

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 2026

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 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. **Workplace/Community Vaccination and Screening Program:** The Immunization Clinic implemented the Workplace/Community Vaccination and Screening Program on July 7, 2026. The program provides low-cost occupational and community screening services, including QuantiFERON-TB Gold (QFT) and Tuberculin Skin Testing (TST), to support employers, employees, and community members in meeting tuberculosis screening requirements. Services continued through the Back-To-School Season. TST and QFT testing has now commenced at the Main Public Health Center, with a total of **35 TSTs and 19 QFT tests completed to date**. The Mesquite Public Health Center continues to provide TST services and has seen an increase in demand, with **8 TSTs completed**.
2. During the reporting period, a total of 3,732 clients were seen across the Southern Nevada Health District's four public health centers. In total, 7,903 vaccines were administered to individuals in the Southern Nevada community.
3. The four public health centers (PHC) continue to accommodate same-day appointments to promote timely and accessible care. A total of 1,558 same-day appointments were provided across the PHCs during this reporting period.
4. **COVID-19 vaccine administration continued to trend downward** during the reporting period, consistent with decreased demand following the peak respiratory virus season. The Health District continues to maintain COVID-19 vaccine availability and provide education regarding the benefits of vaccination, particularly for populations at increased risk for severe illness. **Influenza vaccination activities are expected to resume in early September** in preparation for the upcoming influenza season.

B. Immunization Outreach Activities

1. Immunization outreach clinics in August 2026 - 6 clinics, 441 vaccines were administered to 193 clients. The clinics were held at CCSD Family Support Center, CCSD school, Back to School Outreaches at La Oportunidad and Ride the Wave Events as well as a workplace clinic for the North Las Vegas Police Department.

II. Community Health Nursing

A. Maternal Child Health

The Maternal Child Health (MCH) Nurse for Lead and Newborn screen received one (1) referral for elevated blood lead levels and one (1) newborn screen referral in the month of August. There are currently five (5) active clients enrolled in the Lead program.

B. Nurse Family Partnership (NFP)

The Southern Nevada Health District Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP) has 142 active participants. Seventy-three are participating in the Maternal Infant and early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) Program and twenty-four (24) are participating through the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) funding. Both are grants from the Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health. July was about connections, community awareness, and enrolling referred eligible mothers. August is a continuation of last month's efforts to increase the number of families participating in SNHD Nurse Family Partnership program. Twelve (12) more pregnant first time enrolled in August, 78 children were served, and 5 completed the program. Community connections were established with different OB providers, Medicaid Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) and other new community supporters. Staff participated in 2 Community Baby Showers where they provided direct interactions with future participants.

C. Healthy Start Initiative- Enhanced

The Southern Nevada Health District's Healthy Start (HS) 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 85 families served in August 2026. In-person program outreach was conducted at the following places- **Childcare & Early Learning:** Lucky Kids Daycare 3, Children's Learn and Play, Oxford Early Learning Center, and Hill and Dale. **Community & Family Resource Centers:** Community Outreach at Bonanza Rd, East Valley Resource Center, City Mission of Las Vegas, Destiny Community Outreach Center, Volunteers of Vegas, Clark County Social Services, Las Vegas Rescue Mission, Cambridge Community, Winchester Community, Dondero Community, Whitney Community, Helen Meyer Community Center, East Valley Family Services, Share Village Community Pantry, City Impact, Casa de Luz, and Catholic Charities. **Food Distribution:** First Baptist Church of Las Vegas- Food Distribution Center, and Share Village Community Pantry. **WIC & Nutrition Services:** Nevada Health Centers WIC MLK, Public Health Department, WIC – Catholic Charities, and Sunrise Children's Foundation WIC/ Meadows. **Healthcare & Wellness:** FirstMed Health & Wellness Center, Hope Christian Health Center, and Community Outreach Medical Center. **Community & Human Services Organizations:** City of Las Vegas Community Services, United Way of Southern Nevada, and The Center. Program outreach was also conducted at various DWSS locations. Our Community Health Worker (CHW) II continues to create community partnerships to grow our program and our consortium. She partnered with SNHD's Health Equity team in August to host a Healthy Start (Health Equity) workshop, held at Dignity Health.

D. Embracing Fatherhood

Embracing Fatherhood (EF) home visiting program continues to support father's and father figures with children 0-3 years in the greater Las Vegas area. Home visits include education, community resources, and screenings. In the month of August, the program received three (3) referrals. Currently, there are a total of 8 active families enrolled in the Embracing Fatherhood program. In-person program outreach was conducted at CPLC Nevada, Walnut Rec Center, Bob Price Rec Center, One Stop Career Center, and CSN Student Union Charleston. EF also attended three community events; La Oportunidad Expo, Acelero Back to School Fair, and Dad Inc Meet and Greet.

III. Sexual Health Outreach and Prevention Program (SHOPP)

- A. Express Testing (ET) is a program that conducts testing for sexually transmitted infections (STI's) for asymptomatic patients, without requiring a provider exam. ET completed 280 screening encounters for the month of August. Patients who test positive for STI results are guided to appropriate treatment, primarily to SNHD's Health Center or referred according to patient preference.

