As a reliable local source for public health information, services, data and policy, Clark County Public Health partners with organizations and people throughout the region to protect and improve community health. Working together, we are a far stronger force for achieving our vision of active, healthy families and people of all ages, abilities and cultures living, playing and working in thriving communities.

SERVICES

A partial list of services includes:

- ACEs and Resiliency 360.397.8000, x7305
- Animal bites and bats 360.397.8162
- Birth and death records 360.397.8092
- Breastfeeding in the workplace 360.397.8000, x7291
- Children with special health care needs 360.397.8440
- Communicable diseases 360.397.8152
- Community Engagement 360.397.8122
- Data and reports 360.397.8489
- Drug testing (tox screen) 360.397.8152
- Emergency preparedness 360.397.8009
- Food and nutrition, physical activity 360.397.8000, x7291
- Food-borne illness 360.397.8000 or report online
- Food establishment inspections and permits 360.397.8000, x7301
- Food worker testing and permitting 360.397.8428
- Garbage, recycling & yard debris collection/disposal 360.397.2121, x4352
- Green Neighbors, Green Business, Green Schools 360.397.2121, x4352
- Hazardous Waste Disposal 360.397.2121, x4352
- Health Assessment and Evaluation 360.397.8489
- HIV/AIDS (testing) 360.397.8000
- Immunization information 360.397.8403
- Leichner Landfill 360.397.2121, x4352
- Master Composter Recycler Program 360.397.8122, x4352
- Mosquito Control (information, service request line) 360.397.8430
- Natural gardening 360.397.2121, x4352
- Nurse Family Partnership 360.397.8440
- Pools and beaches 360.397.8428
- Schools ( Mold/air quality) 360.397.8428
- Septic system operation, permits, maintenance 360.397.8428
- Sexually transmitted diseases (reporting, information) 360.397.8002
- Syringe Exchange 360.750.8610, 360.397.8000, x7378
- Tobacco prevention 360.397.8000, x7378
- Toxic spills (cleanups, emergencies) 360.397.8428
- Tuberculosis 360.397.8152
- Unwanted medication 360.397.2121, x4352
- Water systems, wells customer service 360.397.8428
- For email options, visit www.clark.wa.gov/public-health/public-health-contact-information

GET INVOLVED!

As a community member, your voice is important to us. Here are some ways to get involved:

- Join an advisory council www.clark.wa.gov/public-health/advisory-councils
- Attend or watch Board of Health meetings www.cvtv.org/program/clark-county-board-health
- Volunteer with the Medical Reserve Corps www.clark.wa.gov/public-health/emergency-response-volunteers
- Get your employer on board with worksite wellness www.clark.wa.gov/public-health/worksites-wellness
- Follow Clark County Public Health on Facebook and Twitter to learn about resources, events, and health news

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PREVENT DISEASE & INJURY

Whooping cough (pertussis) can be serious, even deadly, for infants. Clark County Public Health constantly monitors whooping cough in our community. During outbreaks, we track the numbers and characteristics of cases to help us more quickly recognize and treat illnesses. We share data and recommendations—including the need for vaccinations—with schools, healthcare providers and other public health partners. We also interview patients to identify close contacts who may have been exposed. To prevent further transmission, and especially to protect infants, we provide medications to exposed family members and others who come in contact with infants.

Clark County Public Health also:
- Investigates outbreaks of foodborne illness
- Promotes vaccinations in partnership with a community immunization coalition
- Works with schools, day cares and other facilities to prevent and control disease outbreaks

PREPARE FOR & RESPOND TO EMERGENCIES

Few people enjoy thinking about disasters. But floods, fires and earthquakes happen. Having a plan and a stockpile of food, water, medicine and other supplies will help you cope when disaster strikes. Public Health recommends you keep supplies at home, work and in your car—enough for three days. Consider increasing your home supplies to last you, your family and your pets for two weeks.

You can’t control when disaster will strike, but you can control how prepared you’ll be. Get started this weekend! Visit www.clark.wa.gov/public-health/emergency-preparedness-and-response

Clark County Public Health also:
- Works with first responders and others to plan for, respond to and recover from disasters
- Develops plans for responding to emerging disease threats
- Coordinates the Medical Reserve Corps, volunteers who help during emergencies

PROTECT FOOD, WATER & AIR

Lunch with a friend should be a carefree occasion. To keep it fun, Public Health works hard to reduce the risk of foodborne illness. We ensure all restaurants are permitted and routinely inspected. You can find inspection results at www.clark.wa.gov/public-health/restaurant-inspection. We offer training to help food workers promote safe food handling. We help management meet rigorous food safety standards. And we work with restaurants to increase healthy food options. So relax, enjoy and bon appétit!

Clark County Public Health also:
- Promotes recycling to reduce waste in our landfills
- Protects groundwater by ensuring properly functioning septic systems
- Works with schools to ensure healthy environments for students

PROMOTE HEALTHIER ENVIRONMENTS

Some say it takes a village to raise a child. In fact, lots of groups are teaming up to help kids in Clark County be physically active, eat well and be ready to learn. Schools, parents, city and county government, law enforcement, neighborhood and community groups, and businesses are partnering with Public Health to make it safe and easy for children to walk and bike to school as a way to increase daily physical activity. And if kids want to jump-roping to school, we won’t stop them!

Clark County Public Health also:
- Helps prevent chronic diseases by creating environments that support physical activity, healthy eating and tobacco-free living
- Supports breastfeeding policies and healthy development of children
- Works to prevent adverse childhood experiences and promote resilience in kids and adults

The average life expectancy in the US was just 49 years in the early 1900s. Today, it is about 80 years, largely thanks to public health efforts around hygiene, sanitation, immunization and communicable disease control.

In this same tradition, Clark County Public Health protects community health by improving access to healthy foods, clean water, health care and neighborhoods that are safe for walking and biking. We control disease outbreaks through vaccination efforts, early detection and swift response. We help prevent child abuse and injury and work to ensure every child gets a healthy start. To promote a healthier environment, we reduce environmental waste and contamination. And we engage our community, forming public health partnerships with schools, hospitals, businesses, faith groups, volunteers and others.

Together, we’re always working for a safer and healthier community!