

Appendix



*“When health is absent,
Wisdom cannot reveal itself,
Art cannot manifest,
Strength cannot fight,
Wealth becomes useless, and
Intelligence cannot be applied”*

Herophilus, Physician to Alexander the Great, Circa 300 B.C.

Estimated Population, 2003 Louisiana and Vernon Parish

2003 Estimated Population, Louisiana by Race and Sex, Ages 0 - 49

AGE	0-4	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49
White Males	91,026	90,280	97,941	101,917	109,224	94,181	96,477	101,200	113,739	112,469
White Females	86,621	86,043	92,541	96,341	105,806	90,762	94,935	100,017	114,377	111,610
Black Males	67,343	63,587	69,852	70,131	64,302	47,638	43,120	45,087	48,276	46,542
Black Females	65,180	62,040	67,117	68,835	67,744	54,580	49,765	53,779	57,534	54,953
Other Males	5,751	5,337	5,327	5,246	5,709	5,195	4,771	4,604	4,339	4,066
Other Females	5,462	5,161	5,074	4,891	5,431	4,757	4,763	4,413	4,581	4,392

2003 Estimated Population, Louisiana by Race and Sex, Ages 50 - 85+

AGE	50-54	55-59	60-64	65-69	70-74	75-79	80-84	85+	TOTAL
White Males	99,103	83,920	64,926	51,273	43,263	35,269	21,540	12,886	1,420,634
White Females	100,435	86,652	70,385	57,543	54,982	49,793	37,063	32,029	1,467,935
Black Males	39,008	27,814	20,049	15,565	11,783	8,870	5,571	4,258	698,796
Black Females	46,429	33,763	25,865	21,298	17,869	14,920	10,198	10,002	781,871
Other Males	3,441	2,777	1,915	1,372	1,004	645	368	279	62,146
Other Females	3,853	2,987	1,972	1,482	1,210	828	535	491	62,283

2003 Estimated Population, Vernon by Race and Sex, Ages 0 - 49

AGE	0-4	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49
White Males	1,784	1,652	1,519	1,528	2,149	1,770	1,651	1,609	1,237	1,053
White Females	1,728	1,537	1,370	1,143	1,351	1,399	1,470	1,324	1,180	1,095
Black Males	540	425	465	413	576	381	430	385	294	235
Black Females	511	423	370	303	276	242	292	301	238	188
Other Males	242	190	175	140	209	119	108	112	90	66
Other Females	254	181	165	156	143	151	152	117	137	125

2003 Estimated Population, Vernon by Race and Sex, Ages 50 - 85+

AGE	50-54	55-59	60-64	65-69	70-74	75-79	80-84	85+	TOTAL
White Males	946	885	719	618	515	349	187	111	20,282
White Females	951	895	754	654	497	399	298	269	18,314
Black Males	154	110	78	45	38	17	13	8	4,607
Black Females	164	104	63	40	45	29	15	22	3,626
Other Males	64	56	34	26	19	12	4	9	1,675
Other Females	121	104	52	58	39	19	10	10	1,994

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, County Characteristic Population Estimates Data

<http://www.census.gov/popest/datasets.html>

Resources

This section offers an initial list of resources to obtain further information on the topics addressed in this publication. The list has been organized into **national**, **state**, **local**, and **other** sources. The national sources have been sub-grouped by subject consistent with order of chapters presented in the Profiles.

This list should be used as a place to start gathering more information. In the process, you will discover links to many more resources. You and your community will have begun the journey towards self-improvement and the betterment of all humanity, simply by acquiring more knowledge.

National

Community Organization and Action

American Public Health Association

800 I St., NW
Washington, DC 20001-3710
202-777-2742
<http://www.apha.org>

Center for Community Change

Organizing for Neighborhood Development handbook.
1536 U Street, NW
Washington, DC 20009
877-777-4536
<http://www.communitychange.org>

CDC Public Health Practice Program Office

Public health system.
<http://www.phppo.cdc.gov/>

The Common Wealth Fund

One East 75th St.
New York, NY 10021-2692
212-606-3800
<http://www.cmf.org>

Community Policy Consortium

Information on starting a program.
1726 M St., NW, Ste. 801
Washington, DC 20036
800-833-3085
<http://www.communitypolicing.org>

The Community Tool Box

Promotes community health and development by connecting people, ideas and resources.
785-864-0533
<http://ctb.ku.edu>

The Foundation Center

Comprehensive grant information
79 Fifth Ave./16th St.
New York, NY 10003-3076
212-620-4230
<http://fdncenter.org>

The Foundation for the MidSouth

Information on region's challenges.
134 East Amite Street.
Jackson, MS 39201
601-355-8167
http://www.fndmidsouth.org/Main_page.html

Grantsmanship Center

P.O. Box 17220
Los Angeles, CA 90017
213-482-9860
<http://www.tgci.com>

Healthy Cities Online

<http://www.healthycities.org/lookitup.html>

HealthFinder

U.S. DHHS. Web site for consumer health and human services information.
<http://www.healthfinder.gov>

Health Page

Links health information and Healthy People 2010.
P.O. Box 1133
Washington, D.C.20013-113
<http://www.health.gov>

Healthy People 2010: National Health Promotion and Disease Prevention Objectives.

<http://www.healthypeople.gov/>

International Healthy Cities Foundation

555 12th St, 10th floor.
Oakland, CA 94607
510-642-1715
<http://www.healthycities.org/lookitup.html>

National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities

6707 Democracy Blvd.
Suite 800, MSC-5465
Bethesda, Maryland 20892-5465
301-402-1366
TTY: 301 451-9532
<http://ncmhd.nih.gov>

National Civic League

Healthy Communities Programs
1445 Market St., #300
Denver, CO 80202-1728
303-571-4343
<http://www.ncl.org/ncl/>

The National Network of State Polls

<http://www.irss.unc.edu/nnspp/nnsppindex.asp>

The National Urban League

Social service and civil rights nonprofit community organization.
120 Wall St., 8th floor
New York, NY 10005
212-558-5300
info@nul.org
<http://www.nul.org>

The Pew Charitable Trust

Investments to help develop solutions to difficult problems.
2005 Market St., Ste. 1700
Philadelphia, PA 19103-7077
215-575-9050
<http://www.pewtrusts.com>

Public Health Foundation

1300 L Street, N.W., Suite 800
Washington, DC 20005
202.218.4400
<http://www.phf.org/>

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Grantee for solutions to our nation's health and health care problems.
P.O. Box 2316
Princeton, NJ 08543-2316
888-631-9989
<http://www.rwjf.org/>

Rural Information Center Health Service (RICHS)

10301 Baltimore Ave., Rm. 304
Beltsville, MD 20705-2351
800-633-7701
<http://www.nal.usda.gov/ric>

The Search Institute

Independent research and education institute focusing on the well-being of children.
645 First Ave ME, Ste. 125
Minneapolis, MN 55413
800-888-7828
<http://www.search-institute.org>

The Urban Institute

2100 M St., NW
Washington, DC 20034
202-833-7200
<http://www.urban.org>

U.S. Census Bureau

Data on demographics, migration, health, and other important trends.
<http://www.census.gov>

U.S. Conference of Mayors

1620 Eye Street, MW
Washington, D.C. 20006
202-293-7330
<http://www.usmayors.org>

Work Group on Health Promotion and Community Development

785-864-0533
<http://ctb.ku.edu/contact.jsp>

World Health Organization, Europe

Healthy Cities around the world.
WHO Regional Office for Europe

Scherfigsvej 8
2100 Copenhagen Ø, Denmark
45 39 17 13 44
Email: postmaster@euro.who.int
<http://www.who.dk>

Maternal, Child, and Adolescent Health**Agenda for Children:****The Annie E. Casey Foundation**

Publish data about children.
701 St. Paul St.
Baltimore, MD 21202
410-547-6600
<http://www.aecf.org>

American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists

Professionals dedicated to providing the highest quality health care to women.
409 12th St., SW
P.O. Box 96920
Washington, DC 20090-6920
<http://www.acog.com>

American Dental Association Online

The professional association of dentists dedicated to providing quality oral health care for everyone.
211 E. Chicago Ave.
Chicago, IL 60611
312-440-2500
<http://www.ada.org>

American Dietetic Association

Food and nutrition professionals.
120 S. Riverside Plaza, St 2000
Chicago, IL 60606
1-800-877-1600
<http://www.eatright.org>

American Society for Reproductive Medicine

Reproductive medicine and biology.
1209 Montgomery Hwy.
Birmingham, AL 35216-2809
202-978-5000
<http://www.asrm.com>

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

Promotes health and quality of life by preventing and controlling disease, injury, and disability.
1600 Clifton Rd., NE

Atlanta, GA 30333
404-639-3311 CDC Operator
800-311-3534 CDC Public Inquiries
<http://www.cdc.gov>

CDC Office of Women's Health

Information on women's health.
404-639-7230
<http://www.cdc.gov/od/spotlight/nwhw/contact.htm>

The National Immunization Hotline (CDC)

800-232-2522
800-232-0233 español

National Families in Action

<http://www.nationalfamilies.org>

Office of Population Affairs

Resources and policy advice on population, family planning, reproductive health and adolescent pregnancy issues.
1101 Wootton Parkway, Ste. 7000
Rockville, MD 20852
240-453-2800
<http://opa.osophs.dhhs.gov>

Planned Parenthood Federation of America

Information and services related to sexuality, reproduction, methods of contraception, fertility control and parenthood.
800-230-7526
<http://www.plannedparenthood.org>

State Tobacco Information Center

<http://www.stic.neu.edu>

Substance Abuse Treatment and Prevention

<http://www.samhsa.gov>

Leading Causes of Death and Chronic Disease**American Cancer Society (ACS)**

Dedicated to research, patient services, prevention, detection, treatment and advocacy.
901 N. University Ave.
P.O. Box 3822
Little Rock, LA 72203
501-664-3480
<http://www.cancer.org>

The American College of Sports Medicine

Dedicated to sports medicine and exercise science.

