

PUBLIC HEALTH ACCREDITATION

The Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB) is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving and protecting the health of the public by advancing and ultimately transforming the quality and performance of state, local, tribal, and territorial public health departments.

PHAB's public health department accreditation process seeks to advance quality and performance within public health departments. Ventura County Public Health Department was the first in California to earn national accreditation by meeting performance measure standards of the national Public Health Accreditation Board.



PUBLIC HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

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HEALTH DATA AND STATISTICS

BIRTH AND DEATH REGISTRATION (VITAL RECORDS)

Registration of all births and deaths that occur in Ventura County. Certified copies of birth and death certificates are available to purchase for the current and prior year only. Call the Vital Records Office at (805) 981-5172 for fees. Certified copies for all other years are available through the Recorder's Office. Call (805) 654-2295.

HEALTH MATTERS IN VENTURA COUNTY

Provides surveillance, data and analysis on a wide variety of health indicators for Ventura County, including births, communicable/infectious disease, injury, and chronic disease; publishes the Ventura County Health Status Report. Visit our Health Matters website at <http://www.healthmattersinvc.org/>. To request data assistance, call (805) 981-5101.

PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY

Provides advanced diagnostic testing to control epidemic and emerging-infectious diseases. Provides on-going testing to ensure the safety of Ventura County's water and food supplies. Collaborates with area physicians to coordinate disease investigation efforts with State and National Laboratories. For more information, call (805) 981-5131.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) AGENCY

The regulatory agency for provision of countywide Basic (EMT) and Advanced (Paramedic) Life Support service; provides state certification of EMT's and locally accredits Paramedic personnel; coordinates the countywide trauma system; supervises ambulance transportation contracts and EMT and Paramedic education programs. Call (805) 981-5301.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS OFFICE (EPO)

EPO is responsible for coordinating countywide medical/health disaster preparedness functions through federally-funded grant programs. EPO also provides oversight and coordination of local medical/ health emergency plans and manages the Ventura County Medical Reserve Corps and the Ventura County Health-care Coalition. Call (805) 981-5301.

PREVENTATIVE HEALTH SERVICES

COMMUNITY HEALTH PROMOTION & EQUITY

Provides educational materials, presentations and resources for various health topics. Community partnerships include Partnership for a Healthy Ventura County, and Ventura County-Action on Smoking and Health. For more information about Community Health Promotion & Equity, call (805) 981-6661.

CHRONIC DISEASE PREVENTION/NUTRITION EDUCATION AND OBESITY PREVENTION

Includes communication, outreach, early detection screening, education and referrals to prevent and control chronic diseases as well as the Community Garden Project and Nutrition Education Series call (805) 981-6650.

TOBACCO EDUCATION AND PREVENTION

Resources and referrals for Call it Quits program and Tobacco Education and Prevention services, dial 201-STOP (7867).

IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM AND CALIFORNIA IMMUNIZATION REGISTRY (CAIR)

Provides immunization information and education to the public, physicians, clinics, child-care centers and schools. For more information, call (805) 981-5211. For CAIR, call (805) 981-5118

PUBLIC HEALTH CLINICS

Services include immunizations, travel vaccines, pregnancy tests, family planning education, screening and treatment for sexually transmitted infections. Call our centralized appointment desk at (805) 981-5221 or toll-free at 1-888-285-5012.

North Oxnard Public Health Clinic
2240 E. Gonzales Road, Ste. 140

South Oxnard Public Health Clinic
2500 South "C" Street, Ste. B-1 (Centerpoint Mall)
TB Specialty Clinic, Ste. B-2

INFECTIOUS DISEASE SERVICES

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE

Conducts surveillance for the detection, control and prevention of over 85 mandated reportable diseases, as well as disease outbreaks and emerging diseases in Ventura County. Education and consultation are available to the public and medical community upon request. Call (805) 981-5201.

