



Public Health Health Equity

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CBO Collaborative Meeting Summary

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Purpose

To enhance outreach and promotion efforts throughout the County by fostering collaboration with community-based partners and trusted messengers.

Public Health Officer Update

Speaker: Dr. Wang, Public Health Officer, EquityinAction@dph.sbcounty.gov

Cyclosporiasis

- Parasite that causes intestinal illness which spreads through consuming contaminated food or water.
- Common symptoms include watery diarrhea, abdominal cramping, nausea, fatigue, and weight loss.
- The infection spreads through:
 - Contaminated produce: Eating fresh fruits and vegetables that carry the parasite.
 - Contaminated water: Drinking or swimming in water contaminated with Cyclospora.
 - Not contagious, but families can share it through sharing the same contaminated food or water.
- Current outbreak data from May 1 – July 27, 2026:
 - Confirmed cases: 6,707
 - Hospitalizations: 423
 - Deaths: 0
 - States reporting cases: 45
- Facts about the outbreak:
 - Seasonal, more common in the summer months.
 - Likely tied to foods grown in the USA.
 - Immunocompromised individuals, the elderly, and young children are at higher risk.
 - The incubation period before symptoms appear is 7 days.
 - California is experiencing lower than normal cases of cyclosporiasis with 41 provisional cases reported from January through June 2026.

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- Reduce your risk by cooking or peeling your fresh vegetables and fruits, avoid drinking or swimming in unclean water.
- The infection can be treated with antibiotics if your body is unable to fight it on its own.

Immunization Awareness

- The vaccines against Hepatitis B (HBV) and Human Papilloma Viruses (HPV) are the most powerful cancer-prevention tools available today.
- **HBV** is a virus that infects the liver and can cause short-term and long-term illness.
- Complications include liver cancer and liver failure (cirrhosis).
- HBV is spread through contact with infected bodily fluids. Examples include birth, household contact, needle sharing, and sexual contact.
- The younger you acquire the infection, the more likely it's going to develop into cancer, and the more likely it's going to develop into cirrhosis and liver failure.
- The HBV vaccine stops the virus from entering liver cells before it can cause chronic liver disease.
- It eliminates the risk of Hep B-related liver inflammation and scarring. It's proven to reduce hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC) worldwide.
- The vaccine is over 90% effective at preventing infection. The vaccine is recommended to all regardless of risk.
- Only 30% of U.S. adults had been vaccinated as of 2018. Acute hepatitis B rates have increased among adults aged 40-59.
- **HPV** is the most common sexually transmitted infection worldwide. Most sexually active individuals will acquire HPV at some point.
- Persistent infection with certain high-risk types can cause cancer.
- Individuals that should get the HPV vaccine: All adolescents starting at age 11-12, catch-up vaccination up to age 26, and Adults 27-45 may choose vaccination after discussing risk with a healthcare provider.

San Bernardino Countywide Vision: Community Vital Signs

Community Vital Signs, Nicolette Carlos, Nicolette-Ashley.Carlos@dph.sbcounty.gov

Vision Statement: We envision a county where a commitment to optimizing health and wellness is embedded in all decisions by residents, organizations, and government.

- Full San Bernardino Countywide Vision Statement available at: [CAO Vision – San Bernardino CountyWide Vision](#)
- The long-term vision for San Bernardino County is to be a county where all have access to opportunity, prosperity, health and well-being.
- Partners and organizations work together as part of an interconnected system to improve residents' quality of life.
- Community Vital Signs leads efforts related to the Wellness element of the Countywide Vision by uniting cross-sector partners to address community-identified health priorities:
 - **Behavioral Health:** Improve mental health and decrease substance misuse in San Bernardino County.
 - **Injury and Violence Prevention:** Decrease incidences of violence in San Bernardino County.
 - **Chronic Disease:** Decrease morbidity and mortality rates for chronic diseases in San Bernardino County.

- The Community Transformation Plan serves as a road map that aligns partner efforts, reduces duplication, and promotes shared goals, accountability, and collective ownership
- A few cross-cutting themes highlighted from the Community Health Forums are access to care, transportation, youth wellbeing, substance use, economic stress and housing instability, community safety, prevention and early intervention, and service navigation.
- Organizations are invited to participate in and support the Community Vital Signs initiative if they are interested in contributing to system-level change. Please contact Nicolette Carlos, Nicolette-Ashley.Carlos@dph.sbcounty.gov for more information

Guest Presentation

TODEC Legal Center, Gabriel Sanchez, gabriel@todec1.onmicrosoft.com

- TODEC Legal Center is a hub for immigrants and their families living in the Inland Empire and Coachella Valley.
- TODEC's work focuses on providing legal immigration tools, community education programs, and advocacy and civic engagement support to empower our community to become economically, socially, educationally, and civically self-sufficient.
- Expanded enforcement measures: Individuals are frequently detained during ICE check-ins, immigration court hearings, USCIS interviews, community raids and enforcement actions.
 - These practices often encourage racial profiling and contribute to human suffering.
- Targeting of non-criminal immigrants: As of April 4, 2026, 42,722 of 60,311 detainees (70.8%) had no criminal convictions. Over 93% of ICE bookings involved individuals with no violent offences.
- Resources:
 - 24/7 Support line: (951)388-2008
 - Support families in times of need, connecting them with free legal advice, reliable information, and trusted resources.
 - Family support case workers available through referral: [E-Regional Partner Hub Social or Human Services Referral Form](#)
 - Share your agencies available resources, services, and programming: [Community Partner Resource Registration Form](#)
- Stay connected
 - www.TODEC.org
 - info@todec.org

Monthly Learning Topic

Tri-State Services, Jessica Hernandez, jessica.hernandez1@tristateclinics.org

- Tri-State Community Healthcare Center is a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) and nonprofit organization dedicated to providing accessible, affordable, and patient-centered healthcare.
- Eligible patients may qualify for the Sliding Fee Discount Program, because no one is denied care due to an inability to pay.
- Accepts most major insurance plans including Medi-Cal, IEHP, Covered California.

- Primary Care Services: Family medicine, schools & sports physicals, annual physical exams, preventative care, chronic disease management, same day & sick visits, medication reviews, blood work, specimen collection & lab testing, cold & allergy treatment.
- Specialty Care Services: Pediatrics & geriatric health, vaccines, immunizations, ultrasound, optometry, behavioral health, podiatry, chronic disease management, women's health & family planning, dermatology, & dental.
- Mobile Services: Partner with school districts, school-based services, community events & health fairs, home visits, health education, TB screenings, medication delivery, & collaborating with community organizations.
- Seeking to collaborate with mission-aligned community organizations, schools, and local groups.
- Contact: (909)964-3330

CBO Collaborative Business

- We encourage you to fill out our survey, [CBO Collaborative Feedback](#) — All feedback will help us to better support our community. Our goal is to ensure that the collaborative remains relevant, uses time effectively, and continues to build and maintain partnerships across the county
- Topic for September CBO Collaborative Meeting:
 - Birth & Doula Services in Rural & Frontier Communities

**The next meeting will be on
 Tuesday, September 1, 2026
 9:00 AM – 10:30 AM
 Via Microsoft Teams**