P.O. Box 1440
Indianapolis, IN 46206-1440
317-637-9200, ext 138
<http://www.acsm.org>

American Dietetic Association

The society for food and nutrition professionals has a national referral service to help consumers locate a registered dietician and other nutrition resources.

216 West Jackson Blvd.
Chicago, IL 60606
1-800-877-1600
<http://www.eatright.org>

The American Heart Association

Education and information heart disease and stroke.

7272 Greenville Avenue
Dallas, TX 7523105
800-AHA-USA-1 • 800-242-8721
<http://www.amhrt.org>

American Lung Association

Promotes lung health and prevent lung disease by focusing on asthma, tobacco control, and environmental health.

800-LUNGUSA
<http://www.lungusa.org/site/pp.asp?c=dvLUK9O0E&b=22542>

American Stroke Association National Center

7272 Greenville Avenue
Dallas TX 75231
888-4-STROKE • 888-478-7653
<http://www.amhrt.org>

CDC National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion

Works to prevent death and disability from chronic diseases by promoting healthy behaviors.
<http://www.cdc.gov/nccdphp>

Center for the Advancement of Health

2000 Florida Ave., NW, Ste. 210
Washington, DC 20009-1231
202-387-2829
<http://www.cfah.org>

Huntington's Disease Society of America

Links about this disease.
800-345-46-372
<http://hdsa.org>

Mammography

Listing of the facilities providing mammography that are certified by the Food and Drug Administration.
<http://www.fda.gov/cdrh/mammography/index.html>

CDC Tobacco Control.

<http://www.cdc.gov/tobacco>

MEDLine

Collection of published medical information. There are several ways to reach MEDLine – this site is the National Library of Medicine with other links and information.
<http://www.nlm.nih.gov>

The Mended Hearts, Inc.

Help and support to heart disease patients and their families.
7272 Greenville Ave.
Dallas, TX, 75231-4596
800-AHA-USA1 • 214-706-1442
<http://mendedhearts.org>

The National Agricultural Safety Database (NASD)

A database of materials devoted to increased safety, health and injury prevention in agriculture.
<http://www.cdc.gov/nasd>

National Association of State Alcohol and Drug Abuse Directors

Foster and support the development of effective alcohol and other drug abuse prevention and treatment programs throughout every state.
808 17th St. NW, Ste. 410
Washington, DC 20006-1512
202-293-0090 • 202-293-1250
<http://www.nasadad.org>

The National Cancer Institute

The Federal Government's principal agency for cancer research and training.
800-422-6237
TTY 800-332-8615
Email: cancergovstaff@mail.nih.gov
<http://www.nci.nih.gov>

National Center for Health Statistics

301-436-8500
<http://www.cdc.gov/nchswww>

The National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information

Resource for current information and materials concerning substance abuse.
1-800-729-6686 (helpline)
TDD 800-487-4889
<http://www.health.org>

National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute (NHLBI)

Leadership for diseases of the heart, blood vessels, lung, and blood; blood resources; and sleep disorders.
301-592-8573
TTY 240-629-3255
<http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov>

National Institute of Child Health and Human Development

Conducts and supports laboratory, clinical and epidemiological research on the reproductive, neurobiological, developmental, and behavioral processes that determine and maintain the health of children, adults, families and populations.
<http://www.nichd.nih.gov>

National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases

Conducts and supports research on many of the most serious diseases affecting public health.
National Institutes of Health (NIH)
Bethesda, MD 20892
<http://www.niddk.nih.gov>

National Institutes of Health (NIH)

Single access point for consumer health news and resources.
National Institutes of Health (NIH)
9000 Rockville Pike
Bethesda, MD 20892
<http://www.nih.gov>

New Wellness Web site

In-depth information on hundreds of diseases and wellness issues.
<http://www.netwellness.org>

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

Protects the health of America's workers.

U.S. Department of Labor
Public Affairs Office, Rm. 3647
200 Constitution Ave.
Washington, DC 20210
800-321-6742
<http://www.osha.gov>

Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion

National strategies among federal, state and local agencies and major private and voluntary organizations.

240-453-8280
<http://www.odphp.osophs.dhhs.gov>

The Office on Smoking and Health - Tobacco Information and Prevention Source Page

CDC—information on tobacco use and its effects.

<http://www.cdc.gov/tobacco>

The President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports

202-690-9000
<http://www.fitness.gov>

State Tobacco Information Center

Keeps attorneys general and the public abreast of important legal actions against the tobacco industry for violation of state laws.

<http://www.stic.neu.edu>

Infectious Disease**American Social Health Association**

Dedicated to stopping sexually transmitted diseases and their harmful consequence.

P.O. Box 13827
Research Triangle, NC 27709
919-361-8492
<http://www.ashastd.org>

CDC National Center for Infectious Diseases

Works to prevent illness, disability, and death caused by infectious diseases in the U.S. and the world.

<http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/>

Delta Region AIDS Education and Training Center (Delta-ETC)

Training and resources for health professionals on HIV/AIDS medical, emotional and spiritual care.

Publishes an annual directory of HIV/AIDS service providers.
LSU-MC, Delta-ETC
136 S. Roman St.
New Orleans, LA 70112
504-903-0788
<http://www.deltaartc.org>

Hepatitis C Network

Provides answers to your personal questions about hepatitis C.

http://hcv.shn.net/hepatitis_c_1.html

Hepatitis Foundation Int.

Increase awareness of viral hepatitis

504 Blick Dr.
Silver Springs, MC 20904
301-622-4200 • 800-891-0707
<http://www.hepfi.org>

HIV/AIDS: Facts to Consider,

Resource of easy-to-understand facts about the national and global impact of health.

National Conference of State Legislators
17700 East First Place
Denver, CO 80230
303-364-7700
<http://www.ncsl.org/programs/health/aidsfacts.htm>

Mother's Voices: United to End AIDS

Mothers as educators and advocates for improved HIV prevention, expanded research, better medical treatment and ultimately, a cure for AIDS.

305-347-5467
<http://www.mothersvoices.org>

The CDC National Prevention Information Network Home Page

800-458-5321
info@cdcnpin.org
<http://www.cdcnpin.org>

The National Herpes Hotline

919-361-8488

The National STD Hotline (CDC)

800-227-8922

Environmental Health**The American Industrial Hygiene Association**

Source for information on occupational, environmental health and safety issues.

2700 Prosperity Ave., Ste. 250
Fairfax, VA 22031
703-849-8888
<http://www.aiha.org>

CDC National Center for Environmental Health

Promotes health and quality of life affected by interactions between people and their environment.

<http://www.cdc.gov/nceh/>

Consumer Product Safety Commission

Reduces the risk of injury or death from consumer products.

U.S. consumer Product Safety Com
800-638-2772
E-mail: info@cpsc.gov
<http://www.cpsc.gov/>

The Department of Energy

Supports our nation's energy security, national security and environmental quality.

U.S. Department of Energy
800-dial-DOE
<http://www.energy.gov>

Energy Information Administration

Independent statistical and analytical agency within the U.S. Department of Energy.

202-586-8800
<http://www.eia.doe.gov>

The Environmental Protection Agency

Safeguards the natural environment, air, water, and land.

200-272-0167
<http://www.epa.gov>

The Food and Drug Administration

Ensures that the food we eat and cosmetics, medicines and products we use are safe and effective.

888-INFO-FDA (888-463-6332)
<http://www.fda.gov>

The National Environmental Health Association

Works to improve the environment in cities, towns and rural areas.

720 S. Colorado Blvd.
South Tower, Ste. 970
Denver, CO 80246-1925
303-756-9090

<http://www.neha.org>

NIH National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences

Works to reduce the burden of human illness and dysfunction from environmental causes

919-541-3345

TTY 919-541-0731

<http://www.niehs.nih.gov>

U.S. Department of Agriculture

14th & Independence Ave., SW,
Washington, DC 20250
202-720-2791

<http://www.usda.gov>

Disability**Alzheimer's Disease Education & Referral Center**

800-438-4380

<http://www.alzheimers.org>

American Stroke Association National Center

888-4-STROKE • 888-478-7653

<http://www.amhrt.org>

The ARC

Committed to the welfare of all children and adults with mental retardation and their families.

