



# DILLINGHAM PUBLIC HEALTH CENTER

Serving Aleknagik, Clarks Point, Dillingham, Ekwok, Koliganek, Manokotak, New Stuyahok, Portage Creek, Togiak, and Twin Hills



Dillingham Public Health Center is staffed by Public Health Nurses (PHN IIIs) and their support staff, and provides high quality Public Health Nursing Services to 10 communities over 8,000 square miles. While all public health nursing centers work in a range of health services, we are each unique, and not typical.



125 Main Street Dillingham AK 99576

**In FY 15, Dillingham Public Health Center provided:**

- 1996 individual visits
- 557 immunizations
- 1173 services to children, many of who lack access to care due to cost of deductible, choice, or care location
- 204 visits related to sexually transmitted diseases including HIV
- 1022 individual student screening for tuberculosis, and assisted in 50 infectious disease investigations including botulism to prevent further spread

**Broad-based work:**

- Participated in 164 community events to promote health, prevent disease; impacting at least 181 partners in the community who share info
- Responded to 150 referrals from community providers
- We respond to daily requests for assistance from community agencies on infectious diseases, and access to health care questions

We work in partnership with the community to improve health for all.

Specific examples include:

- **Community Action Coalitions**
- **CANDU and Community Justice Alliance (CJA)**
- **Head Start Services Advisory**
- **S.A.F.E. Women’s Shelter Board Member**
- **Early Childhood Intervention**
- **Immunization Workgroup**
- **Safe Routes To Schools**
- **MAPP (Mobilizing Action for Planning and Partnerships)**
- **Reproductive Health 4th R curriculum.**

**We respond to community needs:**

- Addressing community concern and risks associated with IV drug use through partner engagement and education
- Promoting, Protecting and Preventing health disparities through 17 separate work groups and projects
- Culturally sensitive and confidential site for high risk population and those looking to succeed and be well
- Working to prevent childhood trauma through partnering with multiple agencies, to bring education to Dillingham at events held in early March
- Support provider and health aide knowledge through education, act as resource to providers, create educational tools for Botulism, Immunizations, and reproductive health

**PUBLIC HEALTH IN DILLINGHAM IS THE RESOURCE FOR ANSWERS ON BOTULISM, TUBERCULOSIS, IMMUNIZATION. WE ARE THE MISSING LINK.**

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