



Yamhill County
Health and Human Services
Public Health

To: Health Care Providers in Yamhill County

From: Yamhill County Public Health

Date: **2/15/22**

Regarding: *Prenatal care provider survey on congenital syphilis*

Phone number for follow-up: **(503) 434-7483**

ALERT

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Health Care Providers**



State of Oregon
Health Alert Network

Reminder - Prenatal care provider survey on congenital syphilis

**** Please forward to all interested parties ****

Dear Oregon prenatal care providers,

The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) STD Program recently issued a [HAN Alert](#) regarding year-over-year increases in syphilis diagnoses among pregnant people and infants in Oregon. **There were 28 cases of congenital syphilis in 2021 (preliminary data as of 12/30/2021), an increase from 19 cases in 2020.** Oregon counties that have never seen a case of congenital syphilis are now receiving reports of babies born with syphilis.

The OHA STD Program endeavors to design educational materials and training programs for prenatal care providers. To that end, we kindly ask that you **complete a brief, 5-minute survey** about syphilis-related experiences in your practice. The survey is **anonymous**, and your answers cannot be traced back to information that identifies you.

Please find the survey [here](#).

Feel free to forward this HAN Alert and the survey link to practice partners, colleagues, and listservs of prenatal care providers and Oregon chapters of relevant associations of health professionals who care for pregnant people.

Thank you for your help in addressing the syphilis epidemic among pregnant people and infants in Oregon.

If you have any questions about the survey or congenital syphilis, please contact Tim W Menza, MD, PhD at timothy.w.menza@dhsosha.state.or.us.

Unless otherwise noted, feel free to share this HAN Notification with:

- Others within your organization.
- Professionals within your health, preparedness, and response affiliations.

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