1010 Wayne Avenue, Suite 650
Silver Spring, MD 20910
(301) 565-3842

<http://www.thearc.org>

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)

877-267-2323

TTY 866-226-1819

<http://www.cms.gov>

Coordinating Council on Access and Mobility

Resource to coordination of human service transportation

<http://www.unitedweride.gov>

Email unitedweride@fta.dot.gov

The Disability Information Access Line

504-342-7700

Families Helping Families of Louisiana

460 11th Street N.E
Springhill, Louisiana 71075
318-539-3388

Email fhfcoord@centurytel.net

<http://www.fhfla.org/>

National Council on Aging

Promotes the dignity, self-determination, well-being and continuing contributions of older persons.

202-479-1200

TDD 202-479-6674

E-mail: info@ncoa.org

<http://www.ncoa.org>

National Council on Disability (NCD)

An independent federal agency making recommendations to the President and Congress to enhance the quality of life for all Americans with disabilities and their families.

1331 F Street, NW,
Suite 850
Washington, DC 20004
202-272-2004

TTY: 202-272-2074

NIA The National Institute of Aging

Promotes healthy aging by conducting and supporting biomedical, social and behavioral research and public education.

Bldg. 31, Rm. 5C27
31 Center Dr., MSC 2292
Bethesda, MD 20892-2292

<http://www.nih.gov/nia/>

National Organization on Disabilities

Raises disability awareness through programs and information.

Sixteenth St, N.W., Suite 600,
Washington, D.C. 20006
202 293-5960

TTY: 202 293-5968

Email: ability@nod.org

www.nod.org

National Senior Citizens Law Center

Promotes the independence and well-being of low-income elderly individuals and persons with disabilities.

1101 14th St., NW, Ste. 400
Washington, DC 20005
202-289-6976

<http://www.nslc.org>

United We Ride

Information resource on all federal programs funding human service transportation

<http://www.unitedweride.gov/>

Mental Health**The American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry**

3615 Wisconsin Ave., NW
Washington, DC 20016
202-966-7300

<http://www.aacap.org/>

American Foundation for Suicide Prevention

120 Wall Street, 22nd Floor
New York, New York 10005
212 363-3500 • 888-333-AFSP

Email: inquiry@afsp.org

www.afsp.org

The American Psychological Association

Scientific and professional organization representing psychology.

750 First St., NE
Washington, DC 20002
202-336-5500

<http://www.apa.org>

The Center for Effective Collaboration and Practice

*American Institutes for Research
Improving services to children and youth with emotional and behavioral problems.*

1000 Thomas Jefferson St., NW
Ste. 400

Washington, DC 20007

<http://www.air.org/cecp>

Knowledge Exchange Network

Provides information about mental health via toll-free telephone services, an electronic bulletin board, and publications.

P.O. Box 42490
Washington, DC 20015
800-789-CMHS (2647)
<http://www.mentalhealth.org>

The National Alliance for the Mentally Ill

Dedicated to the eradication of mental illnesses and to the improvement of the quality of life of those whose lives are affected.

200 North Glebe Rd., Ste. 1015
Arlington, VA 22203-3754
800-950-NAMI (6264) helpline
703-524-7600
<http://www.nami.org>

National Mental Health Association (NMHA)

Dedicated to improving the mental health of all individuals.

1021 Prince St.
Alexandria, VA 22314-2971
703-684-7722
<http://www.nmha.org/index.cfm>

Suicide Prevention Resource Center,

877-GET-SPRC (438-7772)
TTY: 617-964-5448
Email: info@sprc.org
www.sprc.org

The Stanley Foundation Bipolar Network

University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, Department of Psychiatry
3811 O'Hara St.
Pittsburgh, PA 15213
412-624-2100
<http://www.wpic.pitt.edu>

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

Works to improve the quality and availability of prevention, treatment, and rehabilitation services.
P.O. Box 42557
Washington, DC 20015
800-789-2647
TDD: 866-889-2647
240-747-5475 (International)
<http://mentalhealth.samhsa.gov>

Access to Appropriate Health Care**The Agency for Health Care Research & Quality**

Provides data to help consumers make informed health care decisions about treatment issues.

Executive Office Center, Ste. 600
2101 E. Jefferson St.
Rockville, MD 20852
301-594-6662
<http://www.ahcpr.gov>

The Bureau of Primary Health Care

4350 East-West Hwy, 7th floor.
Bethesda, MD 20814
310-594-4309
<http://bphc.hrsa.gov>

Coordinating Council on Access and Mobility.

202-366-2473
Email unitedweride@fta.dot.gov

Families, USA Foundation

Dedicated to the achievement of high-quality, affordable health and long-term care for all Americans.
1334 G St., NW
Washington, DC 20005
202-628-3030 • 202-347-2417
www.movingideas.org

Health Policy Tracking Service National Conference of State Legislators

444 N. Capitol St., NW, Ste. 515
Washington DC 20001
202-624-3567
<http://hpts.org>

Healthfinder®

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Web site for consumer health and human services information.
<http://www.healthfinder.gov>

Indian Health Service

Responsible for providing federal health services to American Indians and Alaska Natives.
711 Stewarts Ferry Pike
Nashville, TN 37214-2634
615-736-2400
<http://www.ihs.gov>

Office of Minority Health Resource Center

Provides leadership for activities that addresses the special health needs of racial/ethnic minorities to eliminate disparities, while improving health status.

301-443-2964
<http://www.omhrc.gov>

United We Ride

Information resource on all federal programs funding human service transportation

<http://www.unitedweride.gov/>

Community Safety**At-Risk Resources**

Catalog of materials that focuses on violence prevention.

135 Dupont St.
P.O. Box 760
Plainview, NY 11803-0760
800-999-6884
<http://www.at-risk.com>

CDC National Center for Injury Prevention and Control

Dedicated to reducing injury, disability, death, and costs associated with injuries outside the workplace.

<http://www.cdc.gov/ncipc/ncipchm.htm>

CDC National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

Focuses on the safety and health of people at work.

www.cdc.gov/niosh/homepage.html

Center for the Prevention of School Violence

The Center has a clearinghouse for information about school violence.

20 Enterprise St., Ste. 2
Raleigh, NC 27607-7375
800-299-6054
919-515-9397
<http://www.ncdjjdp.org/cpsv>

The Center for the Study and Prevention of Violence

Committed to understanding and preventing violence, particularly adolescent violence.

University of Colorado at Boulder
Institute of Behavioral Sciences
Campus Box 442
Boulder, CO 80309-0442
303-492-1032
<http://www.Colorado.EDU/cspv>

Community Policing Consortium

Strives to reduce neighborhood crime by combining the efforts and resources of the police, local government and community members.

1726 M St., NW, Ste. 801
Washington, DC 20036
800-833-3085 • 202-833-9295
<http://www.communitypolicing.org>

Blueprints for Violence Prevention

Center for the Study and Prevention of Violence
Institute of Behavioral Science
University of Colorado at Boulder
900 28th Street, Suite 107
439 UCB
Boulder, CO 80309-0439
303 492-1032
Email: Blueprints@colorado.edu
<http://www.colorado.edu/cspv/blueprints/>

The Federal Judiciary

A clearinghouse for information from and about the Judicial Branch of the U.S. Government.
The Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts
1 Columbus Circle, NE
Washington, DC 20544
<http://www.uscourts.gov>

Internet Law Library

Links to legal resources relating to American (federal and state) and foreign laws
<http://www.lawguru.com/ilawlib/>

Join Together OnLine

A national resource for communities fighting substance abuse and gun violence.

441 Stuart St., 7th Floor
Boston, MA 02116
617-437-1500
<http://www.jointogether.org>

Justice Information Center

Source of information on criminal and juvenile justice in the U.S. and the world.

National Criminal Justice Reference Service (NCJRS)
P.O. Box 6000
Rockville, MD 20849-6000
800-851-3420
<http://www.ncjrs.org>

Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD)

Works to stop drunk driving and to support the victims of crime.
P.O. Box 541688
Dallas, TX 75354-1688
<http://www.madd.org>

The National Committee for the Prevention of Child Abuse

Works to prevent child abuse in all its forms.
200 S. Michigan Ave., 17th floor
Chicago, IL 60604-4357
312-663-3520
<http://www.childabuse.org>

National Crime Prevention Council

Works to prevent crime and build safer, stronger communities.
1700 K St., NW, 2nd Floor
Washington, DC 20006-3817
202-466-6272
<http://www.ncpc.org>

The National Domestic Violence Hotline

800-799-SAFE
TDD: 800-787-3224

National School Safety Center

Works with school districts to develop safe school programs.
4165 Thousand Oaks Blvd., Ste. 290
Westlake Village, CA 91362-3815
805-373-9977
<http://nsscl.org>

National SAFE Kids Campaign

Dedicated solely to the prevention of unintentional childhood injury.

