

Los Angeles County Department of Public Health Youth Advisory Council

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health Youth Advisory Council?

The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health Youth Advisory Council (DPH YAC) is a team of passionate young leaders throughout Los Angeles County that are dedicated to improving the health of their communities. The DPH YAC brings valuable youth perspectives to DPH and works to advise the Department's leadership and staff on its programs and policies.

The mission of the DPH YAC is to raise awareness of health issues plaguing our communities, while working in collaboration with DPH leadership to advise on public health solutions that improve the health and well-being of youth in Los Angeles County.

What is the role of the DPH Youth Advisory Council?

The DPH YAC will work in partnership with adults to develop more youth-created and youth-informed programs and services. Council members are placed to work alongside public health professionals at one of our public health centers throughout Los Angeles County (*please see back for sites) and gain valuable experience.

Some of the roles and responsibilities include:

- Attend and actively participate in monthly DPH YAC meetings
- Create or participate in community service projects, programs and outreach and education activities
- Represent the DPH YAC at events and meetings
- Advise DPH Leadership on recommendations for improvements of programs

What are the benefits of participating in the DPH Youth Advisory Council?

Membership in the DPH YAC is a unique opportunity for students to gain work experience, leadership skills, and influence policies and programs within the Department of Public Health that impact youth. Some of the benefits include:

- Raising awareness of important health issues impacting youth.
- Developing and lead projects of interest that can help make an impact in your community.
- Advising Department leadership and staff regarding public health issues impacting youth, and ways to improvements of programs and policies.
- Expanding network that includes a broad range of public health professionals, while developing positive youth/adult relationships.

Are members of the DPH Youth Advisory Council paid?

Yes. YAC members are reimbursed on a bi-weekly basis by activities they participate and/or complete (fee-for-service).

What is the term limit the DPH Youth Advisory Council?

The membership term for the DPH YAC is one year with a possible extension for a second year.

Who can apply?

Youth residing in Los Angeles County who are 16-21 years old at the time of application are eligible to apply to the DPH YAC.

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When can I apply for the next cohort?

The 2022 DPH Youth Advisory Council will begin in the summer of 2022. Applications for the 2022 DPH Youth Advisory Council will open on April 1, 2022 and close on April 30, 2022. The application can be filled electronically at:

<https://tinyurl.com/dphyac>

Please check the Maternal, Child, & Adolescent Health website for program updates at: <https://tinyurl.com/lacdph-mcah-yac> or send an email to YouthAdvisoryCouncil@ph.lacounty.gov

YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEALTH CENTER JOB PLACEMENT SITES*	
Service Planning Area 1— Antelope Valley Public Health Center 335-B East Avenue K6 Lancaster, CA 93535	Service Planning Area 5— Simms/Mann Health and Wellness Center 2509 Pico Boulevard, Room 320 Santa Monica, CA 90405
Service Planning Area 2— Zev Yaroslavsky Family Support Center 7555 Van Nuys Blvd. Van Nuys, CA 91405	Service Planning Area 6— MLK Jr. Center for Public Health 11833 Wilmington Ave. Los Angeles, CA 90059
Service Planning Area 3— Monrovia Public Health Center 330 W. Maple Avenue Monrovia, CA 91016	Service Planning Area 7— Whittier Public Health Center 7643 S. Painter Avenue Whittier, CA 90602
Service Planning Area 4— Central Public Health Center 241 N. Figueroa Street Los Angeles, CA 90012	Service Planning Area 8— Curtis R. Tucker Public Health Center 123 W. Manchester Blvd. Inglewood, CA 90301

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