- 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 41 active clients and provided one community training.
- C. SHOPP houses the **Complex STI Navigation services (C-STIN)** including the **Neurosyphilis Emergent Onsite Navigation (NEON)** program, which provides critical linkage services to patients suspected of neurosyphilis, and **Home Administered Treatment for STI's (HATS)**, which delivers STI treatment in the field for patients who are unable to access clinic-based care. There were 2 clients navigated for neurosyphilis in August.
- D. The SHOPP **Rapid PREVENT** program, part of HRSA demonstration grant whose enrolling period ended on 5/31/26. Although this program has completed the enrollment portion for the HRSA demonstration grant, the whole-person approach continues to be the foundation of the program as the team continues assess for and provide resources and linkages for client identified needs. 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 has 36 active clients.

IV. 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 Nurse conduct primary care visits with the added support of CHWs who focus on engagement and linkage to identified community resources, including housing, insurance, and psychosocial services.
- B. Street Medicine team engaged 158 clients by providing resources including education and items related to heat mitigation. SM completed **44** primary care visits in **August**.
- C. Community Engagement & Collaboration
The Street Medicine team in collaboration with **Help of Southern Nevada, City of Henderson/ Salvation Army, Whitney Library/ Clean the World Showers, Clark County CARE Outreach, Friends Helping Friends at St. Timothy's, and Goodness Gracious Outreach at Sunset Park** provided primary care to clients at multiple outreach events for the unhoused.
- D. Approach & Intent
This primary care initiative embraces a harm-reduction and trauma-informed care model-focused on building trust through consistent outreach, nonjudgemental engagement, and accountability in meeting patients where they are. Community partnerships play an instrumental role in both piloting and scaling the program effectively. This month the Street Medicine Team participated in the 2026 Southern Nevada Substance Misuse and Overdose Prevention Summit.

V. Tuberculosis (TB) Clinic

TB clinic has four (10) new adult TB active cases and zero (0) pediatric cases for the month of August 2026.

VI. Employee Health Nursing – August 2026

- A. Employee New Hire and Annual Tuberculosis (TB) testing continues, and annual catchup TB testing is ongoing. Twenty (20) Tuberculosis tests were completed.
- B. Employee New Hire and Annual FIT Testing Medical Evaluations continue. Eleven (11) medical clearances were completed.
- C. Vaccine Administration
 - 1. Employees Total: 7
 - 2. Total vaccines given: 9
 - a) 1 Hep B employee vaccine
 - b) 8 other vaccines
- D. New Hire/Onboarding: Four (4) new hires were onboarded.
- E. Employee Health Nurse Accomplishments:
 - 1. Ten (10) TB/Immunizations confirmations completed.
 - 2. Hosted Southern Nevada Public Health Lab (SNPHL) onsite vaccine clinic.
 - 3. Assisted immunizations clinic with TB testing during back-to-school.
- F. 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	2,422	872	311	66	61		0	52	141		3,925
Immunization Records Issued and Transcription	685	141	58	12	41						937
QFT/TST Test	54	0	0	0	8						62
SHOPP Express Testing (ET)	164		21	0	22	16	19	38			280
TB Treatment & Control	1,348										1,348
CHN Home Visits ^	309										309
TOTAL	4,982	1,013	390	78	132	16	19	90	141	0	6,861

^ Data reporting began 7/1/2025

Client Encounters by Program						
Program	August 2025	August 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
Immunization Clinics and Outreach**	5,348	3,925	↓	7,771	6,923	↓
Immunization Records Issued and Transcription	1,053	937	↓	1,347	1,581	↑
SHOPP Express Testing	283	276	↓	461	531	↑
TB Treatment & Control	1,384	1,348	↓	3,287	2,714	↓
CHN Home Visits^		309	↑	680	633	↓
TOTAL	8,068	6,795	↓	13,546	12,382	↓

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	5,255	1873	519	125	131		0	427	14		8,344
*Includes Family centers, School clinics, and Immunization Outreach BTS clinics											
**Includes BTS encounters by clinic, outreach, and COVID teams											

Total Client Immunizations Administered by Locations						
Program	August 2025	August 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
Total Immunizations Administered	9,367	8,344	↓	16,993	14,697	↓

