

# 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 – January 2026**

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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. Immunization Program

### A. Immunization Program Activities

1. Updates to childhood vaccination recommendations have been issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP). The Southern Nevada Health District will continue to align with and incorporate these changes while adhering to Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) governing immunization requirements for school-aged children and childcare settings.

Under the accepted recommendations, as updated by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) on January 5, 2026, the CDC will continue to organize the childhood immunization schedule into three distinct categories, all of which require coverage by insurance providers without cost-sharing. These categories include: (1) immunizations recommended for all children; (2) immunizations recommended for children in certain high-risk groups or populations; and (3) immunizations recommended based on shared clinical decision-making.

In addition, changes issued by the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) on January 26, 2026, are incorporated into this framework. The AAP's recommendations are based on a well-established, evidence-based evaluation process that includes review of vaccine safety data, assessment of the epidemiology of vaccine-preventable diseases in the United States, consideration of disease burden and impact, and analysis of the effectiveness of vaccines in preventing disease and related complications.

2. During the reporting period, a total of 1,272 clients were seen across the four public health centers. In total, 2,776 vaccines were administered to individuals in the Southern Nevada community.
3. The four public health centers have successfully maintained the capacity to accommodate same-day appointments. A total of 277 same-day appointments were provided across the centers during this reporting period.

### B. Immunization Outreach Activities

1. Immunization outreach clinics in January 2026 - 7 clinics, 232 vaccines were administered to 98 clients. The clinics were held at CCSD Family Support Center, Torah Academy, CCDC, Mexican Consulate, Help of Southern Nevada, and Boulder City Library.

## II. Community Health Nursing

### A. Maternal Child Health

The Maternal Child Health (MCH) nurse received one referral for elevated blood lead level and no newborn screening referral for the month of January. There are 7 active clients enrolled in the lead program.

### B. Nurse Family Partnership (NFP)

The Southern Nevada Health District Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP) is an evidence-based community health nursing program that provides services to pregnant first-time mothers. Currently there are 125 pregnant and new parents participating in the program. Fifty-seven families are enrolled in the Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) Program, a grant from the Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health. In January, the team completed 139 in-person home visits. Two families completed and graduated the program when their child reached the age of two. Seven new first-time mothers were enrolled and are currently receiving education, support, and resources from their own person nurse during each visit to improve pregnancy outcomes, growth and development of children and economic self-sufficiency of the families.

### C. 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 80 families served in January 2026. In-person program outreach was conducted at various Department of Welfare and Supportive Services (DWSS) locations. A group-based education 3-part series was initiated in partnership with SafeNest to offer parenting education to the families who are residing at SafeNest.

### D. Embracing Fatherhood

Embracing Fatherhood of Southern Nevada (EFSN) continues to support fathers and father figures with expecting fathers and fathers with children ages 0-3 in the community. Home visits include education, community resources, and screenings. Currently there are a total of 12 active families enrolled in the Embracing Fatherhood program. The program received one referral in January. Embracing Fatherhood's CHW received an *Outstanding Service Recognition* in the month of January from a family that is currently receiving EF home visiting services.

### E. Nursing Education

There was 1 nursing CEU course that was offered through SNHD in the month of January.

## 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 235 screening encounters for the month of January.

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 is currently serving 49 active clients and completed 2 educational community events.

C. 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 and HATS (Home Administered Treatment for STI's). There were five new referrals for complex STI services. In collaboration with SNHD Office of Disease Surveillance (ODS) team members, multiple clients were evaluated and successfully treated by the SHOPP HATS team during the month of January.

D. The SHOPP *Rapid PREVENT* program has a total of 22 enrolled clients. CHW's for this initiative work collaboratively with Express Testing to assess and provide linkage to care services and community resources.

- E. 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 43 active clients.

## **V. Street Medicine (SM) – Introduction of New Program**

### **A. Program Launch & Staffing**

The Street and Medicine program continues to deliver essential primary care services directly to unhoused individuals- meeting them where they are, in line with the recognized philosophy of street medicine: going to the people and centering their needs. The APRN and Senior Community Health Nurses conduct primary care visits. The program receives support from a Nurse supervisor. Two CHW's began orientation with the SM team to allow more focus on linkage to a medical home and psychosocial services.

### **B. Community Engagement & Collaboration**

The Street Medicine team in collaboration with Help of Southern Nevada, Shine A Light and the Henderson Homeless Response Team provided primary care to clients at multiple outreach events for the unhoused. In addition, the Street Medicine team provided services in Boulder City.

### **C. Approach & Intent**

This primary care initiative embraces a harm-reduction and trauma-informed care model—focused on building trust through consistent outreach, nonjudgmental engagement, and accountability in meeting patients where they are. Community partnerships will play an instrumental role in both piloting and scaling the program effectively.