1301 Pennsylvania Ave., NW,
#1000
Washington, DC 20004
<http://www.safekids.org/>

National Safety Council (NSC)

Works to educate and influence society to adopt safety, health and environmental policies that prevent suffering and loss from preventable causes.

1121 Spring Lake Dr.
Itasca, IL 60143
<http://www.nsc.org>

NICHSR Related Health Services Research Web Sites - Alphabetical Listing

<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/nichsr/alphahsr.html>

Office of Justice Programs

Develops funds and evaluates a wide range of criminal and juvenile justice programs.
810 7th St., NW
Washington, DC 20531
202-307-0703
<http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov>

Office of Victims of Crime

<http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ovc>

PAVNET Online

The Partnerships Against Violence Network is a "virtual library" of information about violence and youth-at-risk, representing data from seven different Federal agencies.
301-504-5462
<http://www.pavnet.org>

Police Jury Association of Louisiana

707 N. 7th St.
Baton Rouge, LA 70802-5327
504-343-2835
<http://www.lpgov.org>

Prevent Child Abuse Louisiana

State chapter of Prevent Child Abuse America
733 East Airport
Suite 101
Baton Rouge, LA 70806
225-925-9520 • 225-926-1319
Email: info@pcla.org
www.pcal.org

Preventing Crime: What Works, What Doesn't, What's Promising,
www.ncjrs.org/works/wholedoc.htm

Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network (RAINN)

National 24-hour hotline that directly connects victims of rape or abuse to a local rape crisis center in their area for free services and counseling.
635-B Pennsylvania Ave., SE
Washington, DC 20003
202-544-1034 business office
1-800-656-HOPE (4673)
<http://www.rainn.org>

Safe Communities ~ Safe Schools (SCSS) Model

Email: safe@colorado.edu
www.colorado.edu/cspv/safeschools

Substance Abuse Treatment and Prevention

<http://www.samhsa.gov>

U.S. Fire Administration

Guides the Nation's fire prevention and control, fire training and education, and emergency medical services activities.
16825 S. Seton Ave.
Emmitsburg, MD 21727
301-447-1000
<http://www.usfa.fema.gov>

U.S. Department of Justice

Investigates and prosecutes Federal crimes, represents the United States of America in court and manage the Federal prisons.
950 Pennsylvania Ave., NW
Washington, DC 20530-0001
<http://www.usdoj.gov>

Weed and Seed, Executive Office
A multi-agency strategy to "weed" out crime and "seed" in restoration of neighborhoods.

U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Program
810 7th St., NW, 6th Floor
Washington, DC 20531
206-616-1152
<http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ccdo>

Economics**ACCRA**

Promotes excellence in research for community and economic development.
4232 King St.
Alexandria, VA 22302
703-998-0072
<http://www.accra.org>

The Department of Labor

Administrators and endorses workplace rules and regulations.
Office of Public Affairs
525 Griffin St., Rm. 724
Dallas, TX 75202
214-767-4777
<http://www.dol.gov>

Entergy: Team City

Economic development tool for communities.
Economic Development Office
5353 Essen Ln., Ste. 120
Baton Rouge, LA 70809
1-800-542-2668
http://www.entropy-louisiana.com/LA/ed/teamcity_program.asp

National Association of State Information Systems (NASIS)

Forum for improving the business of government through the application of information technology.
167 West Main St., Ste. 600
Lexington, KY 40507-1324
606-231-1971
<http://www.nascio.org/aboutNascio/index.cfm>

National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)

Works with industry to develop and apply technology, measurements, and standards.
100 Bureau Dr.
Gaithersburg, MD 20899-0001
<http://www.nist.gov>

National Technical Information Service

The federal government's central source for the sale of scientific, technical, engineering and related business information produced by or for the U.S. government and complementary material from international sources.
Technology Administration
U.S. Department of Commerce
Springfield, VA 22161
703-605-6000
<http://www.ntis.gov/>

Small Business Administration

Assistance to help Americans start, run and grow their businesses.
One Canal Place
365 Canal St., Ste. 2250
New Orleans, LA
504-589-2705
<http://www.sba.gov>
Disaster updates:
<http://www.sbaonline.sba.gov/gopher/Disnews>

U.S. Department of Commerce

National Technical Information Service
Technology Administration
U.S. Department of Commerce
Springfield, VA 22161
703-605-6000
<http://www.ntis.gov>

Education**American Association of Community Colleges**

<http://www.aacc.nche.edu>

Louisiana Department of Education

P.O. Box 94064
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9064
225-342-4411
<http://www.doe.state.la.us>

National Institute for Literacy
Links to literacy programs on the Web.

800 Connecticut Ave., NW, Ste. 200
Washington, DC 20006
202-632-1500
www.nifl.gov

U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Ave., SW
Washington, DC 20202-0498
800-USA-LEARN
<http://www.ed.gov/>

Recreation and Culture

The American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance
1900 Association Dr.
Reston, VA 20191
703-476-3400
800-213-7193
<http://www.aahperd.org>

American Chamber of Commerce Executives
National association serving individuals involved in the management of chambers of all sizes.
703-998-0072
Email: membership@acce.org
<http://www.acce.org>

U.S. Department of Commerce
National Technical Information Service Technology Administration
U.S. Department of Commerce
Springfield, VA 22161
703-605-6000
703-605-6900 fax
<http://www.ntis.gov/>

STATE RESOURCES

Info - Louisiana
Entry to state government information
<http://www.state.la.us>

The Louisiana State Legislature
<http://www.legis.state.la.us>

Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry
P.O. Box 631
Baton Rouge, LA 70821-0631
225-922-1234
225-922-1253 fax
Email info@ldaf.state.la.us
<http://www.ldaf.state.la.us>

Louisiana Department of Culture, Recreation & Tourism
P.O. Box 94361
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9361
225-342-8115
225-342-3207 fax
<http://www.crt.state.la.us/>

Louisiana Department of Economic Development
P.O. Box 94185
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9185
225-342-3000
<http://www.lded.state.la.us/>

Louisiana Department of Education
626 North 4th St.
P.O. 94064
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4411
225-342-4411
<http://www.doe.state.la.us/lded/index.html>

Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality
7290 Bluebonnet Blvd.
Baton Rouge, LA 70810
24-hr Notification Hotline & Citizen's Complaints Customer Information
888-763-5424
<http://www.deq.state.la.us/>

Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals

1201 Capitol Access Rd.
P.O. Box 629
Baton Rouge, LA 70821-0629
225-342-9500
<http://www.dhh.louisiana.gov>

Bureau of Health Services Financing (Medicaid)
1201 Capitol Access Rd.
P.O. Box 91030
Baton Rouge, LA 70821-9030
225-342-5774
<http://www.medicaid.dhh.louisiana.gov>

Office for Addictive Disorders
1201 Capitol Access Rd.
P.O. Box 2790, Bin 18
Baton Rouge, LA 70821-2790
225-342-6717
<http://www.aod.dhh.louisiana.gov>

Office of Citizens with Developmental Disabilities
1201 Capitol Access Rd.
P.O. Box 3117
Baton Rouge, LA 70821-3117
225-342-0095
<http://www.ocdd.dhh.louisiana.gov>

Office of Mental Health
P.O. Box 4049, Bin #12
Baton Rouge, LA 70821
225-342-2540
<http://www.dhh.louisiana.gov/offices/?ID=62>

Office of Public Health
31201 Capitol Access Road
Baton Rouge, LA 70821
225-342-8093 Baton Rouge
504-568-5050 New Orleans
<http://www.oph.dhh.louisiana.gov>

Louisiana Department of Insurance
950 N. Fifth St.
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9214
800-259-5300
225-342-5900
<http://www.lds.state.la.us/>

Louisiana Department of Labor
 P.O. Box 94094
 1001 North 23rd St.
 Baton Rouge, LA 70802
 225-342-3111
 225-342-3743
<http://www.ldol.state.la.us>

Louisiana Department of Social Services
 755 Third St.
 Baton Rouge, LA 70802 or
 P. O. Box 3776
 Baton Rouge, LA 70821
 225-342-0286
 225-342-8636 fax
<http://www.dss.louisiana.gov>

Louisiana Rehabilitation Services
 8225 Florida Blvd.
 Baton Rouge, LA 70806
 225-925-4131
http://www.dss.louisiana.gov/departments/lrs/Vocational_Rehabilitation.html

The Louisiana Economic Development Council (LAEDC)
 Department of Economic Development
 One Maritime Place, Rm. 312
 101 France St.
 Baton Rouge, LA 70804
 225-342-0215
<http://www.lded.louisiana.gov>

Louisiana Department of Natural Resources
 625 North 4th St.
 P.O. Box 94396
 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9396
 225-342-4503
<http://www.dnr.louisiana.gov>

Louisiana Department of Public Safety
<http://www.dps.louisiana.gov>

Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
 2000 Quail Dr.
 Baton Rouge, LA 70821
 225-765-2800
<http://www.wlf.louisiana.gov>

