

Chicago Department of Public Health 2024 Data Report

Foundational Public Health Services

Communicable
Disease Control



Chronic Disease
& Injury Prevention



Environmental
Public Health



Access & Linkage
to Healthcare



Mothers,
Children & Homes



Mission

CDPH works with communities and partners to create an equitable, safe, resilient and healthy Chicago.

Healthy Chicago is ... Vaccination



- **11,525** doses of updated 2024-25 flu vaccine administered to Chicagoans
- **9,392** doses of updated 2024-25 COVID-19 vaccine administered to Chicagoans
- **243** vaccination events supported city-wide

Healthy Chicago is ... Sexual Health



- **30,000+** HIV tests provided to at-risk individuals
- **27,777** sexual transmitted infection tests given to Chicagoans
- **8,300** people living with HIV received medical and supportive services
- **217** patients provided with antibiotics to prevent getting sexually transmitted infections
- **142** patients provided with medication preventing HIV infection
- **80** summits on sexual health and connections to care held across Chicago with 100+ participants each

Healthy Chicago is ... Violence Prevention

- **5,101** violent incidents mediated through street outreach
- **1,485** people enrolled/served via street outreach case management
- **18** community organizations partnering with CDPH on street outreach in high-violence Chicago neighborhoods

Healthy Chicago is ... Substance Use Prevention



- **23,889** units of Narcan® distributed through vending machines and public access points
- **3,572** Medication Assisted Recovery Now calls for opioid treatment fielded with callers referred for treatment
- **20%** reduction in opioid-related emergency responses from 2023

Healthy Chicago is ... Tobacco Cessation

- **8,200** Chicagoans engaged in tobacco prevention and control
- **1,000** units of Nicotine Replacement Therapy distributed to local Federally Qualified Healthcare Centers
- **173** events held with community health workers promoting tobacco cessation resources on the South and West Sides

Healthy Chicago is ... Community Breast Health



- **45,000** women educated on the importance of breast health and cancer prevention
- **1,800** women provided access to mammograms
- **785** community outreach events informing women about breast cancer screening and treatment

Healthy Chicago is ... Emergency Preparedness



- **1,000** emergency kits made & distributed with assistance of 20 community organizations

Healthy Chicago is ... Infectious Disease & Outbreak Response

- **4,213** infectious disease cases of public health significance reported to CDPH for surveillance and investigation
- **490** wastewater and clinical samples tested at public health laboratories for enhanced infectious disease surveillance
- **214** CDPH responses to disease outbreak initiated within 24 hours

Healthy Chicago is ... Food Protection



- **15,997** total food inspections completed
- **10,869** Chicago food establishments inspected
- **2,600+** 311 food-related complaints resolved

Healthy Chicago is ... Air Quality

- **695** air pollution control tickets issued with 99% success rate
- **255** air permitted facilities inspected
- **97%** of air pollution control permits were reviewed and completed within 14 days

Healthy Chicago is ... Mental Health



- **33,400+** Chicagoans received services through CDPH clinics and funded partners
- **22,397** BIPOC clients served by the Mental Health Equity Initiative

Healthy Chicago is ... Supporting New Families



- **4,072** Family Connects nurse home visits completed
- **68%** of participating families received at least one referral for services

Healthy Chicago is ... Healthy Homes



- **37,921** children tested for elevated blood lead levels
- **1,093** children who tested with elevated blood lead levels received follow-up case management care from CDPH nurses
- **746** homes inspected for lead and other health hazards
- **115** homes received lead remediation or abatement for other health hazards
- **43%** of the children who received follow-up care had blood levels fall below the action level within 6 months

Healthy Chicago is ... Community Health Care Success Stories

Supporting New Families

During a lactation support call, a nurse recognized a new mother needed urgent care. Recovering from a C-section, she was overwhelmed and had neglected her blood pressure medication. With a reading of 160/100, the nurse urged her to take her medication and go to the ER if needed. She was later admitted for postpartum pre-eclampsia, a serious but rare complication. At her Family Connects nurse follow-up visit, she tearfully thanked the nurse, believing the intervention saved her life.

Sexual Health

A 28-year-old new to Chicago visited a CDPH Sexual Health clinic for HIV and infection prevention care. She received a same-day medication refill, follow-up support, and unexpected help accessing gender-affirming care. Over three months, she received screenings, treatments, and medication management before transitioning to a partner clinic for long-term care and hormone therapy. On her last visit, she tearfully thanked the staff, saying she never wanted to leave. CDPH continues to check in, ensuring her ongoing health and support.

Vaccinations



Every Sunday, CDPH and two community partners offer free COVID and flu vaccines at the Swap-O-Rama flea market. This collaboration between Cimpar, Swap-O-Rama and CDPH brings essential care to a community heavily impacted by respiratory illness, offering a convenient, trusted space for those without adequate insurance. Since the program began, vaccines have been given weekly, helping to keep Chicago healthy.

As one of the biggest U.S. cities, Chicago must respond to public health challenges at the scope and scale of a state. CDPH leverages longstanding relationships with community, county, and state health partners to optimize resource and service allocation, break down programmatic silos, and prioritize communities most impacted by adverse health outcomes.

Chicago deserves sustained investment in disease prevention, health promotion and protection so that we can reduce premature mortality and strengthen the health of all Chicagoans.

