

NORTHERN NEVADA

# Public Health

Q3 & Q4 2025

Executive Summary

Board of County Commissioners

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# PURPOSE & VALUE



Accountability for the impact of an active, well-resourced public health district.

## Value Delivered

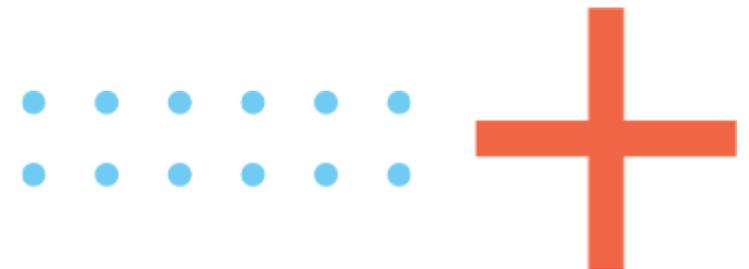
- Protecting health through surveillance, prevention, and rapid response.
- Driving equity and access across all communities.
- Sustaining readiness for emergencies and complex hazards.

Scope: Multi-division expertise, cross-sector partnerships, and operational resilience.

**Over 70+ Years of Regionalized  
Public Health Services**

DIVISION

OFFICE OF THE  
DISTRICT HEALTH  
OFFICER (ODHO)



# ODHO



# District Health Officer

## Strategic Leadership & Governance

- Advanced EMS franchise revisions for accountability & adaptability.
- Managed federal shutdown impacts on WIC and Title X programs.
- EHS third-party review with outcomes: announced visits pilot.
- Successful interventions in Tuberculosis, Measles, & Pertussis

## Performance Metrics

- Strategic partnerships: avg 19–22/month
- Communications (sent): avg 316–405/month
- Community engagements: avg 11–15/month

## Budgetary Achievements

- FY25 Salary Savings \$1,574,733 (Vacancies)
- Increased efficiency through modernizations (e.g., Informatics) ~3 FTE
- Secured \$2M for FY27/28 in State uncategoryal funds for public health priorities.

**Divisions-**  
**ODHO 14 FTE**  
**AHS 10 FTE**

ODHO



# Communications & Public Information

## Expanded Visibility

- Prompt, informative Press Releases; bilingual accessible
- Transparent accessibility to media
- Viral flu shot campaign: 1,500+ comments, 225 new followers

## Digital Accessibility:

PDFs optimized for screen readers—complaint for 2026.

## Impact:

Strengthened trust and transparency across jurisdictions.

**ODHO**



# Accreditation & Quality Improvement

## PHAB Reaccreditation Achieved

- Reinforces compliance with national standards.

## Quality Initiatives:

- Automated AQMD invoicing → 95.7% on-time payments.
- Streamlined special event permitting with the Community Services Department.
- Integration of staff performance metrics to add to the performance measures of the Strategic Plan.

**ODHO**



**CHA & CHIP**

### **2027-2029 Community Health Assessment (CHA) Progress**

- NNPH/Renown: 15 focus groups; 600+ survey responses.
- Public forum held in Q1 2026.

### **2024-2026 Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) Highlights**

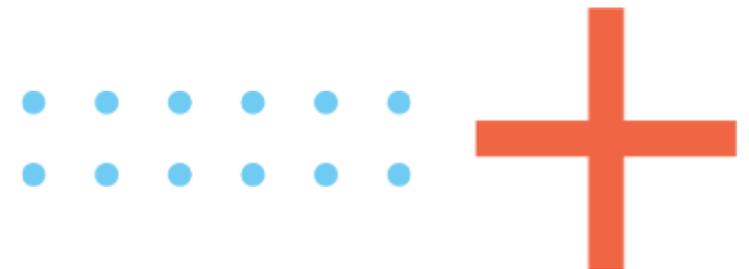
- 5210 Healthy Washoe: School wellness assessments.
- Aca Entre Nos: Mental health sessions for families.
- Family Health Festival: Record reach—2,509 clients served in 2025.
- Over \$200k annually for Behavioral Health access

**CHA  
2026**

1. Mental Health
2. Access to Health Services
3. Economic Stability
4. Health Risk Behaviors & Early Detection
5. Violence Prevention & Crime
6. Environmental Sustainability
7. Substance Abuse
8. Maternal and Child Health

DIVISION

# Air Quality Management



# AQM



## Division- 22.4 FTE

### Regulatory Leadership

- Responded to EPA rollbacks on PM2.5 and GHG standards.