### **D. Street Medicine completed 20 primary care visits in January.**

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

TB clinic has seven (7) new adult TB active cases and zero (0) pediatric cases for the month of January 2026.

## **VII. Employee Health Nursing – January 2026**

- A. There were zero (0) SNHD employees who tested positive 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-six (26) Tuberculosis tests were completed.
- C. Employee New Hire and Annual FIT Testing Medical Evaluations continue. Sixteen (16) medical clearances were completed.
- D. Vaccine Clinics
  - 1. January 1 – January 31, 2026
  - 2. Employees Total: 7
    - a) 2 COVID-19 Updated booster.
    - b) 1 Influenza Vaccine
    - c) 2 other vaccines
    - d) 2 Hepatitis B vaccines- Immz Policy
  - 3. Total Vaccines Given: 7

- E. New Hire/Onboarding: Seven (7) new hires were onboarded.
  
- F. Employee Health Nurse Accomplishments:
  - 1. Initiated Bloodborne Pathogen (BBP) Training SOP.
  - 2. Updated TB training module for SNHD workforce members.
  
- G. Policies and procedures continue to be reviewed and updated.

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	732	336	170	34	0		2	35	61		1,370
Immunization Records Issued and Transcription	97	47	21	5	0						170
SHOPP Express Testing (ET)	150		0	1	22	29	2	31			235
TB Treatment & Control	958										958
CHN Home Visits ^	284										284
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,221</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>61</b>		<b>3,017</b>

^ Data reporting began 7/1/2025

Client Encounters by Program						
Program	Jan 2025	Jan 2026		FY 24-25	FY 25-26	
Immunization Clinics and Outreach**	2,531	1,370	↓	21,409	16,522	↓
Immunization Records Issued and Transcription	204	170	↓	2,796	2,187	↓
SHOPP Express Testing	241	235	↓	1,730	1,262	↓
TB Treatment & Control	1,395	958	↓	10,492		↓
CHN Home Visits^		284	↑		1,820	↑
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,371</b>	<b>3,017</b>	<b>↓</b>	<b>36,427</b>	<b>21,791</b>	<b>↓</b>

^ 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 Immunization Outreach	School Based Outreach	Mobile Clinic	TOTAL
Total Immunizations Administered ***	1,571	858	301	46	0		4	64	164		3,008
*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	Jan 2025	Jan 2026		FY 24-25	FY 25-26	
Total Immunizations Administered ***	8,517	3,008	↓	51,986	35,814	↓

## Immunization Clinic and Outreach Programs

	Jan 2025	Jan 2026		FY 24-25	FY 25-26	
<b>Immunizations</b>						
Flu Vaccine Given	1,701	395	↓	7,066	2,458	↓
COVID Vaccine Given	729	57	↓	2,837	591	↓
TB Skin Test *		16	↑		66	↑
Newborn Screening	0	1	↑	0	5	↑
Immunization Record Review and Release Only*		142	↑		2,000	↑
Transcription of Immunization Records Only*		28	↑		187	↑
Same Day Appts *		277	↑		3,930	↑
Referred to Civil Surgeon for Medical Assessment*		1	↑		27	↑
Vaccine Counseled **		51	↑		378	↑

\*Started data collection 07/01/2025

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

	Jan 2025	Jan 2026		FY 24-25	FY 25-26	
<b>Vaccines for Children (VFC)</b>						
Number of VFC Compliance Visits	5	7	↑	39	41	↑
Number of IQIP Visits	9	13	↑	9	16	↑
Number of Follow Up Contacts	69	56	↓	230	232	↑
Number of Annual Provider Training	5	7	↑	44	39	↓
Number of State Requested Visits	8	19	↑	113	89	↓

	Jan 2025	Jan 2026		FY 24-25	FY 25-26	
<b>Perinatal Hepatitis B</b>						
# of Expectant Women	12	14	↑	13	11	↓
# of Infants	68	47	↓	66	52	↓
Total # of Infants Delivered	1	1	→	21	18	↓
New Cases	2	3	↑	25	26	↑
Closed Cases	7	6	↓	48	32	↓

	Jan 2025	Jan 2026		FY 24-25	FY 25-26	
<b>Childcare Program</b>						
Childcare Audits	13	9	↓	44	50	↑
Baseline Immunization Rate	72%	77%	↑	79%	82%	↑
# of Final Audits	13	9	↓	44	50	↑
Final Immunization Rate	90%	97%	↑	93%	96%	↑
# of Records Reviewed	879	873	↓	3870	3811	↓

**Community Health Program**

	Jan 2025	Jan 2026		FY 24-25	FY 25-26	
<b>Nursing Field Services</b>						
MCH Team Home Visit Encounters	17	27	↑	99	105	↑

