

Proclaiming Public Health Week 2025

Every day, Los Angeles County residents benefit from the essential services provided by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (Public Health). From preventing and controlling the spread of communicable diseases to educating communities, inspecting restaurants and health facilities, conducting population and case-based surveillance, and many more services, Public Health plays a vital role in ensuring the County is a safe and healthy place to live, work, and recreate. Committed to protecting and promoting the well-being of all residents, Public Health ensures equitable access to essential health services—regardless of race, ethnicity, income, sexual orientation, gender and gender expression, immigration status, or location. Through ongoing programs and partnerships, Public Health continues to safeguard community health, address emerging challenges, and support initiatives that improve the quality of life for all County residents.

Each year, the County celebrates Public Health Week, honoring the Department’s dedication to advance the conditions that support optimal health and well-being for all. The 2025 national Public Health Week theme, “It Starts Here,” emphasizes our interconnectedness and the collective effort needed to improve the health of our communities, reminding us that public health begins with each of us making a difference in our homes and communities. Recognizing the vital role of community-based partners in this mission, ten themed collaborative events will be held from April 7th through April 13th, 2025 in distinct neighborhoods across Los Angeles County. Public Health invites all County residents to attend these events to learn about and discuss important public health issue areas such as women’s health, worker safety, wellness, communicable disease, pedestrian safety, and more.

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Public Health Week will feature six days of action, each dedicated to specific initiatives. On Day 1, attendees will celebrate the establishment of the Office of Worker Health & Safety and learn about its mission to protect Los Angeles County workers. Day 2 will focus on providing vulnerable residents with practical support regarding health access and legal resources while also honoring the value of midwifery care in perinatal health in South Los Angeles. Day 3 will feature a panel discussion on the commodification of women's bodies in the arts and its impact on their daily lives, safety, and access to resources. On Day 4, an interactive community event will educate participants on protection against dengue and mosquitoes, alongside a recognition of South Los Angeles Community Public Health Teams for their contributions to community health. Day 5 will include a Pedestrian Safety Expo with a safety class, community walk, and resources, as well as an arts and healing wellness event and a session on midwifery care in the Antelope Valley. Finally, Day 6 will culminate in the Peer Health Advocate Leadership Conference 2025, focusing on pioneering peer advocacy through leadership, mentorship, and education.

For more details on Public Health Week activities visit www.publichealth.lacounty.gov/phweek/.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE THAT THE BOARD proclaim April 7-13, 2025 as “Public Health Week” in the County of Los Angeles and urge all residents, public officials, County employees, community groups, clubs and organizations to participate in activities and take action to promote healthier communities across Los Angeles County.

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