

Coos Health & Wellness

Together, Inspiring Healthier Communities



PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK

Environmental Health Program at Coos Health & Wellness

Did you know that Coos Health & Wellness employs three Environmental Health Specialists (EHS)? What is an EHS and what do they do for our community? EHS is synonymous with restaurant inspector, pool inspector or health inspector.

In a typical Coos County year: 700 restaurant inspections are performed; 40 pool inspections are made; 115 inspections of food services are made at community events like street festivals and farmer's markets; 225 inspections are made for tourists' lodgings like hotels, RV Parks, and vacation rentals. Among other things EHS also inspect bed and breakfasts, organization camps, day care centers and the cafeterias of public schools. EHS teach food handler classes for the teenager seeking that first job. EHS have oversight for more than 50 public water systems in Coos County and provide consultation when water samples show the presence of bacteria.

The Environmental Health Specialists at Coos Health & Wellness thrive to protect our community from diseases and their work routinely has an effect on virtually every resident and every tourist in Coos County. When not found, you know the EHS has been successful.