

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

# COMMUNITY HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

## OUR MISSION



The Community Health Administration (CHA) of the District of Columbia Department of Health (DC Health) promotes **healthy behaviors** and **healthy environments** to **improve health outcomes** and **reduce disparities** in the leading causes of disease and death in the District.

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### BUREAUS

We use the life course approach to keep DC residents healthy starting before they are born

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### KEY PROGRAM AREAS

We address an array of health conditions and health behaviors in community and clinical spaces

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### GRANTS

We support local organizations to further implement our evidence-based approaches

## SENIOR DEPUTY DIRECTOR

### DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS

GRANTS &  
BUDGET  
MONITORING

PROGRAM  
SUPPORT  
SERVICES

### DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF POLICY & PROGRAMS

ALL 4 BUREAUS

- FAMILY HEALTH
- NUTRITION & PHYSICAL FITNESS
- CANCER & CHRONIC DISEASE PREVENTION
- HEALTH CARE ACCESS

TITLE V  
MATERNAL &  
CHILD HEALTH  
BLOCK GRANT

# CANCER & CHRONIC DISEASE PREVENTION BUREAU

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Reduces the incidences, morbidity and mortality of cancer and chronic disease in DC through multi-level preventive strategies, clinical quality improvement, partnerships, community engagement and wellness promotion.

**Initiatives:** Tobacco Control | Project WISH (Breast & Cervical Cancer Screening) | Colorectal Cancer Patient Navigation | Chronic Disease Self-Management Programs | Diabetes Prevention | Million Hearts Collaborative | Worksite Wellness | Asthma Control | Cancer Registry | Healthy Brain Initiative



# HEALTH CARE ACCESS BUREAU

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Increases access to and utilization of high-quality, patient-centered primary health care services.

**Initiatives:** Immunization | Oral Health | DC Primary Care Office | Health Professional Loan Repayment | Workforce Development | Improved Quality Through Innovative Service Delivery | Medical & Dental Home Engagement | Implicit Bias Training

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## OUR FOCUS

CHA focuses on **nutrition and physical activity** promotion; **cancer and chronic disease prevention and control**; **access to quality health care services**, especially medical and dental homes; and the **health of families across the lifespan**.

## FAMILY HEALTH BUREAU

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Protect, promote and improve the health of moms, dads, babies, kids, and teens through screening and surveillance, education, community-clinical linkages, family strengthening programs, preventive services, and positive youth development.

**Initiatives:** Maternal Health | Newborn Screening | Safe Sleep | Healthy Start | Fatherhood | Maternal, Infant Early Childhood Home Visitation (MIECHV) | Help Me Grow | Teen Pregnancy Prevention | Adolescent-Friendly Health Services | Healthy Relationships & Violence Prevention | School Health Services | School-Based Health Centers



## NUTRITION & PHYSICAL FITNESS BUREAU

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Facilitates policy, systems, and environmental changes that make the healthy choice the easy choice.

**Initiatives:** WIC | Breastfeeding Program Support | SNAP-Ed | Healthy Tots | Joyful Markets | Produce Plus & Produce Rx | Home Delivered Meals | Healthy Corners Stores | Mobile Markets | Commodity Supplemental Food Program | WIC & Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program



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## OUR APPROACH

CHA's approach targets the behavioral, clinical, and social determinants of health through evidence-based programs, policy, and systems change.



## TITLE V

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The **Title V Maternal and Child Health Block Grant** is a Federal-State partnership that supports State efforts in improving the health of women, mothers, infants, and children, including children with special health care needs, and adolescents.



## OPERATIONS

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Oversees the essential support functions for CHA, including fiscal management, grants administration and monitoring, human resources, information technology, facilities management, and customer service.

### priority area

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## PERINATAL HEALTH

Improving perinatal health outcomes starts with every community understanding its health risks and its role. Our main strategies include improving women's health before pregnancy, assuring high-quality health care, strengthening families, and promoting safe and healthy environments.

**Learn more:** [dchealth.dc.gov/perinatal](https://dchealth.dc.gov/perinatal)