Office of Youth Development
 P. O. Box 66458
 Audubon Station
 Baton Rouge, La. 70896
 Phone: (225)287-7900
www.oyd.louisiana.gov

Other State Resources

The Advocacy Center for the Elderly and Disabled
 210 O'Keefe Ave., Ste. 700
 New Orleans, LA 70112
 504-522-2337 • 800-960-7705
<http://www.advocacyla.org>

Agenda for Children
 P.O. Box 51837
 New Orleans, LA 70151
 504-586-8509
<http://www.agendaforchildren.org>

Area Health Education Centers in Louisiana (AHEC)
National Newsletter
<http://www.selahec.org/centers.html>

Catholic Charities, New Orleans
 100 Howard Ave., Ste. 1200
 New Orleans, LA 70113
 504-523-3755
<http://www.catholiccharities-no.org>

The Community Foundation of Shreveport-Bossier
Acts as a convener and catalyst to address emerging community needs.
 401 Edwards, Suite 105
 Shreveport, LA 71101
 318.221.0582
<http://www.comfoundsb.org/>

Council for a Better Louisiana (CABL)
 Louisiana Leadership Institute
 P.O. Box 4308
 Baton Rouge, LA
 504-344-2225
<http://www.cabl.org>

The Greater New Orleans Foundation
 2515 Canal St., Ste. 401
 New Orleans, LA 70119
 504-822-4906
<http://www.gnof.org>

Habitat for Humanity
 P. O. Box 15052
 New Orleans, LA 70175-5052
 504-861-2077
<http://www.habitat-nola.org>

The Louisiana Alliance for the Mentally Ill (NAMI)
Dedicated to providing practical and emotional support and education to families of persons with severe brain disorders.
 225-343-6828
<http://la.nami.org>

The Louisiana Campaign for Tobacco-Free Living
 1600 Canal Street, Suite 1028
 New Orleans, LA 70112
 504-301-9800
 Toll-Free 1-866-I-AM-4-TFL
<http://www.tobaccofreeliving.org/>

Louisiana Commissioner of Elections
State and parish voting patterns.
 Department of Elections and Registration
 P.O. Box 14179
 Baton Rouge, LA 70898-4179

Louisiana Consumer Protection and Information Center
 Louisiana Trial Lawyers Association
 P.O. Box 4289
 Baton Rouge, LA 70821
 888-324-5297

Louisiana Foundation DataBook
 On line listing of foundations n Louisiana
<http://www.foundationdatabook.com/Pages/la/lalinks.html>

Louisiana Office of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Facilities
 2025 Canal St., Ste. 300
 New Orleans, LA 70112
 504-568-7943

Louisiana Public Health Institute
 1600 Canal Street, Suite 1028
 New Orleans, LA 70112
 504-301-9800
<http://www.lphi.org>

Police Jury Association of Louisiana

707 N. Seventh St.
Baton Rouge, LA 70802-5327
225-343-2835
<http://www.lpgov.org/>

The Rapides Foundation

Works to improve community health through building local capacity as a resource for opportunities.

1101 4th Street, Suite 300
Alexandria, Louisiana 71301
318-443-3394 • 800-994-3394
info@rapidesfoundation.org
<http://www.rapidesfoundation.org>

Southwest Louisiana AHEC

Provides health, information, and educational services in 13 parishes of Southwest Louisiana.

103 Independence. Blvd.
Lafayette, LA 70506
504-345-1119
<http://www.swlahec.com>

State Library of Louisiana

P.O. Box 131
Baton Rouge, LA 70821-0131
225-342-4913
<http://www.state.lib.la.us>

Regional and Local Organizations

Office of Public Health Region 6

:

Avoyelles, Catahoula, Concordia, Grant, LaSalle, Rapides, Vernon, Winn

**Medical Director
Regional Administrator
John Naponick, MD**

Central Regional Office
5604 "B" Coliseum Blvd.
Alexandria, LA 71306-1199
318-487-5262

Regional Medical Social Worker

804 Jackson St.
Alexandria, LA 71301

318-487-5266

Regional Nutritionist/Specialist

5604 "B" Coliseum Blvd.
Alexandria, LA 71306-1199
318-487-5262

Regional Nurse Manager

5604 "B" Coliseum Blvd.
Alexandria, LA 71306-1199
318-487-5262

Regional Sanitarian Director

5604 "B" Coliseum Blvd.
Alexandria, LA 71306-1199
318-487-5262

Engineer Manager

5604 "B" Coliseum Blvd.
Alexandria, LA 71306-1199
318-487-5186

Children's Special Health Services - Central Region

804 Jackson St.
Alexandria, LA 71301
318-487-5266

Alexandria Regional TB Clinic

1500 Lee St.
Alexandria, LA 71301
318-487-5299

Alexandria STD Clinic

1500 Lee St.
Alexandria, LA 71301
318-487-5270

Parish Health Units

Avoyelles

657 Government St.
Marksville, LA 71351
318-253-4528

800 MacArthur Dr.
Bunkie, LA 71322
(Tues. & Thurs. Only)
318-346-2586

Catahoula

First Floor Courthouse
301 Bushley St., Rm. 111
P.O. Box 240
Harrisonburg, LA 71340
318-744-5261

406 Third St.

Town Hall Building
P.O. Box 58
Jonesville, LA 71340
318-744-5261

Concordia

905 Mickey Gilley Ave.
P.O. Box 826
Ferriday, LA 71334
318-757-8632

Second Flr., Old Courthouse Bldg.

*(Direct mail to Ferriday)
Vidalia, LA 71373
(1st,3rd and 4th Wed. of each month)*
318-336-5519

Grant

513 Eighth St.
P.O. Box 232
Colfax, LA 71417
318-627-3133

LaSalle

305 N. First St.
P.O. Box 17
Jena, LA 71342
318-992-4842

Rapides

1200 Texas Ave.
P.O. Box 11767
Alexandria, LA 71313-1767
318-487-5282

Vernon

406 W. Fertitta Blvd.
P.O. Box 1471
Leesville, LA 71496
337-238-6410

Winn

301 W. Main St.
P.O. Box 111
Winnfield, LA 71483
318-628-2148

School-Based Health Centers**Avoyelles**

Mansura Middle School Based Health Center
1869 St. Jean
Mansura, LA 71350
318-964-2492

Grant

Dry Prong Jr. High School Based Health Center
800 Grove
Dry Prong, LA 71427
318-899-5276

LaSalle

LaSalle School Based Health Center
911 E. Southern Ave.
Jena, LA 71342
318-992-2732

Rapides

St. Frances Cabrini Hospital
3330 Masonic Dr.
Alexandria, LA 71301
318-448-6970

St. Frances Cabrini Hospital
3330 Masonic Dr.
Alexandria, LA 71301
318-442-9111

Northwood School Based Health Center
8830 Highway 1 North
Lena, LA 71447
318-793-5336

Slocum School Based Health Center
901 Crepe Myrtle
Pineville, LA 71360
318-487-9648

Tioga School Based Health Center
1150 Jr. High Road
Tioga, LA
318-640-6942

Other Region 5 Resources**Governor's Health Care Reform Region 6 Consortium**

Joe Rosier, Chair
101 Fourth Street
Suite 300
Alexandria, LA 71301
318-443-3394
800-994-3394

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504-568-6068
<http://www.oph.dhh.louisiana.gov/schoolbased/reports.html>

The Annie E. Casey Foundation.

Kids Count Data Book: State profiles of child well-being,
410-547-6600
<http://www.aecf.org>

The Arc of Greater New Orleans

5700 Loyola Avenue
New Orleans, LA 70115
504 897-0134
info@arcgno.org
<http://www.arcgno.org/>

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Community Health Assessment: A Process for Positive Change. VHA, Inc. P.O. Box 140909 Irving, TX 75014 800-468-6842 • 800-842-7587
<http://www.vha.com>

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The Healthcare Forum
830 Market St.
San Francisco, CA 94105

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Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. *Planned Approach to Community Health: Guide for the Local Coordinator*. DHHS, 1995. Atlanta, GA.

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San Francisco, CA 94105

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The Healthcare Forum
830 Market St.
San Francisco, CA 94105

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National Center for Health Statistics
6525 Belcrest Rd., Rm. 1064
Hyattsville, MD 20782-2003
301-436-8500
<http://www.cdc.gov>

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Chicago, IL 60640
800-397-2282
<http://www.northwestern.edu/ipr/publications/community/buildingblurb.html>

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State and City Ranking Publications
800-457-0742
<http://www.morganquitno.com>

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Web site source of information and statistics about America's health.
Email nchsquery@cdc.gov
<http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/about.htm>

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350 Sansome St.
San Francisco, CA 94104-1342
888-378-2537

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2119 Mapleton Ave.
Boulder, CO 80304
303-444-3366
tnorris@ncl.org

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785-841-3534 • 800-457-0742
<http://www.morganquitno.com>

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<http://www.cdc.gov/nip/publications/pink/>

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Ontario Healthy Communities Coalition Central Office
1202-415 Yonge St.
Toronto, ON M5B2E7 Canada
416-408-4841 • 800-766-3418
<http://www.healthycommunities.on.ca/publications/>

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The National Civic League
1445 Market St., Ste. 300
Denver, CO 80302-1728
303-571-4343
<http://www.ncl.org>
keywords: list of publications

Louisiana DHH/Office of Public Health Program Offices

Adolescent School Health 504-568-5330

- Operates 54 school-based health centers around the state of Louisiana. These centers help to meet the physical and emotional health needs of students and their families in an affordable and accessible manner. The Office of Public Health also assists in the coordination of Comprehensive School Health Education.
- Provides current and comprehensive data, information and resources to facilitate collaborative and community-based adolescent health activities.

