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## Yolo County Renames Public Health Branch

(Woodland, CA) – To better assist Yolo County residents in accessing public health services and information, the Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) Community Health Branch will be renamed as Public Health Branch effective January 2, 2023. The name change comes after years of heightened attention to public health due to the COVID-19 pandemic and feedback from Yolo County staff and community members. Services and responsibilities remain unchanged, and the updated name will allow staff opportunities to communicate to the public more clearly on issues of concern related to the public health.

The Public Health Branch will continue to promote health and wellness, prevent disease and injury, and protect people and the environment through their services and programs:

- Emergency Medical Services
- Emergency Preparedness
- Health Education (General Health, Substance and Tobacco Use, and Car Seat Safety)
- Health Equity and Healthy Communities
- Infectious and Communicable Disease (CD) Investigation and Control
- Maternal, Child, and Adolescent Health (MCAH)
- Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Planning and Cultural Competency
- SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Education)
- WIC (Women, Infants, and Children) and Breastfeeding Programs and Support

“We believe this is an important step to decrease the barriers to public health services and information,” said Nolan Sullivan, HHSA Director. “Our national, state, and local healthcare partners regularly refer residents to their local ‘public health departments’ for accessing information, care, and resources on a variety of public health issues. This update will now clarify and make it easier for residents to search for Yolo County Public Health and find the programs and services they need.”

In an effort to ensure a smooth transition with minimal disruption to services, updates to county websites and materials are expected to run through March 2023. Questions or concerns may be emailed to [Nilufar.Ceyhan@yolocounty.org](mailto:Nilufar.Ceyhan@yolocounty.org).

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