L.A. County Department of Health Services Medical Hubs

OVERVIEW OF HUB SERVICES PROVIDED

Core Services:

Medical Clearance (MC);
Forensic Medical Evaluation (FM);
CSEC/SART Exam (sexual assault); and
Initial Medical Examination (IME)

Other Services:

Forensic Interviews (FI);
Adolescent Care and Transition (ACT);
Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD);
Primary Care (PC)

Forensic Medical Evaluation

The forensic evaluation is a medical exam for the assessment of suspected child physical abuse, sexual abuse or neglect. It is requested by DCFS or law enforcement in cases where a medical exam may be helpful in assessing whether or not abuse or neglect has occurred and the extent of any injuries. The exam is conducted in a trauma-informed manner by a medical provider with specialized training.

It may include:

Obtaining medical history from the parent/caregiver and child (if verbal) about the child.

A full physical examination and the events related to the alleged abuse or neglect; similar to a wellchild check-up. In some cases, X- rays, other diagnostic imaging, or laboratory tests are conducted; Collection of evidence, including photo documentation, as needed; and, clinical care and initiation of treatment for injuries or effects of neglect or abuse, as needed.

A forensic interview may also be conducted at the request of DCFS or law enforcement by a Child Interview Specialist at the Medical Hub who is trained to speak with children in a way that is not suggestive or leading. The aim is to gather accurate information from the child and minimize the number of times they must be interviewed. This may be done in addition to a medical exam or without a medical exam, depending on case circumstances.



<u>Initial Medical</u> <u>Examination</u>

For children being placed into out-of-home care, a comprehensive medical exam is conducted within 10 days of placement for children ages 0-3 or at high risk, and within 30 days for all other children. This exam is meant to assess a child's health needs and develop a plan for addressing any identified issues. The exam includes:

- Health/developmental history
- Physical exam
- Measurements (height, weight, blood pressure, etc.)
- Nutritional assessment
- Vision & hearing screening
- Dental screening
- Immunizations
- Lab tests
- Health education
- Age-appropriate brief mental health screening
- Fetal Alcohol Spectrum
 Disorder (FASD) screening
- The Hubs may serve as a medical home for DCFSinvolved children requiring high level care coordination

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Medical Hub Locations, Hours, & Services

HARBOR-UCLA MEDICAL CENTER

(All Core Services, FI, & PC)
K.I.D.S. Hub Clinic
1000 W. Carson Street,
Professional Building, Suite 500
Torrance, CA 90509

Phone: (424) 306-7270 Fax: (310) 320-7849 Hours of Operation Mon – Thurs 8:00 am – 6:00 pm Friday - 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

The K.I.D.S. Hub clinic occupies Suite 500 of the Professional Building at the northeast area of the Harbor-UCLA Medical Center Campus.

HIGH DESERT REGIONAL HEALTH CENTER

(All Core Services)

335 E Avenue I Lancaster, CA 93535 Phone: (661) 471-4055 Fax: (661) 524-2380

Hours of Operation Mon – Fri 8:00 am – 8:00 pm

MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr. OUTPATIENT CENTER

(All Core Services, FI, & PC)

Jacqueline Avant Children & Family Center 1741 East 120th St, 1st Floor Los Angeles, CA 90059 Phone: (424) 758-9100 Fax: (310) 668-5394

Hours of Operation Mon – Fri 8:00 am – 11:30 pm

The Hub is located near the cross streets Wilmington Ave. and 120th Street, across the street from Augustus Hawkins Mental Health Building.

Parking is available next to the Jacqueline Avant Children & Family Center

EAST SAN GABRIEL VALLEY

(IMEs and limited forensics)

4024 North Durfee Avenue El Monte, CA. 91732

Phone: (626) 434-7000 Fax: (626) 450-8940

Hours of Operation Mon – Fri 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

OLIVE VIEW-UCLA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

(All Core Services & PC)

Clinic J-3 (M-F 8am-4:30pm) Women & Children's Center (M-F 4:30pm-8:00pm) 14445 Olive View Drive, Sylmar, CA 91342 Phone: (747) 210-4680 Fax: (747) 210-4682

LA GENERAL MEDICL CENTER

(All Core Services, FASD, ACT, LGBTQ+, & PC)

Outpatient Department Building (Building B)

2010 Zonal Avenue, 3rd Floor Los Angeles, CA. 90033

Phone: (323) 409-3800/409-5086

Fax: (323) 226-5134

Hours of Operation: Medical Clinic: Mon – Fri 8:00 am – 5:00 pm Forensic Clinic – 24/7

Other Hub Services

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Medical clearance/screening for children on the way to a new out-ofhome placement;

Follow up exams for children seen at home by a DCFS Public Health Nurse;

Forensic Interviewing;

Follow-up treatment, as needed;

Second medical opinion availability;

CSEC/SART Exams (sexual assault);

ACT, Alexis Project, and FASD Clinics (see below);

And referrals to specialty care, as needed.

Additional Clinics at LA General:

Adolescent Care and Transition
 (ACT), and Alexis Project
 (LGBTQ+) Clinics

Includes LGBTQ+ services and gender-affirming specific care Phone: (323) 409-3233 Fax: (323) 226-7289 Hours of Operation Mon-Fri 8:30 am - 5:00 pm

- FASD Clinic full services for Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Phone: (323) 409-5086
- Extended Care (E-CARE)

(323) 409-5086 Clinic Hours: Mon-Fri 6:00 pm -

Mon-Fri 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm Sat-Sun 10 am – 4:00 pm

- Sick visits
- Medical clearances