Beach Monitoring Program 225-763-3549

- The Louisiana Beach Monitoring Program monitors water quality on a weekly basis from May 1 to October 31.

Buildings and Premises Inspection 225-763-5555

- Through inspections and technical assistance, assures a safe and healthy environment in buildings where the public visits or congregates (schools and child care centers, and in facilities where persons are confined such as hospitals, nursing homes, group homes and prisons).

Center for Health Statistics 504-568-2417

- Provides state health status indicators and analyses for use in health program planning and evaluation, monitoring health problems that may occur in Louisiana, supporting health research data projects in conjunction with universities, private and other public agencies; Officially called the Louisiana State Center for Health Statistics.

Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program (LACLPPP) 504-568-5070

- The Louisiana Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program (LACLPPP) identifies high-risk areas and target efforts and resources to reduce the number of children with elevated blood lead levels in Louisiana.

Children's Special Health Services 504-568-5055

- Plans, coordinates, improves and administers specialized medical care programs for eligible children with severe/chronic medical illnesses or disabilities.

Community Health Promotion & Chronic Disease 504-568-7210

- Promotes adherence to a risk-reducing life-style, thereby decreasing the prevalence of chronic conditions in the population. Includes Asthma, Chronic Disease Epidemiology, Diabetes Control, Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention, Obesity, and Tobacco Control Programs.

Commercial Seafood Sanitation 225-763-5553

- Prevents seafood-borne disease outbreaks and insures that all distributed shellfish and commercially processed seafood are in compliance with the State Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Law, State Sanitary Code and the National Shellfish Sanitation Program.

Commodity Supplemental Food Program 504-568-5065

- Provides a monthly nutritious food package to low income seniors aged sixty and older, pregnant and postpartum women and infants and children up to the age of six.

Community Sewerage Program 225-765-5061

- Monitors and regulates sewerage treatment and sanitary sewage disposal by community systems to protect the public from wastewater-borne disease outbreaks, from sewerage treatment systems, whether privately or publicly owned, serving two or more individuals.

Disease Vector Control Program
225-763-5555

- Prevents and controls the transmission of insect- or rodent-borne diseases such as yellow fever, malaria, dengue fever, encephalitis (all carried by mosquitoes) and plague and typhus (carried by fleas).

Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund
225-765-5075

- Provides assistance, in the form of low-interest loans and technical assistance, to public water systems in Louisiana to assist them in complying with state and federal drinking water regulations ensuring that their customers are provided with safe drinking water thereby protecting the public health.
- Ensures, through assessment and assistance, (Capacity Development Program) that public water systems have the technical, managerial, and financial capacity to properly operate and provide safe drinking water to the public.

EarlySteps
504-599-1072

- EarlySteps is Louisiana's Early Intervention System for children with disabilities and developmental delays ages birth to three and their families.

Emergency Medical Services
225-763-5700

- Provides Emergency Medical Technician training programs that meet the requirements of the National Registry of EMTs and provides the National Registry of EMTs written and practical examinations.

Environmental Epidemiology & Toxicology
504-568-8537

- Identifies and evaluates the effects that toxic chemicals have on the public's health. Makes recommendations to prevent or reduce illnesses that may be caused by exposure to those chemicals and promote a better public understanding of the health effects of chemicals in the environment.

Family Planning
504-568-5330

- Provides health education to women and health care to child-bearing-age women in order to reduce female and infant morbidity and mortality and in order to allow individuals and families to plan family size and spacing of pregnancies.

Food and Drug Control
225-763-5485

- Protects the health and welfare of consumers by assuring that foods, drugs, cosmetics and prophylactic devices manufactured, processed, packed or sold in Louisiana are pure, safe, wholesome and perform as they are labeled or advertised.

Genetic Diseases
504-568-5070

- Provides screening, diagnosis, counseling and educational services to individuals with genetic disorders, their families and the general public.

HIV/AIDS
504-568-7524

- Provides for surveillance of HIV infection and AIDS cases, with bimonthly and annual reports.
- Prevents the spread of HIV through various services in high risk areas, including targeted HIV/STD prevention education, HIV counseling and testing in parish health units, peer youth and prison programs and one-on-one street outreach in communities with high rates of sexually transmitted diseases.
- Provides HIV infected clients with home health and hospice, medications, transportation, emergency assistance funds and housing.

Immunization
504-483-1900

- Provides leadership, vaccines and supplies to give a full range of immunizations to at least 95 percent of the state's children by the time they enter kindergarten and to give the full range of immunizations to 90 percent of the state's children by the age of two.

**Infectious Disease Epidemiology
504-568-5005**

- Offers a computerized surveillance system to document cases of communicable diseases and to identify disease trends and risk groups. The program also conducts investigations of disease outbreaks, conducts rabies surveillance and evaluates transmission potential; provides consultation and technical assistance to private and public health care professionals; provides educational in-service programs to a variety of health professionals; and publishes timely information to physicians on communicable diseases.

**Infectious Waste Control
225-765-5555**

- Protects health by regulating the packaging, transportation and treatment of potentially infectious biomedical waste by health care facilities, commercial transport, storage and treatment facilities and private citizens.

**Injury Research and Prevention
504-568-2509**

- Serves as an information and technical assistance resource for injury prevention efforts in Louisiana and conducts surveillance of targeted injuries.

**Laboratory Services
504-568-5375**

- Laboratory analyses combine screening, prevention, diagnosis and treatment for patients in programs where health services are delivered directly to the client and for monitoring and data collection where epidemiology is the focus. Laboratory analyses also combine inspection and correction of conditions that may cause disease or disorder to Louisiana citizens or to those who buy goods produced in the state.

**Maternal and Child Health
504-568-5073**

- Provides education, counseling, screening, treatment and follow-up to ensure the physical and dental health of infants, children and pregnant women in this state.
- MCH epidemiological studies in the state.
- provides objective data for policy-building process and other specific projects.
- analyzes data from different data sources such as vital records, the Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System (PRAMS), and other program data.

**Milk and Dairy Control
225-765-5599**

- Assures safe, wholesome milk and milk products for public consumption and works to maintain a zero level of milk-borne disease in the state. Certifies all dairy farms and processing plants supplying milk for government contracts and interstate commerce.

**Molluscan Shellfish Program
225-763-3571**

- Prevents infectious disease by providing health certification that shellfish-growing waters do not contain contamination or pollution hazardous to public health.

**Nutrition Services
504-568-5065**

- Provides community nutrition outreach programs and health fairs.
- Provides technical support and training for healthcare professionals.
- Provides training and professional guidance for public health interns and students in graduate, post-graduate and medical programs.
- Provides nutrition screening, assessment and counseling.
- Certified Child Care Consultants

**Nursing Services
504-568-5142**

- Assesses, evaluates, counsels, and educates clients on chronic disease reduction (heart disease, diabetes, strokes, and chronic respiratory conditions).
- Provides child health services including physical assessments, developmental evaluations, health risk assessments, immunizations, and nutritional guidance.
- Provides early screening and detection of cervical and breast cancer.

**Onsite Wastewater Program
225-763-5550**

- Monitors, regulates and issues permits for individual sewerage systems to protect the public from wastewater-borne disease, from sewerage treatment systems served by a single dwelling, office building or institution, exclusive of industrial wastes.

**Operator Certification Program for Water and Wastewater Operators
225-765-5058**

- Provides licenses for Water and Wastewater Operators of systems that serve populations over 500 and coordinates training programs with other training organizations

**Pharmacy Services
504-568-5022**

- Provides the medication requirements for the Family Planning Program, including contraceptive devices and medications for the STD, Tuberculosis, Children's Special Health Services and Hemophilia Programs.

**Public Health Emergency & Response
225-763-3581**

- The Office of Public Health works with other state agencies to deal with natural and man-made disasters located within or near the borders of Louisiana. Offers updated information as received by the Emergency Operating Center (EOC) and provides and receives technical advice.

**Public Health Social Services
504-568-2951**

- Provides psychosocial services for children, families and adults, directly or via referral within the community service network. Services are routinely available in the Children's Special Health Services Program and by referrals in other programs of the OPH.

**Retail Food Inspection
225-763-3590**

- Prevents or minimizes the occurrence of food-borne disease outbreaks through comprehensive programs of consulting.

