

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 – September 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 selected occupational and community screening services, including QuantiFERON-TB Gold (QFT), Tuberculin Skin Testing (TST), and vaccinations to support employers, employees, and community members in meeting tuberculosis screening requirements. Services continued through the Back-To-School Season. TST and QFT testing at the Main Public Health Center had a total of 80 TSTs and 29 QFT tests completed to date. The Mesquite Public Health Center continues to provide TST services with seven TSTs completed, showing a slight increase in demand.
2. During the reporting period, a total of 1,592 clients were seen across the Southern Nevada Health District's four public health centers. In total, 2,956 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 303 same-day appointments were provided across the PHCs during this reporting period.
4. COVID-19 vaccine administration remains lower, with 37 COVID-19 vaccines administered during the reporting period. 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 have increased with the start of the 2026–2027 influenza season, with 433 influenza vaccines administered during the reporting period. The Immunization Program continues to promote seasonal vaccination and provide education on the importance of protecting against respiratory illness, particularly as influenza activity increases during the fall and winter months.

B. Immunization Outreach Activities

1. Immunization outreach clinics in September 2026 - four clinics, 156 vaccines were administered to 72 clients. The clinics were held at CCSD Family Support Center, Mexican Consulate, and Harm Reduction.

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 (EBLL) and eight (8) newborn screen referrals. There were two new clients in the lead program, making a total of seven (7) active clients who are enrolled and receiving case management services for EBLL

B. Nurse Family Partnership (NFP)

The Southern Nevada Health District Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP) has 138 active participants. Ninety-one (91) are participating in the Maternal Infant and early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) Program. Twenty-eight (28) are participating through the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) funding. Both grants are from the Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health. The team spent a lot of time this month connecting, sharing, and learning about community programs and available services that can help our clients. They also participated in multiple community events plus a MIECHV site visit and a Legislative meeting.

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 ninety-two (92) families served in September 2026. In-person program outreach was conducted at the following places: Henderson Equality Center, Iglesia Torreón Fuerte Centro Cristiano, Catholic Charities Henderson WIC Office, Society of St. Vincent de Paul Army Henderson Food Pantry, Henderson District Office, East Las Vegas Library, Clark County Library, Sahara West Library, Doolittle Community Center, Pearson Community Center, Children's Learn and Play, Mommy's Angels Childcare & Preschool, Nevada Health Centers -WIC Bonanza, Nevada Health Centers-WIC Cambridge, Nevada Health Centers -WIC MLK, East Valley Family Services, Dolores Huerta Resource Center, East Las Vegas Community Center, Henderson United Presbyterian Church Food Bank, St. Paul's Charismatic Episcopal Church, Giving Life Ministries, HopeLink of Southern Nevada, Clark County Department of Family Services, YMCA, Signs of Hope, Meadows Mall, Care Source Home Health, Southern Nevada Community Health Center, Winchester Cultural Center, Desert Breeze Community Center, Olive Crest, Nevada Department of Human Services, Three Square, Help of Southern Nevada, Second Baptist Church, Mirabelli Community Center, City Impact Center, Pearson Community Center, and Moliza Palooza Community Event. Program outreach was also conducted at various DWSS locations. Our Community Health Worker II (CHW) continues to create community partnerships to grow our program and our consortium. She facilitated workgroup meetings in the month of September to work on deliverables for our Community Consortium Action Plan. The workgroup 1 (Access to Care) continued planning a Community Health Fair that is scheduled to take place at Pearson Community Center in October.

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. Two (2) new families enrolled during the month of September. Currently, there are a total of 10 active families enrolled in Embracing Fatherhood program. The program lead and supervisor had a meeting with SNHD's Barbershop initiative, regarding opportunities for EF to join them during some outreach events. In the month of September, in-person program outreach was conducted at the following locations: Silverado Ranch Community, Dignity Health Women's Center, Paseo Verde Library, Henderson Multigenerational Center, Green Valley Library, The Children's Cabinet (Henderson), and Whitney Ranch Community Center.

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 229 screening encounters for the month of September. 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 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 4 clients navigated for neurosyphilis in August.
- D. 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 47 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. One new CHW joined the team and began orientation and an existing SNHD team CHW has been assigned partial time to support the SM team outreach efforts.
- B. Street Medicine team engaged 125 clients by providing resources including education and items related to heat mitigation. SM completed 37 primary care visits in September.
- 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.

V. Tuberculosis (TB) Clinic

TB clinic has two (2) new adult TB active cases and zero (0) pediatric cases for the month of September 2026.