	Jan 2025	Jan 2026		FY 24-25	FY 25-26	
<b>NFP (Team 1)</b>						
Referrals	26	18	↓	113	94	↓
Enrolled	13	7	↓	51	50	↓
Active	119	125	↑			

	Jan 2025	Jan 2026		FY 24-25	FY 25-26	
<b>NFP (Expansion Team)**</b>						
Referrals	0	0	→	22	0	↓
Enrolled	0	0	→	13	0	↓
Active	27	0	↓			

\*\*Staff recruitment in process 2026\*\*

	Jan 2025	Jan 2026		FY 24-25	FY 25-26	
<b>MCH</b>						
# of Referrals Received	5	2	↓	32	34	↑
# from CPS	5	1	↓	24	23	↓
# of Lead Referrals	0	1	↑	6	7	↑
# of Total Admissions	4	2	↓	28	24	↓

	Jan 2025	Jan 2026		FY 24-25	FY 25-26	
<b>Thrive by 0 - 3</b>						
Referrals	35	22	↓	251	311	↑
One-Time Home Visits	2	4	↑	26	43	↑
Enrolled	3	5	↑	21	18	↓
Active	22	14	↓			

	Jan 2025	Jan 2026		FY 24-25	FY 25-26	
<b>Healthy Start</b>						
Referrals	52	24	↓	140	201	↑
Enrolled	7	4	↓	42	45	↑
Active	46	80	↑			

	Jan 2025	Jan 2026		FY 24-25	FY 25-26	
<b>Embracing Fatherhood</b>						
Referrals	0	1	↑	0	10	↑
Enrolled	0	0	→	0	6	↑
Active	0	12	↑			

<b>Tuberculosis Program</b>						
<b>Tuberculosis</b>	<b>Jan 2025</b>	<b>Jan 2026</b>		<b>FY 24-25</b>	<b>FY 25-26</b>	
<b>Number of Case Manager Encounters^</b>		81	↑		600	↑
<b>Number of Unduplicated Clients Seen by a Provider^</b>		24	↑		370	↑
<b>Number of Clients encounters by TB Clinic Nurse^(duplicated patients)</b>		305	↑		2785	↑
<b>Number of Monthly Electronic Disease Notifications Clinic Clients (Class B)</b>	77	71	↓	485	518	↑
<b>New Active Clients^</b>		7	↑		27	↑
<b>Number of Clients Receiving LTBI Treatment^</b>		271	↑		1918	↑
<b>Outreach Activities during the Month - Presentations, Physician Visits, Correctional Visits, etc.</b>	9	6	↓	53	46	↓
<b>Directly Observed Therapy (DOT) Field, clinic and televideo encounters</b>	1,052	898	↓	8,873	8,817	↓
^ No data available; data reporting started 7/1/2025						

## Sexual Health Outreach and Prevention Program (SHOPP)

	Jan 2025	Jan 2026		FY 24-25	FY 25-26	
<b>SHOPP - Express Testing (Asymptomatic Patients)</b>						
# of Screening encounters	228	235	↑	1,528	1,262	↓
# of Clients Screened	228	233	↑	1,553	1,258	↓
# of Clients with positive STI identified	18	29	↑	138	146	↑
STI Positivity Rate %*		12	↑		12	↑
<b>SHOPP All CHW Linkages</b>						
# of clients referred to Linkage	4	26	↑	125	125	→
# of clients linked to care	4	26	↑	121	125	↑
<b>SHOPP- Congenital Syphilis Case Management Program (CSCMP)</b>						
# of Referrals (pregnant, post-partum, infants)	4	13	↑	55	58	↑
# of Clients enrolled in CM caseload)	2	6	↑	36	34	↓
# of Infants being followed	39	32	↓			
# of Provider/ Community trainings	18	17	↓			
# of Provider/ Community trainings	1	2	↑	20	25	↑
<b>SHOPP -Services for Unhoused Patients with Resources and Engagement in core (SURE)</b>						
# of Outreach events	5	2	↓	35	42	↑
<b>SHOPP- Complex STI Navigation</b>						
# of Clients referred	3	5	↑	30	40	↑
# of Clients navigated	3	2	↓	29	30	↑
# of Home administered treatment of STI (HATS)*	0	22	↑	13	31	↑
<b>*No data available; data reporting started 7-1-2025</b>						
<b>Non- cumulative</b>						

## Street Medicine Program

Street Medicine	Jan 2025	Jan 2026		FY 24-25	FY 25-26	
Number of Clients Engaged^		22	↑		22	↑
Number of Primary Care Initial Visits^		16	↑		16	↑
Number of Primary Care Follow Up Visits^		6	↑		6	↑
Number of Referrals / Linkage to Resources^		4	↑		4	↑

^ No data available; data reporting started 1/1/2026