**Safe Drinking Water
225-765-5038**

- Assures the proper design, construction, operation and quality of public water supplies and provides technical assistance to persons with individual water systems.

**Sexually Transmitted Diseases
504-568-5275**

- Provides surveillance and control of sexually transmitted diseases by identifying infected individuals and providing treatment.

**Tuberculosis Control
504-568-5015**

- Provides surveillance for active tuberculosis cases; tracking, testing and medical evaluation of contacts to active cases; outbreak evaluations and control, and provides professional community education.

**Vital Records
504-568-5152**

- Responds to statutory mandates related to the collection, maintenance, certification, sale and preservation of birth, death, marriage and other vital records.

**WIC Services (Supplemental Program for Women, Infants and Children)
504-568-5065**

- When medically necessary, WIC provides a nutritious food package and nutrition counseling to low income infants and children up to the age of five, as well as pregnant, postpartum and breastfeeding women at nutritional risk. WIC also provides:
 - Breastfeeding guidance;
 - Breast pump loan program;
 - Nutrition activities and group classes;
 - Cooking demonstrations and recipes; and
 - Nutrition screening, assessment and counseling.

Parish Health Profile Glossary

ATOD: Term used in the Communities That Care Survey to mean “alcohol, tobacco and other drugs”.

Access: Freedom or ability to obtain or make use of as in the case of health care.

Accident: An unintentional injury.

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS): An infection that greatly diminishes the cell-mediated immune system, usually caused by the human immunodeficiency virus, (HIV).

Actual causes of death: The behavior that contributes to the leading causes of death.

Adequate Prenatal care: As measured by The Modified Kessner Index, meaning that the first prenatal visit was in the first three months of the pregnancy and that the number of prenatal visits was appropriate to the gestational age of the baby at birth.

Advocacy: The promotion of policies, regulations and programs to improve health by mobilizing public sentiment to pressure systems.

Age-adjusted death rate: A rate calculated to adjust for differences in the distribution of ages in separate populations. The distribution of ages in a population can increase or decrease the likelihood of death in that population. When comparing mortality data from different populations, rates adjusted for differences in age distribution are used because age is the most significant characteristic related to disease and death.

Anemia: A condition in which the blood is deficient in red blood cells, in hemoglobin, or in total volume. Iron deficiency is the most common known form of nutritional deficiency.

Assistive technology: Technology that is used to increase the communication or mobility of persons with disabilities.

At risk for overweight children: Children who are in the 85th to 94th percentile of the gender-specific Body Mass Index BMI for age-growth charts.

Body Mass Index (BMI): A measure of the relative weight of an individual using a mathematical formula that takes into account both a person's height and weight.

Baseline: The starting point for a comparison, usually taken before an intervention.

Behavioral Risk Factor Social Survey (BRFSS): An anonymous national survey conducted by telephone interview that asks about behaviors and behavioral determinants.

Benchmark: The measurement against which you will compare all others.

Bipolar: formerly known as manic-depression, is a disorder of the brain resulting in episodes of mania and depression.

Birth defect: An abnormality in structure, function or body metabolism that is present at birth.

Birth rate (crude birth rate): A measure of the number of live births in a population during a given period of time.

Birthweight: The first weight of a newborn obtained after birth. Low birthweight is defined as less than 2,500 grams (5 pounds 8 ounces or 5.5 lbs.). Very low birthrate is defined as less than 1,500 grams (3 pounds 5 ounces or 3.3 lbs.). The percent of low and very low birthweight is the number of these births in a population during a given time interval, divided by the total number of live births reported in that population during the same time interval. Very low birthweight infants are at greater risk of mortality and long-term disability than higher weight infants.

Bio-terrorism: Destruction, or the threat of destruction, through the use of biological agents by states, groups, or individuals in order to intimidate or to coerce governments or civilians.

Blood borne diseases: Disease that are passed through blood, including syphilis, hepatitis B, hepatitis C and HIV/AIDS.

Brownfields: Abandoned, idle, or underused industrial or commercial sites where expansion or redevelopment is complicated by real or potential environmental contamination perceived by the community.

Cancer: A term for diseases in which abnormal cells divide without control. Cancer cells can invade nearby tissue and can spread through the bloodstream and lymphatic system to other parts of the body.

Case: In medical terms, it is a person with an illness or related health event, i.e., injury. In studies, cases are the subjects, persons or things, from which data are collected. A case is the smallest unit of analysis.

Carcinogen: A substance or agent that is known to cause cancer.

Cerebrovascular disease: A disease of or involving the cerebrum (brain) and the blood vessels supplying it.

Child Abuse: The non-accidental, physical or mental injury to a child by the child's caretaker.

Coastal beach advisories: Recommendations for specific coastal marine beaches based on levels of indicator bacteria (i.e. fecal coliforms and enterococci). Advisories remain in effect until bacteria levels at the sampling locations meet bacteriological water quality criteria.

Colorectal Cancer: Cancer of the colon and rectum.

Community: A specific group of people, often living in a defined geographical area, who share a common culture, values, and norms and are arranged in a social structure according to relationships developed over a period of time.

Community capacity: Characteristics of communities that affect their ability to identify, mobilize, and address social and public health problems.

Community policing: Policing which combines the resources of the police, the local government and the community for community-based problem solving.

Communities That Care (CTC) Survey: Survey of youth in grades 6, 8, 10 and 12 conducted every other year by The Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals, Office of Addictive Disorders and the Department of Education.

Contraception (birth control): the means of pregnancy prevention. Contraceptive methods include permanent methods (i.e. male and female sterilization) and temporary methods (i.e. barrier, hormonal and behavioral).

Cyber crimes: Specific crimes dealing with computers and networks (such as hacking) and the facilitation of traditional crime through the use of computers (child pornography, hate crimes, telemarketing /Internet fraud).

Data: Actual numbers, rankings, sequences and values that describe something specific, most often considered to be numerical or quantitative although transcripts and videotapes are also considered data in qualitative research.

Data base: Data organized for rapid retrieval and analysis, a consolidation of many records of single datum.

Data point: A single piece of data.

Depression: A cognitive and emotional disorder causing thoughts of deprivation, frustration, rejection, humiliation or punishment.

Developmental disability: A disability that occurs prior to age 22; is likely to continue indefinitely; and results in substantial limitations in three or more areas of major life activities, such as self-care, language, learning, mobility, self-direction, and capacity for independent living.

Disability: A “condition” usually sensory, physical or mental that limits daily living or the independence of the individual.

Disparities: Refers to markedly distinct differences in quality or character, in this context, of health care.

Domestic/Family Violence: Any assault, battery or other physical, mental or emotional abuse that occurs between family or household members who live together or who previously lived together.

Drug Courts: A component of the judicial system wherein judges take an active and supervisory role in overseeing treatment, providing educational services, awarding incentives and imposing sanctions on individuals with drug and alcohol addictions in lieu of incarceration.

Early Prenatal Care: Care received in the first trimester of pregnancy.

Emerging pathogen: An illness-causing microorganism previously unknown to be a human pathogen; a foodborne pathogen not expected to occur in particular foods; or a pathogen that is dramatically increasing in prevalence.

Environment: The surroundings, the setting, the location in which an individual lives, works and/or plays.

Environmental factor: Factor in the air, water, soil or social context that is preventable and that has an affect on a health event.

Epidemiology: The study of distribution and determinants of health-related status or events and the application of this study to control of health problems.

Essential public health services: The public health services described in the Public Health in America (a collaborative statement defining public health vision, mission and essential services) statement: monitoring health status; diagnosing and investigating health problems; informing; educating and empowering people; mobilizing community partnerships; developing policies and plans; enforcing laws and regulations; linking people to needed services; conducting evaluations; and conducting research.

Equity: Freedom from bias or favoritism as in the case of obtaining health care.

Fish advisories: Recommendations to limit consumption of certain species of fish taken from waters where chemical contaminants are present.

Five-A-Day program: Daily intake of five servings from plant sources. The five servings and vegetables should be three vegetables and two fruits daily.

Food-borne illness and food-borne disease: Broad terms that encompass infection and intoxication caused by microbial or chemical contaminants in foods. Some food-borne illnesses are from a one-time intake of a sufficient number of microorganisms or toxin to cause illness. Other food-borne illnesses are the result of the intake of compounds over long periods of time.

Food-borne disease outbreak: The occurrence of two or more cases of a similar illness resulting from the ingestion of a common food.

Fluoridated Water: Water systems that have either adjusted fluoride levels to the optimal level or where fluoridation has occurred naturally.

Genetic disorders: The group of health conditions that result from genes passed to the embryo from the parents.

Geographical Information System (GIS): A computer application for mapping and analyzing geographic data to better understand data relationships and trends.

HIV: Human immunodeficiency virus that causes AIDS.

Hazardous wastes: Solid, liquid, or gas wastes that can cause death, illness, or injury to people or destruction of the environment if improperly treated, stored, transported, or discarded.

