Meet Our Providers

Dr. Richard Pope
Dr. Pope has been with Linn County Public Health since 1990 serving as the Medical Advisor and working in the clinic to diagnosis and treat tuberculosis and sexually transmitted infections. Dr. Pope also provides travel medicine consultations, PrEP consultations and therapy, and is authorized by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) as a civil surgeon to perform the medical exams required for most green card applicants.

Nicole Pruchno, ARNP
Nicole consults with newly arrived refugees to ensure their health status for a successful transition into our community. In addition, she will diagnosis and treat tuberculosis, sexually transmitted infections, and provide medical consultation to individuals traveling outside of the country. She is a certified family nurse practitioner through the Accreditation Board for Specialty Nursing Certification.

Make An Appointment
Appointments are preferred for the Linn County Public Health Clinic and can be scheduled by calling 319-892-6093.

Linn County Public Health is open Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Connect With Us Online

Website
LinnCountyIowa.gov/Health

Email
HealthClinic@linncountyiowa.gov

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Linn County Public Health

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Build A Healthier Linn County
Clinical Health Services

Clinical Services is a branch of Linn County Public Health providing a wide variety of health services to the public by assisting with disease prevention, health promotion, and health protection.

The goal of Clinical Health Services is to provide excellent health services to all individuals regardless of age, race, immigration status, or insurance status.

Services Available
- Sexually transmitted infection (STI) testing and treatment
- HIV testing and referral services
- PrEP Therapy to help prevent HIV infection in individuals at high risk for infection
- Immunizations for children and adults
- International travel clinic
- Tuberculosis testing
- Hepatitis services
- School and sports physicals
- Vaccine verification for refugees needing a green card
- Civil surgeon services for Change of Status exam for immigrants applying for a green card

Immunizations

Vaccinations protect adults and children against serious diseases by stimulating the immune system to create antibodies against certain bacteria or viruses.

Immunizations Available
- Hepatitis
- Tetanus
- Vaccines for Children (VFC)

Linn County Public Health accepts most insurances. If you don’t have insurance, please contact us to learn if there is a patient assistance program that may help.

Travel Medicine Clinic

Linn County Public Health provides travelers with travel immunization consultation relevant to the area of travel and suggested immunizations/prescriptions. Travelers will be provided printed materials that outline potential threats present in the area of travel.

Travel Vaccines Available
- Typhoid
- Yellow Fever
- Japanese Encephalitis

PrEP

PrEP, Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis, is the use of anti-HIV medications to keep HIV negative people from becoming infected. Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis is approved by the FDA and has been shown to be safe and effective at preventing HIV infection. Daily Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis reduces the risk of getting HIV from sex by more than 90%. Among people who inject drugs, it reduces the risk by more than 70%. Your risk of getting HIV from sex can be even lower if you combine Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis with condoms and other prevention methods.

Call 319-892-6093 to schedule an appointment with our provider to discuss if Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis is right for you.

Refugee & Immigrant Service

Clinical Services staff are proud to offer initial health exams to new refugees arriving in Linn County. We can help with required immunizations, tuberculosis testing, and other needed testing for successful integration within the community.

In addition, our clinic has a civil surgeon that can provide Change of Status exams to refugees and immigrants seeking a green card.

Tuberculosis (TB)

Tuberculosis is caused by a bacteria that usually attacks the lungs, but can attack any part of the body such as the kidney, spine, and brain.

Our clinic offers testing and treatment for TB.

Mission

To prevent disease and injuries, promote healthy living, protect the environment, and ensure public health preparedness.