### Monitoring

- AQI remained “Good/Moderate”; wildfire smoke study initiated.

### Permitting

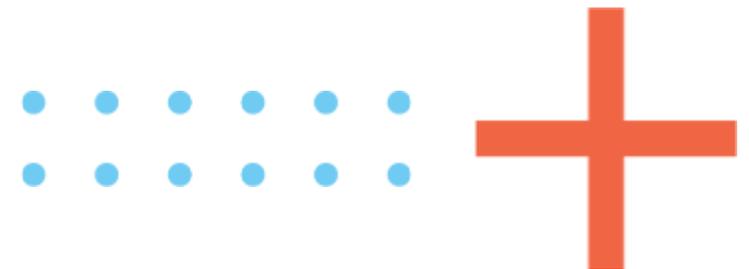
- **295** plans reviewed (99% on-time).
- **644** air permits reissued, **183** dust permits, **254** wood stove certificates.

### Public Health Impact:

- Advocacy for clean transit → \$21.5M grant for hybrid buses.
- Community reinvestment: WCSD electric-powered maintenance

DIVISION

# Community & Clinical Health Services (CCHS)



# CCHS



# Division- 61.35 FTE

## Immunizations

- FY25: **12,144** doses, **5,213** individuals served.

## TB Control

- Active cases ~7/yr; Inactive/LTBI ~30/ yr; sustained adherence.

## Sexual Health (PHD)

- **2,178** clients served; **46% uninsured**.
- Innovations: PrEP, DoxyPEP, and mpox vaccination.

## Maternal & Child Health

- FIMR advanced policy (AB360) for ED-based syphilis testing. (4 cases reviewed/month)
- High-quality, accessible reproductive services. Now including infertility support.
- Lead screening (**45 open cases**), newborn screening, Cribs for Kids,
- CHWs (bilingual) increasing access to care; community support in the absence of a non-profit.

## WIC

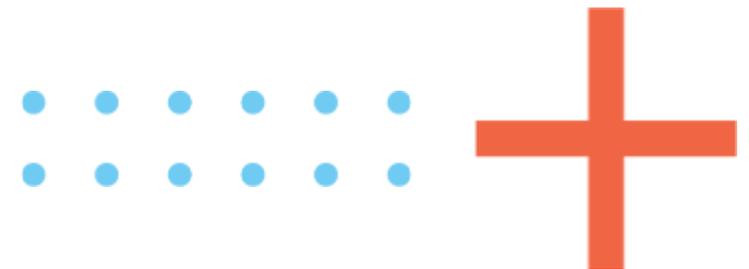
- Participation ↑ 4.5% (3551 cases/month); continuity maintained during shutdown.

## Insurance Coverage

- Medicaid 19%
- Private 34.2%
- Uninsured 46.3%

DIVISION

# Environmental Health Services



# EHS



## Division- 48.39 FTE

### Food Safety & Consumer Protection

- Managed **400+ inspections at Nugget Rib Cook-Off**; 70+ Hot August Nights; 72+ Great Italian Festival.
- AMC courses: **25–31 establishments monthly**.
- Food-borne disease complaints **6-10/month**.
- Active participation in Unlicensed Food Vendors partnerships.
- **Infant Formula Recall; Pilot Composting Program.**