Healthy community: A community that is continuously creating and improving those physical and social environments and expanding those community resources that enable people to mutually support each other in performing all the functions of life and in developing to their maximum potential.

Health improvement plan: A series of timely and meaningful action steps that define and direct the distribution of the essential public health services in a specific state or community according to the gaps identified in the needs assessment.

Healthy People 2010: A comprehensive set of disease prevention and health promotion objectives for the nation to achieve over the first decade of the new century. Created by scientists both inside and outside of government, it identifies a wide range of public health priorities and specific, measurable objectives.

Hygiene: Any of a number of actions, conditions, or practices (as of cleanliness) conducive to health and sanitation.

ICD-9 Codes: A classification of diseases that categorizes morbidity and mortality based on information obtained from medical reports and vital statistics documents.

Immunization: The vehicle for vaccines to inoculate populations.

Incarcerate: To put in jail or imprison.

Incidence: Number of NEW cases of a disease occurring in the population during a specified period of time. The rate describes the extent that people within a population who do not have a disease develop the disease during a specific time period.

Index: A group of measurements that collectively represent a phenomenon or issue.

Indicator: A numerical, ordinal, or data representation of information that measures the status of a thing or process over time.

Indoor Air Quality (IAQ): A term that refers to air within homes and other buildings. Chemicals can become trapped indoors and result in elevated levels inside buildings affecting the IAQ.

Injury: Intentional or unintentional damage to the body. Injuries are understandable, predictable and preventable.

Intended pregnancy: A general term that includes pregnancies that the woman says was wanted at the time of conception, irrespective of contraception use.

Key indicator: An indicator that has particular significance in a population or for a particular subject, sometimes called the leading indicator.

Keywords: Specific words used in web based research/searches to help the researcher locate the exact sites, data and/or information.

Leading causes of death: A statistical representation of the most common causes of death reported on death certificates.

Mammogram: An x-ray of the breast which screens for unusual growths.

Mean: A measure of central tendency, the arithmetic average, calculated by adding up all the observed values and dividing them by the sample size of the group.

Mode: A measure of central tendency, the value that is most often reported in a sample.

Median: A measure of central tendency, the 50th percentile value or the value at which 50 percent of all values fall above or below.

Medicaid: Jointly (state and federally) funded primary source of preventive health care for medically vulnerable populations such as, low income families, low-income seniors, and disabled people covering a wide range of services including physician, hospital, laboratory, x-ray, and nursing home services. Optional programs cover services such as pharmacy and intermediate care facilities for the mentally retarded.

Medicare: Federally funded health insurance program for all people 65 years and older and some younger people in special circumstances. Medicare is a traditional fee-for-service system that covers health care needs. **Medicare Part A** is inpatient hospital insurance, skilled nursing facility services, home health services, and hospice care. **Medicare Part B** is supplementary medical insurance. Medicare pays the balance of health care costs after clients pay premiums and deductibles.

Microbial: Bacteria, viruses or other microbes.

Morbidity: The relative incidence of disease.

Mortality: The quality or state of being dead.

NCHS list of 72 leading causes of death: Extrapolated from the coding system of diseases, ICD-9 codes. On a national level, it is the 72 most common causes of death.

Needs assessment: A formal process used to identify problems and assess the capacity to address health and social service needs. The needs assessment will identify which populations, if any, are underserved by the providers in that community and it will provide information about resource distribution.

Neglect (in reference to child abuse and neglect): Refers to the caretaker's failure to provide for the child's basic physical, medical, and/or emotional needs.

Newborn Screenings: Tests of newborn children for genetic and metabolic disorders.

Obesity: An excess of body fat defined by an individual's BMI.

Oral Health: The health of teeth and gums. Good oral health habits include good diets, tooth brushing, flossing, and regular check-ups.

Overweight children: Children who are at or above the 95th percentile of the gender-specific Body Mass Index (BMI) for age-growth charts.

Ozone: Air pollutant linked to industrial and transportation sources. Ozone is the main ingredient in urban smog and leads to shortness of breath, wheezing, coughing, headaches, nausea, and eye and throat irritation.

Pap test (or smear): Microscopic examination of cells collected from the cervix, used to detect changes that may be cancer, inflammation, or infection.

Pathogen: A microorganism that causes illness.

Per capita: Per person.

Pesticides: Chemicals developed to repel, control, or kill pests such as insects, weeds, fungi, or rodents.

Physical Activity: Moderate activity occurring in segments at least ten minutes long, and add up to at least 30 minutes a day, five or more days per week.

Population at risk: The total number of persons who are at risk for the disease or people who are cases and people who could become cases.

Poverty Level: A set of money income thresholds that vary by family size and composition. Incomes below the appropriate thresholds are considered below the poverty level. Thresholds are updated annually by the U.S. Census Bureau.

Premature birth: A live birth that occurs prior to 37 weeks pregnancy.

Prenatal care: Health care, counseling and related services provided during pregnancy to assure the best possible health for both mother and child. Care should start in the first trimester and continue throughout pregnancy. One major focus of such care is screening/monitoring to identify conditions that might threaten the mother or the child. A second major focus is counseling and guidance relative to diet, alcohol, tobacco and other health concerns. Other services, for those who qualify, are social and financial counseling, WIC, and Medicaid.

Prevalence: The number of people in a population who have a certain disease, disorder or condition at any given time.

Preventable injury: Unintentional or intentional damage to the body that could have been prevented, including homicide and suicide.

Primary data: Data that are collected for the specific purpose of the research at hand.

Primary prevention: Halting the occurrence of a disease before it happens.

Proportion: Ratio in which the numerator is a subset for the denominator.

Protective Factors: Term used in the CTC Survey to define attitudes and influences that have been shown to help youth resiliency to youth behavior problems.

Quality of Life (QOL): A representation of the qualitative level of a person's life. There are many QOL indexes.

Rate: A measure of some event, disease, or condition in relation to a unit of population, along with some specification of time. Rates allow comparisons between different populations or one population at two different times.

Ratio: One number divided by another.

Risk factor: Something that increases a person's chance of developing a condition. An underlying factor that is preventable and which leads to, or increases, the risk of an adverse health event. It is a characteristic that has been demonstrated statistically to be associated with a particular injury. Term used in the CTC Survey to define attitudes and influences that have been shown to be detrimental to youth resiliency to youth behavior problems.

Schizophrenia: A biologically-based brain disorder characterized by loss of connection to reality and associated with affective, behavioral, and intellectual disturbances.

Screening: Checking for a disease when there are no symptoms.

Sealant: A plastic coating applied to the chewing surface of the teeth, primarily to protect the surface molars from collecting food, bacteria or debris that would promote dental decay development.

Secondary data: Data that are collected by others or already exists that is used by a researcher.

Secondary prevention: Screenings and tests to identify the pathogenic states of people in order to prevent disease progression.

Serious mental illness: A diagnosable mental, behavioral, or emotional disorder that meets criteria of the Diagnosis and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM-IV – American Psychiatric Association, 1994) and results in functional impairment substantially interfering with or limiting one or more major life activities, including schizophrenia and psychotic disorder, major depression, and bipolar disorder.

Sexually transmitted diseases (STDs): Diseases that are transmitted through sexual contact; Chlamydia, syphilis, and gonorrhea for example.

Stakeholder: A person or organization that has a reason to be interested in the results of planning.

Superfund sites: Environmental contamination sites that qualify for federal cleanup money.

Swimming advisories: Recommendations for specific bodies of water that are not safe to swim or recreate in due to contaminants or pollution, usually coliform contamination or in some incidences, chemical contamination of water or sediments.

Target population: The groups of persons (usually those at high risk) who program intervention are designed to reach.

Total Crime Index: FBI data base, combination of the arrests for violent crime and for property crime.

Trend: The value of a measured indicator over time.

Underlying cause of death: The disease or injury that initiated the sequence of events leading to death. An example of an underlying cause of death due to lung cancer is smoking tobacco.

Underweight Children: Children who are below the 5th percentile of the gender-specific Body Mass Index BMI for-age growth charts.

Unintended pregnancy: A general term that includes pregnancies that a woman states were mistimed or unwanted at the time of conception (not at the time of birth), irrespective of contraception use.

Unintentional injury: A type of injury that occurs without purposeful intent.

Vaccines: Biological substances that interact with the immune system and usually produce an immune response that is identical to that produced by the natural infection (not subjecting a person to full-blown disease or complications).

Validity: The ability of an indicator or a variable to measure what one intended to measure. The example of a valid indicator is cigarette sales as a measure of tobacco consumption. When people buy cigarettes they are likely to use them. An indicator that is not valid would be reporting tobacco usage when interviewing young teens while their parents were present.

Vector: Living, nonhuman hosts to a disease-causing pathogen including insects, like a fly or mosquito, or a small animal like a mouse or rat that transport, carry or serve the process of the disease.

Work-related injury: Any injury incurred by a worker while on or off employer premises but engaged in work-related activities.

Youth Risk Behavioral Survey (YRBS): a national survey conducted by phone interview that asks about behaviors and behavioral determinants.