Immunization Clinic and Outreach Programs						
Immunizations	August 2025	August 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
Flu Vaccine Given	0	0	→	0	0	→
COVID Vaccine Given	12	9	↓	12	25	↑
TB Skin Test	8	43	↑	14	100	↑
QFT Test *		19	↑		30	↑
Newborn Screening	0	0	→	0	0	→
Immunization Record Review and Release Only*	650	839	↑	1,252	1,459	↑
Transcription of Immunization Records Only*	64	57	↓	95	81	↓
Same Day Appts *	1,796	1,558	↓	2,679	2,358	↓
Referred to Civil Surgeon for Medical Assessment*	2	0	↓	5	0	↓
Vaccine Counseled **	65	82	↑	159	174	↑
*Started data collection 07/01/2026						
**Counseled related to travel or routine vaccinations; no vaccine provided at appointment.						
Vaccines for Children (VFC)	August 2025	August 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
Number of VFC Compliance Visits	2	3	↑	3	3	→
Number of IQIP Visits	0	0	→	0	0	→
Number of Follow Up Contacts	30	24	↓	42	64	↑
Number of Annual Provider Training	2	2	→	3	2	↓
Number of State Requested Visits	7	20	↑	14	53	↑
Perinatal Hepatitis B	August 2025	August 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
# of Newly Identified Pregnant Women^		6	↑		7	↑
# of Infants Delivered - Established		1	↑		3	↑
# of Infants Not Previously Identified		1	↑		1	↑
# of Closed Infant Cases- Goals Met		0	→		5	↑
^Data reporting started 07/01/2026						
Childcare Program	August 2025	August 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
Childcare Audits	1	0	↓	3	4	↑
Baseline Immunization Rate	100%	n/a	↑	91%	89%	↓
# of Final Audits	1	0	↓	3	4	↑
Final Immunization Rate	100%	n/a	↑	96%	100%	↑
# of Records Reviewed	98	0	↓	203	163	↓

Community Health Program

	August 2025	August 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
Nursing Field Services						
MCH Team Home Visit Encounters	14	9	↓	37	19	↓

	August 2025	August 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
NFP (Team 1)						
Referrals	12	11	↓	23	21	↓
Enrolled	11	9	↓	17	15	↓
Active	131	113	↓			

	August 2025	August 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
NFP (Expansion Team)**						
Referrals	0	12	↑	0	21	↑
Enrolled	0	3	↑	0	7	↑
Active	0	20	↑			

Staff recruitment in process 2026

	August 2025	August 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
MCH						
# of Referrals Received	2	2	→	14	2	↓
# from CPS	1	0	↓	8	0	↓
# of Lead Referrals	0	1	↑	4	1	↓
# of Total Admissions	2	0	↓	10	0	↓

	August 2025	August 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
Thrive by 0 - 3						
Referrals	44	47	↑	91	85	↓
One-Time Home Visits	2	8	↑	2	18	↑
Enrolled	4	5	↑	8	7	↓
Active	20	10	↓			

	August 2025	August 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
Healthy Start						
Referrals	15	40	↑	43	70	↑
Enrolled	6	8	↑	13	16	↑
Active	79	84	↑			

	August 2025	August 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
Embracing Fatherhood						
Referrals	2	3	↑	4	5	↑
Enrolled	2	0	↑	2	2	→
Active	13	9	↓			

Tuberculosis Program

Tuberculosis	August 2025	August 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
Number of Case Manager Encounters ^	146	107	↓	261	348	↑
Number of Unduplicated Clients Seen by a Provider ^	56	33	↓	129	69	↓
Number of Clients encounters by TB Clinic Nurse ^ (duplicated patients)	402	289	↓	859	593	↓
Number of Monthly Electronic Disease Notifications Clinic Clients (Class B)	98	76	↓	211	139	↓
New Active Clients ^	3	10	↑	7	14	↑
Number of Clients Receiving LTBI Treatment ^	334	168	↓	569	349	↓
Outreach Activities during the Month - Presentations, Physician Visits, Correctional Visits, etc.	6	7	↑	13	15	↑
Directly Observed Therapy (DOT) Field, clinic and televideo encounters	1,357	1,241	↓	3,012	2,405	↓

Sexual Health Outreach and Prevention Program (SHOPP)

SHOPP - Express Testing (Asymptomatic Patients)	August 2025	August 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
# of Screening encounters	204	297	↑	461	556	↑
# of Clients Screened	204	280	↑	461	535	↑
# of Clients with positive STI identified	17	19	↑	40	42	↑
STI Positivity Rate %*	8%	7%	↓	9%	8%	↓
SHOPP All CHW Resources/ Linkages	August 2025	August 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
# of clients referred to Resources	16	2	↓	48	18	↓
# of clients linked to care	16	2	↓	48	18	↓
SHOPP- Congenital Syphilis Case Management Program (CSCMP)	August 2025	August 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
# of Referrals (pregnant, post-partum, infants)	5	9	↑	15	18	↑
# of Clients enrolled in CM	2	2	→	8	10	↑
# of Active pregnant/ postpartum clients (current caseload)	39	27	↓			
# of Infants being followed	12	14	↑			
# of Provider/ Community trainings	6	1	↓	12	3	↓
SHOPP -Services for Unhoused Patients with Resources and Engagement in core (SURE)	August 2025	August 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
	10	16	↑	16	28	↑
SHOPP- Complex STI Navigation	August 2025	August 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
# of Clients referred	3	2	↓	8	4	↓
# of Clients navigated	3	2	↓	5	4	↓
# of Home administered treatment of STI (HATS)*	1	0	↓	1	2	↑
Non- cumulative						
*completed by CSCMP						

Street Medicine Program

Street Medicine	August 2025	August 2026		FY 24-25	FY 25-26	
Number of Clients Engaged^		158	↑		352	↑
Number of Primary Care Service Initial Visits^		19	↑		35	↑
Number of Primary Care Service Follow Up Visits^		25	↑		39	↑
Number of Referrals / Linkage to Resources^		65	↑		91	↑

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