### Environmental Protection

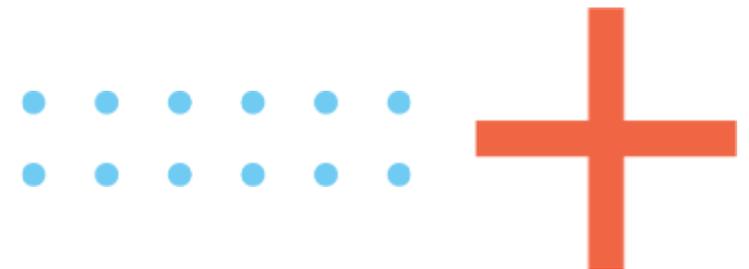
- **PFAS** sampling grant launched- Safe Drinking Water.
- Mosquito surveillance: **600+ pools tested; 650+ treatments**; Decreased Air Services.
- Land development, Septic, Wells: **71 plans, 44 new submittals**
- Sand filter shortage engagement: Public workshops with **100+ attendees**
- Meet inspections of pools, hotels, fuel sites, waste facilities, land, and land/liquid waste trucks.

### Performance:

- **1,517** commercial plan reviews YTD (Nov); **92–98% within 14-day goal**.
- **4,073** food inspections YTD (Nov) (300-470/month).
- **41-106** complaints /month (food, solid waste, liquid waste most common)
- Processed over **2,000** public records requests YTD (Nov)

DIVISION

# Population Health



# PHD



## Division- 45.6 FTE

### Epidemiology

- Community Respiratory Dashboard
- Pertussis (whooping Cough) 2024- 8 cases 2025- 40 cases (2 High Schools 200+ exposures)
- Measles Case
- Outbreaks: 10–14/month (gastrointestinal; HFM; Rash)
- Animal Bites; Foodborne Disease; XDRO (Fungal- Candida)

### Sexual Health

- All cases initiated within 5d closed within 30d(Chlamydia) 60d (Syphilis)
- Chlamydia 138-198; Gonorrhea 45-60; Congenital Syphilis 1-3; HIV 6 (cyberattack)

### Preparedness

- IHCC
- Exercises: Beta Burn, Silver Pivot, CyberReady
- Flu POD: 116 doses administered

### EMS Oversight

- Priority-1 compliance: 91% Zone A, 90–96% Zones B–D

### Chronic Disease Prevention

- Power Up Kids expansion; Stepping On fall-prevention workshops: Tobacco Control/Youth Prevention; Cannabis Education; Traffic Safety; Suicide Prevention
- Rx Take Back: 5,000lbs of medications collected.

### Program Impacts & Collaborations

- Cyberattack impacts; Academic Partnerships; Statewide Engagement; World AIDS Day

### VITAL RECORDS

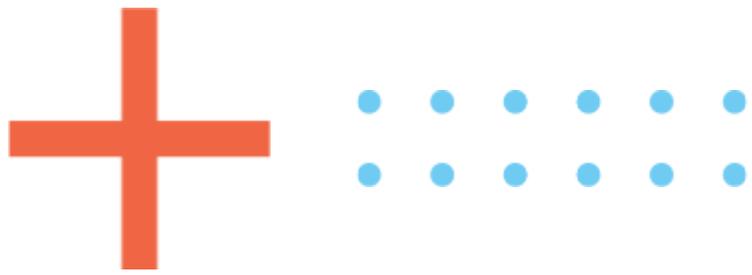
July: 3,599 (Birth 1,637; Death 1,962).

August: 3,504 (Birth 1,498; Death 2,006).

September: 3,432 (Birth 1,255; Death 2,177).

October: 3,436 (Birth 1,250; Death 2,186).

November: 2,983 (Birth 931; Death 2,052).



Maintained essential services despite funding volatility.

Advanced maternal-child health systems.

Strengthened emergency preparedness.

Delivered measurable community engagement and health outcomes.



## Lessons

- Cyber resilience and contingency planning are critical.
- Data-driven information for systemic change.
- Community alignment ensures operational integrity.
- Positively navigating Federal PH dismantling.

## Priorities (Q1–Q2 2026)

- Pilot EHS Announced Visits.
- Open TB Clinic by April 1.
- Finalize EMS franchise revisions.
- Maintain/Sustain Disease Surveillance

## Budget Priorities FY26

- Present Budget to Jurisdictions
- FY27 Insolvency; ILA Sustainable Funding
- Federal Funding: TB 50%, WIC, Sexual Health, EPA
- Insurance Premiums Cliff- Demand for Increased Services



# Questions



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