VI. Employee Health Nursing – September 2026

- A. Employee New Hire and Annual Tuberculosis (TB) testing continues, and annual catchup TB testing is ongoing. Nineteen (19) Tuberculosis tests were completed.

B. Employee New Hire and Annual FIT Testing Medical Evaluations continue. Twenty-one (21) medical clearances were completed.

C. Vaccine Administration

1. Employees Total: 26
2. Total vaccines given: 36
 - a) Flu – 23
 - b) Fluad – 1
 - c) COVID-19 – 10
 - d) Hepatitis B employee vaccine – 1
 - e) Other vaccines - 1

D. New Hire/Onboarding: Seven (7) new hires were onboarded.

E. Employee Health Nurse Accomplishments:

1. Six (6) TB/Immunizations confirmations completed.
2. Hosted Skills Fair
3. Hosted Flu Clinic at Fremont
4. Instructed CPR class

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

VII. PPC Administration

A. Tuberculosis Clinic, and Community Health's Healthy Start Initiative received sub awards for the month of September.

B. The Project/Program Coordinator supported and advanced a range of quality improvement (QI) initiatives, including the ongoing optimization of the electronic health record (EHR/eCW) system to streamline workflows, enhance clinical decision-making and patient safety, improve operational efficiency, and strengthen data quality. Key accomplishments include improved compliance with the timely and appropriate "locking" of patient charts; implementation of new structured data elements in the TB Clinic to inform clinical practice and support meaningful reporting, adoption of signature pad technology to streamline patient registration and consent processes; and improved accuracy of Vaccine Management Team inventory by reconciling data across separate electronic systems with physical inventory counts.

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	979	347	234	32	0		0	12	60		1,664
Immunization Records Issued and Transcription	101	52	17	3	0						173
QFT/TST Test	109	0	0	7	0						116
SHOPP Express Testing (ET)	151		10	1	18	36	13	0			229
TB Treatment & Control	1,188										1,188
CHN Home Visits ^	429										429
TOTAL	2,957	399	261	43	18	36	13	12	60	0	3,799

^ Data reporting began 7/1/2025

Client Encounters by Program						
Program	Sep 2025	Sep 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
Immunization Clinics and Outreach**	1,992	1,664	↓	9,693	8,064	↓
Immunization Records Issued and Transcription	257	173	↓	1,604	1,754	↑
SHOPP Express Testing	205	229	↑	666	760	↑
TB Treatment & Control	1,613	1,188	↓	4,900	3,902	↓
CHN Home Visits^	331	429	↑	682	1,062	↑
TOTAL	4,398	3,254	↓	17,545	15,542	↓

^ 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	1,786	719	400	51	0		0	28	128		3,112

*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	Sep 2025	Sep 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
Total Immunizations Administered	4,435	3,112	↓	21,428	16,729	↓

Immunization Clinic and Outreach Programs

Immunizations	Sep 2025	Sep 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
Flu Vaccine Given	300	433	↑	300	433	↑
COVID Vaccine Given	95	37	↓	107	62	↓
TB Skin Test	9	87	↑	23	187	↑
QFT Test *		29	↑		59	↑
Newborn Screening	2	3	↑	2	3	↑
Immunization Record Review and Release Only*	238	152	↓	1,490	1,652	↑
Transcription of Immunization Records Only*	19	21	↑	114	102	↓
Same Day Appts *	379	303	↓	3,058	2,740	↓
Referred to Civil Surgeon for Medical Assessment*	11	0	↓	16	0	↓
Vaccine Counseled **	70	69	↓	229	243	↑

*Started data collection 07/01/2026

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

Vaccines for Children (VFC)	Sept 2025	Sept 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
Number of VFC Compliance Visits	10	14	↑	13	17	↑
Number of IQIP Visits	0	14	↑	0	14	↑
Number of Follow Up Contacts	62	27	↓	104	91	↓
Number of Annual Provider Training	10	14	↑	13	16	↑
Number of State Requested Visits	20	13	↓	34	66	↑

Perinatal Hepatitis B	Sept 2025	Sept 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
# of Newly Identified Pregnant Women^		1	↑		8	↑
# of Infants Delivered - Established		0	→		3	↑
# of Infants Not Previously Identified		0	→		1	↑
# of Closed Infant Cases- Goals Met		3	↑		8	↑

