2024 ESCAMBIA COUNTY THEALTH DEPARTMENT

YEARS OF ALABAMA PUBLIC HEALTH

Provides caring, quality services that affect every person in Escambia County—not just those who walk through health department doors.



The Bureau of Clinical Laboratories provides quality laboratory results

for the following programs: maternity, family planning, child health, STD, tuberculosis control, diabetes, HIV/AIDS, newborn screening and environmental services.



Alabama's Children's Health Insurance Program

increases access to care for eligible, uninsured children ages birth through 18, and served 1,616 Escambia County children in the month of October 2024.



Provided 407 immunizations

including childhood and adult vaccines. Provided Alabama Certificates of Immunization required for school entry.



Licensed public health social

workers provide case management/ care coordination for newborn screening disorders, elevated lead levels, home health and other

services.



Conducted 155 site

visits to issue new or repair permits to regulate and permit onsite sewage disposal systems and oversee treatment and disposal of septage and other permitted wastes.



Prevents the occurrence and spread of rabies

within the human and animal population of Escambia County by investigating reports of 102 exposures to animal bites.



Provided confidential testing, treatment,

counseling,
partner referral,
and epidemiologic
investigations for most
sexually transmitted
diseases in 490 support
nurse visits.



Offered tuberculosis

testing, medication, physician services, epidemiologic investigations, hospitalization, and laboratory services for those with known or suspected TB disease and their contacts.



Offers a tobacco Quitline free to Alabama residents.

Free call, free coaching, and free nicotine patches (if medically eligible and in coaching) to help tobacco users quit.
Call 1-800-QUIT NOW or go to
Quitnowalabama.com



Provided breast and cervical cancer screening

to 20 uninsured women age 40-64.



Newborn screening

detects genetic or metabolic conditions, thereby reducing morbidity, premature death, intellectual and other developmental disability through early detection and follow-up.



Regulates the

possession, use and disposal of radioactive materials and equipment, and administers a radon and naturally occurring radioactive materials program.



Responds to storms, floods, disease outbreaks, nuclear power plant

accidents, and other emergencies. Employees provide training, coordination, and response to disasters and partner with local first responders for health, medical, and social services.



Assists rural and medically underserved areas

by working with health care providers and organizations to prepare grants and provide workforce development.



Protects patients/ residents of health care facilities from

abuse and neglect.
Works to ensure facilities comply with state and federal standards.
Requires corrective action when surveys find facilities are noncompliant. Assures that emergency medical services meet or exceed established standards.

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Provided 1,850 home care visits that include skilled nursing, physical therapy, medical social work and personal care services through Medicare-certified

home health agencies.



Issued 3,490 certified copies of vital records on a while-you-wait basis regardless of where in the state the event occurred.



Conducted 350

inspections of restaurants, schools, and other food service and lodging establishments including child care centers to ensure standards in environmental health

are maintained.

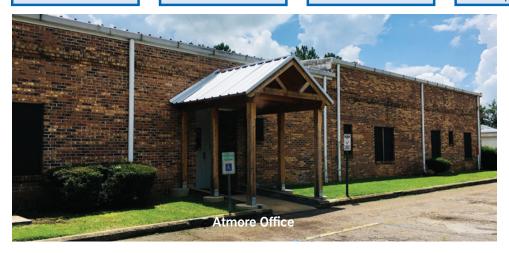


Confidential and professional family planning services were provided to Escambia County residents in 1,339 visits. A wide range of services is available regardless of income to prevent unintended pregnancies through

education and contraceptive services.



WIC provides nutrition assessment, education, and nutritious foods at no cost to a monthly average of 958 limited-income pregnant, breastfeeding, and postpartum women, infants, and children up to age 5 at nutritional risk in Escambia County.



The Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) works closely with your community to protect the public's health through emergency preparedness activities, health care coalitions, training, and response.

The mission of the ADPH is to promote, protect, and improve the health of individuals and communities in Alabama, and has served Escambia County since 1923. Our purpose is to provide caring, high quality, and professional services for the improvement and protection of the public's health through disease prevention and the assurance of public health services to resident and transient populations of the state regardless of social circumstances or the ability to pay.



All services from the ADPH are provided to eligible persons without regard to race, color, creed, national origin, political beliefs, handicaps, or sex. Payment for services varies. No one will be denied services if unable to pay.

The Escambia County Health Department has two locations in Escambia County.

Both locations are open Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

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