinatal Hepatitis B	Aug 2024	Aug 2025		FY 24-25	FY 25-26	
# of Expectant Women	17	10	↓	17	12	↓
# of Infants	65	61	↓	66	58	↓
Total # of Infants Delivered	2	5	↑	6	8	↑
New Cases	6	4	↓	6	6	→
Closed Cases	3	0	↓	20	3	↓

Childcare Program	Aug 2024	Aug 2025		FY 24-25	FY 25-26	
Childcare Audits	0	1	↑	1	3	↑
Baseline Immunization Rate	n/a	100%	↓	83%	91%	↑
# of Final Audits	0	1	↑	0	3	↑
Final Immunization Rate	n/a	100%	↓	83%	96%	↑
# of Records Reviewed	0	98	↑	0	203	↑

Community Health Program

	Aug 2024	Aug 2025		FY 24-25	FY 25-26	
Nursing Field Services						
MCH Team Home Visit Encounters	14	14	→	30	37	↑

	Aug 2024	Aug 2025		FY 24-25	FY 25-26	
NFP (Team 1)						
Referrals	10	12	↑	28	23	↓
Enrolled	8	11	↑	14	17	↑
Active	122	131	↑			

	Aug 2024	Aug 2025		FY 24-25	FY 25-26	
NFP (Expansion Team)**						
Referrals	5	0	↓	11	0	↓
Enrolled	4	0	↓	6	0	↓
Active	65	0	↓			
** Pending receipt of NOA**						

	Aug 2024	Aug 2025		FY 24-25	FY 25-26	
MCH						
# of Referrals Received	6	2	↓	11	14	↑
# from CPS	4	1	↓	7	8	↑
# of Lead Referrals	2	0	↓	4	4	→
# of Total Admissions	6	2	↓	11	10	↓

	Aug 2024	Aug 2025		FY 24-25	FY 25-26	
Thrive by 0 - 3						
Referrals	35	44	↑	79	91	↑
One-Time Home Visits	2	2	→	7	2	↓
Enrolled	2	4	↑	4	8	↑
Active	16	20	↑			

	Aug 2024	Aug 2025		FY 24-25	FY 25-26	
Healthy Start**						
Referrals	15	15	→	32	43	↑
Enrolled	8	6	↓	17	13	↓
Active	33	79	↑			

	Aug 2024	Aug 2025		FY 24-25	FY 25-26	
Embracing Fatherhood***						
Referrals ***	n/a	2	↓	n/a	4	↓
Enrolled ***	n/a	2	↓	n/a	2	↓
Active	n/a	13	↓			

***New program as of 1/2025

Tuberculosis Program

Tuberculosis	Aug 2024	Aug 2025		FY 24-25	FY 25-26	
Number of Case Manager Encounters		146	↑		261	↑
Number of Unduplicated Clients Seen by a Provider^		56	↑		129	↑
Number of Clients Seen by TB Clinic Nurse^		402	↑		859	↑
Number of Monthly Electronic Disease Notifications Clinic Clients (Class B)	68	98	↑	141	211	↑
New Active Clients^		3	↑		7	↑
Number of Clients Receiving LTBI Treatment^		334	↑		569	↑
Outreach Activities during the Month - Presentations, Physician Visits, Correctional Visits, etc.	7	6	↓	12	13	↑
Directly Observed Therapy (DOT) Field, clinic and televideo encounters	1,130	1,357	↑	2,302	3,012	↑

^No data available; data reporting started 7/1/2025