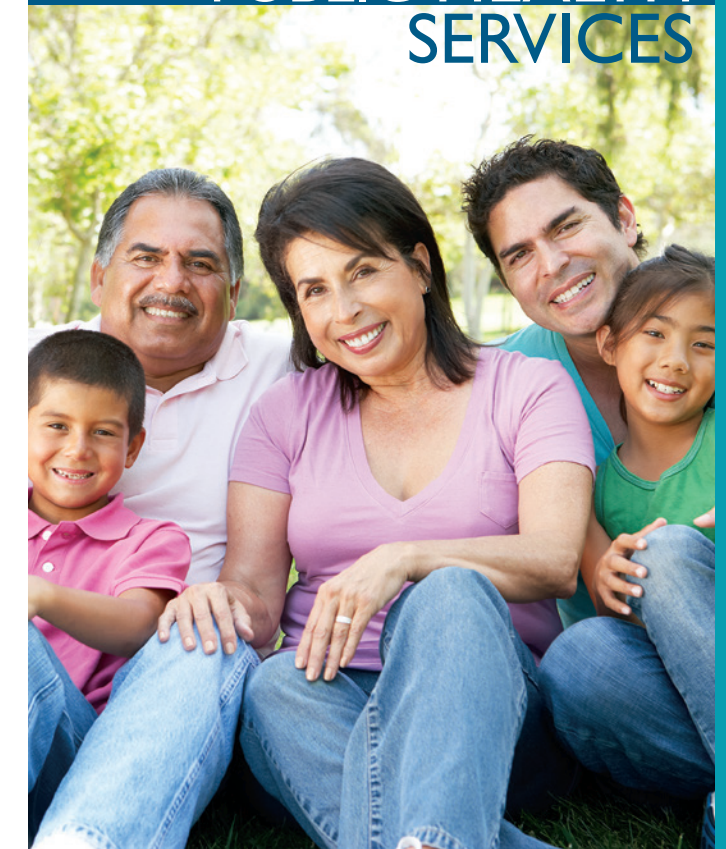
HIV/AIDS

Provides HIV Screening, prevention, case management, treatment assistance, and oversight of the syringe replacement program. Call (805) 652-6267.

Anonymous and confidential HIV testing and counseling. Call (805) 981-5221 for an appointment.

TUBERCULOSIS (TB) SPECIALTY CLINIC

Conducts TB screening, nurse and physician evaluations, medication to prevent and treat tuberculosis, contact investigation, training and consultation to medical providers, and community education. Call (805) 385-9451.



Protecting and Promoting the Health of Individuals, Families and Communities



OUR MISSION

To support environments that protect and promote the health and well-being of everyone in Ventura County.

WHO DO WE SERVE?

Public Health protects and promotes the health of all Ventura County residents. Public Health works with and supports community-based organizations and health care providers throughout Ventura County, particularly communities identified as having greater health disparities and reduced access to care.

STRATEGIC PRIORITY AREAS

- Health Equity
- Healthy and Safe Community Environments
- Preventive Health Care
- Community-driven Partnerships
- Public Health Infrastructure

10 ESSENTIAL SERVICES

- Monitor health status to identify and solve community health problems.
- Diagnose and investigate health problems and health hazards in the community
- Inform, educate and empower people about health issues.
- Mobilize community partnerships to identify and solve health problems.
- Develop policies and plans that support individual and community health efforts.
- Enforce laws and regulations that protect health and ensure safety.
- Link people to needed personal health services and assure the provision of health care services.
- Assure a competent public and personal healthcare workforce.
- Evaluate effectiveness, accessibility and quality of preventative health services.
- Research for new insights and innovative solutions to health problems.

PARENTS AND EXPECTING MOTHERS

BRIGHT BEGINNINGS

Public Health Nurses provide home visits to postpartum women who deliver at Ventura Medical Center & Santa Paula Hospital. Call (805) 981-5115 or 1-800-781-4449.

COMPREHENSIVE PERINATAL SERVICES PROGRAM (CPSP)

Assists with the promotion and coordination of early, continuous and quality comprehensive perinatal services to pregnant and postpartum women and their infants by public and private OB providers. Call (805) 981-5115 or 1-800-781-4449.

KIT FOR NEW PARENTS

Provides a FREE resource kit which includes a DVD, advice guide, the resource book “What to do when your child gets sick,” baby book, and much more to parents and caregivers of children 0-5 years of age. For a FREE kit call (805) 981-5240 or 1-800-781-4449 option 2. ext. 1.

WIC - WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN NUTRITION PROGRAM

Nutrition education, breastfeeding support, food and referrals for financially eligible women, infants and children up to 5 years of age. Call (805) 981-5251 or 1-800-781-4449 ext. 3.

CHILD AND TEEN HEALTH SERVICES

ACE FOR KIDS

Clients are screened for all health care programs available for children in Ventura County. Assistance with application and submission is provided. Call (805) 981-5212 or 1-866-481-7674.

