



COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO HEALTH AGENCY
PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT
PROVIDER HEALTH ADVISORY

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Notice of Upcoming Public Health Service Closures

We are reaching out to inform healthcare partners that the Public Health Department is preparing for service cuts, beginning at the start of the upcoming fiscal year (**July 1, 2025**). While these expected cuts are not final, they represent the possibilities that we must reasonably prepare for, pending approval of the 2025-26 County operating budget by the Board of Supervisors at their June 9-11 budget hearings.

The services currently expected to close include:

- Reproductive Health clinic in **Paso Robles** (Family Planning, STD diagnosis and treatment, HIV PrEP, Every Woman Counts – Cancer Detection Program)
- Communicable Disease Clinic, including TB and Immunizations, in **Grover Beach**. The Grover Beach location also will no longer be accepting water sample drop-offs for testing.
- Laboratory changes to services, including possible elimination of testing for Varicella-Zoster (chickenpox) serology, blood lead testing, most parasitology testing, among other tests.
- Martha's Place in **San Luis Obispo**
- WIC clinics in **Cambria, Paso Robles, Morro Bay** and **Nipomo**
- Healthy Aging Program - Senior Fall Prevention and Healthy Brain Initiative (Alzheimer's/dementia prevention)
- Outreach/education/support for Covered California and Medi-Cal enrollment
- Maternal Child and Adolescent Health Home Visiting Programs

Additional programs and services are expected to be reduced but will remain open. We recognize that these closures and reductions will likely affect your organization in that patients will be seeking care from others in our relatively small healthcare community. In some cases, we will be offering referrals to other service providers, particularly those who are able to serve community members without private/commercial insurance coverage.

You and your team are vital partners to the Public Health Department, and during these unprecedented times we extend our deepest gratitude for your ongoing partnership and care. Our department has and will continue to do all we can to promote and protect health in our community, and we thank you for standing by us as we navigate these difficult changes.

If you have questions, please reach out via the contact information above. You and your patients can also reach our department by calling 805-781-5500.

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