^Data reporting started 07/01/2026

Childcare Program	Sept 2025	Sept 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
Childcare Audits	16	10	↓	19	14	↓
Baseline Immunization Rate	88%	84%	↓	90%	87%	↓
# of Final Audits	16	10	↓	19	14	↓
Final Immunization Rate	96%	99%	↑	96%	100%	↑
# of Records Reviewed	977	541	↓	1180	704	↓

Community Health Program						
	Sept 2025	Sept 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
Nursing Field Services						
MCH Team Home Visit Encounters	2	8	↑	39	27	↓
	Sept 2025	Sept 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
NFP (Team 1)						
Referrals	21	22	↑	44	43	↓
Enrolled	5	18	↑	22	33	↑
Active	149	138	↓			
	Sept 2025	Sept 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
NFP (Expansion Team)**						
Referrals	0	4	↑	0	21	↑
Enrolled	0	3	↑	0	7	↑
Active	0	28	↑			
Staff recruitment in process 2026						
	Sept 2025	Sept 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
MCH						
# of Referrals Received	0	9	↑	14	11	↓
# from CPS	0	0	→	8	0	↓
# of Lead Referrals	0	1	↑	4	2	↓
# of Total Admissions	0	2	↑	10	2	↓
	Sept 2025	Sept 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
Thrive by 0 - 3						
Referrals	73	52	↓	164	137	↓
One-Time Home Visits	4	9	↑	6	27	↑
Enrolled	2	2	→	10	9	↓
Active	19	10	↓			
	Sept 2025	Sept 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
Healthy Start						
Referrals	45	33	↓	88	103	↑
Enrolled	10	9	↓	23	25	↑
Active	84	92	↑			
	Sept 2025	Sept 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
Embracing Fatherhood						
Referrals	4	2	↓	8	7	↓
Enrolled	2	2	↑	4	4	→
Active	15	10	↓			

Tuberculosis Program

Tuberculosis	Sept 2025	Sept 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
Number of Case Manager Encounters ^	93	112	↑	239	460	↑
Number of Unduplicated Clients Seen by a Provider ^	54	32	↓	183	101	↓
Number of Clients encounters by TB Clinic Nurse ^ (duplicated patients)	457	298	↓	1316	891	↓
Number of Monthly Electronic Disease Notifications Clinic Clients (Class B)	128	35	↓	339	174	↓
New Active Clients ^	1	2	↑	8	16	↑
Number of Clients Receiving LTBI Treatment ^	263	181	↓	832	530	↓
Outreach Activities during the Month - Presentations, Physician Visits, Correctional Visits, etc.	6	2	↓	19	17	↓
Directly Observed Therapy (DOT) Field, clinic and televideo encounters	1,559	746	↓	4,571	3,151	↓

Sexual Health Outreach and Prevention Program (SHOPP)

	Sept 2025	Sept 2026		FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
SHOPP - Express Testing (Asymptomatic Patients)						
# of Screening encounters	205	248	↑	666	804	↑
# of Clients Screened	205	229	↑	666	764	↑
# of Clients with positive STI identified	21	22	↑	61	64	↑
STI Positivity Rate %*	10%	10%	→	9%	8%	↓
SHOPP All CHW Resources/ Linkages						
# of clients referred to Resources	19	7	↓	67	25	↓
# of clients linked to care	19	7	↓	67	25	↓
SHOPP- Congenital Syphilis Case Management Program (CSCMP)						
# of Referrals (pregnant, post-partum, infants)	7	3	↓	22	21	↓
# of Clients enrolled in CM	5	2	↓	13	12	↓
# of Active pregnant/ postpartum clients (current caseload)	40	38	↓			
# of Infants being followed	11	13	↑			
# of Provider/ Community trainings	6	1	↓	18	4	↓
SHOPP -Services for Unhoused Patients with Resources and Engagement in core (SURE)						
# of Outreach events	7	9	↑	23	37	↑
SHOPP- Complex STI Navigation						
# of Clients referred	5	3	↓	22	7	↓
# of Clients navigated	5	4	↓	21	6	↓
# of Home administered treatment of STI (HATS)*	0	0	→	1	2	↑
Non- cumulative						
*completed by CSCMP						

Street Medicine Program

	Sept 2025	Sept 2026		FY 24-25	FY 25-26	
Street Medicine						
Number of Clients Engaged^		122	↑		474	↑
Number of Primary Care Service Initial Visits^		20	↑		55	↑
Number of Primary Care Service Follow Up Visits^		17	↑		56	↑
Number of Referrals / Linkage to Resources^		57	↑		148	↑

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