ADOLESCENT FAMILY LIFE PROGRAM (AFLP)

Case management program for expectant and parenting teens. Encourages teens to complete their education and provides needed support throughout and beyond pregnancy. Call (805) 981-5177 or 1-800-781-4449.

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION PROGRAM (CAPP)

Provides comprehensive nursing assessment, education and linkage to community resources for families at-risk for involvement with Children and Family Services (CFS). Services are strength-based and focused the Five Protective Factors listed by the federal Department of Health and Human Services. *“When the Five Protective Factors are present in a family, the likelihood of child abuse and neglect diminish.”* Call (805) 981-5115 or 1-800-781-4449.

CHILDREN’S HEALTH PROMOTION (DEVELOPMENT SCREENING/HELP ME GROW)

Provides developmental screening, assessment, health education and case management services to families with children 0-5 years of age. Call (805) 981-5240 or 1-800-781-4449 option 2, ext. 1.

CHILDHOOD IMMUNIZATION

Provides low-cost immunizations for those who qualify, immunizations include all ACIP recommended vaccines. To schedule an appointment, call (805) 981-5221.

CHILDHOOD INJURY PREVENTION/SAFE KIDS VC (CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY)

Promotes the prevention of unintentional injuries to children. Topics are data driven, based on death and injury rates for Ventura County. Call (805) 981-5225 or 1-800-781-4449.

CHILDREN’S MEDICAL SERVICES

CALIFORNIA CHILDREN’S SERVICES

Nursing case management and authorization for care for children with medically eligible catastrophic illness, disease and injury. Call (805) 981-5281.

CHILD HEALTH, DISABILITY PREVENTION (CHDP) PROGRAM

No cost well-child/preventive care health screenings for low-income and Medi-Cal eligible infants, children and teens. Over 50 private/public providers throughout Ventura County. Call (805) 981-5291 or toll-free 1-800-781-4449 or email CHDPAdministration@ventura.org.

CHILDHOOD LEAD POISONING PREVENTION PROGRAM

Provides lead poisoning prevention, screening, education, case management and referral services. Call (805) 981-5291.

CHILDHOOD ORAL HEALTH EDUCATION

Community outreach, resources and referrals for children’s oral health and fluoride varnish application training for community partners and medical personnel. Call (805) 981-5291.

RX FOR KIDS AND FAMILIES (INCLUDING HEALTH CARE PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE)

Public Health Nurses coordinate preventive health and dental care for foster children. Public Health Nurses work closely with at risk children to promote health and safety for children in the home. Call (805) 981-5115 for more information.

MEDICAL THERAPY PROGRAM

Provides occupational and physical therapy to children who have medically eligible, physically-handicapping conditions. Call (805) 981-5281 for more information.

MOTHER, CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES

HEALTH CARE FOR ALL

Clients are screened for all health care programs available for families in Ventura County. Assistance with application and submission is provided. Call (805) 981-5212 or 1-866-481-7674.

IN-HOME SUPPORT SERVICES/ADULT PROTECTION SERVICES (IHSS/APS)

Public Health Nurses conduct home visits to provide nursing assessments, education and linkages to community resources for IHSS/APS clients. Call (805) 981-5269 for more information.

MATERNAL CHILD ADOLESCENT HEALTH (MCAH)

Assesses needs of women, infants, children and adolescents, and coordinates program and policy development for access to health services for this population. Call (805) 981-5115 or 1-800-781-4449.

MOTHER-DAUGHTER WORKSHOPS

Public Health Nurses provide education to mothers and their daughters about healthy adolescent development at school sites throughout Ventura County. Call (805) 981-5115 or 1-800-781-4449.

PERINATAL SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES

Public health nurses work with providers to coordinate services for pregnant women who are at risk for substance use. Public health nurses provide follow up home visits and support to those identified as meeting program criteria. Call (805) 981-5115 or 1-800-781-4449.

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE HOME VISITS

Home visiting for individuals and families in the community. Nurses assist with access to healthcare, provide education, medical case management, and a variety of other public health nursing services. Call (805) 981-5115 or 1-800-781-4449.

SUDDEN INFANT DEATH SYNDROME (SIDS) PROGRAM / FETAL INFANT MORTALITY REVIEW (FIMR) TEAM

Collaborative effort to address SIDS and FIMR across the county. Follow-up Public Health Nurse home visits are also offered to families who have experienced SIDS or FIMR deaths. Call (805) 981-5115 or 1-800-781-4449.