



FAIRBANKS PUBLIC HEALTH CENTER

Serving Fairbanks, North Pole, Salcha, Ester, Fort Wainwright, Eielson, Two Rivers



Fairbanks Public Health Center is staffed with public health nurses (PHNs I-IV), Advanced Nurse Practitioner, and support staff, and provides high quality Public Health Nursing Services to 7 communities over 7,444 square miles. Services are provided in clinics, homes, community meetings, shelters, schools, and even outdoors.

In FY 15, Fairbanks Public Health Center provided:

- 6,922 individual visits
- 3,633 immunizations
- 4,051 visits to children, many of whom had no other access to care
- 2,091 visits related to sexually transmitted diseases
- Provided 211 individual visits to address tuberculosis, and assisted exposed citizens in 4 infectious cases to prevent further spread.



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Community level work:

- Participated in 305 community events to promote health and prevent disease.
- Responded to 1,141 referrals from community providers.
- We respond to daily requests for assistance from community agencies on infectious diseases, and access to health care questions.

We respond to community needs:

- Hold regularly scheduled clinics in places that have barriers to accessing care including North Pole Immunization Clinic, Interior Center for Nonviolent Living, Fairbanks Rescue Mission, and Northstar Center.
- Addressing risks associated with IV drug use through Hepatitis/HIV screening.
- Participating in the community assessments and actions to build a healthier community.

We work in partnership with the community to improve health for all.

Specific examples include:

- **Domestic Violence Coalition**
- **Fairbanks Families**
- **Infant Mental Health**
- **Diabetes Center Advisory**
- **Fairbanks Emergency Preparedness Committee**
- **Interior Public Health Partners**
- **Breastfeeding Coalition**
- **Homeless Coalition**
- **Local Emergency Planning Committee**

AS THE LEAD AGENCY IN RESPONDING TO OUTBREAKS, WE ARE TASKED WITH COORDINATING THE RESPONSE AND DISPENSING UP TO 100,000 DOSES OF MEDICATION WITHIN 48 HOURS.

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