



Southern Nevada Health District Fact Sheet

The Southern Nevada Health District serves a population of over 2 million residents, representing 70 percent of Nevada's population, and it is charged with safeguarding the public health of the almost 42 million visitors who travel to Las Vegas each year.

The Health District provides essential public health services and responds to public health events and emergencies in the community. Activities and accomplishments include:

- Responding to reports of communicable diseases, including tuberculosis, measles, and pertussis.
- Providing support to epidemiological investigations through the Southern Nevada Public Health Laboratory.
- Conducting inspections of all the food establishments and pools and spas in Clark County.
- Investigating illegal dumping complaints.
- Administering more than 120,000 vaccines to immunization clients each year.
- Providing testing, treatment, and education to clients in its Sexual Health Clinic, administering a broad range of services to clients in its Family Planning Clinic, and serving clients through a variety of Community Health Nursing Programs.
- Following up on case reports of active TB and evaluating contacts in order to stop the transmission of TB in Southern Nevada.
- Working with private multi-unit housing facilities and community event planners to expand smoke-free units and events.
- Providing updated Brief Tobacco Use Intervention materials to health care providers on the Health District's www.GetHealthyClarkCounty.org website.
- Providing evidence-based physical activity and nutrition curriculum, as well as staff training to local child care centers, leading to many local child care centers adopting policies related to this healthy initiative.
- Approving training for certified emergency medical personnel at all levels; basics, intermediates, paramedics, and pre-hospital nurses.
- Overseeing certification and licensure testing for EMS personnel and permitting all emergency medical service agencies within the county.