

Inter-Island Public Health Excellence Collaborative



**Aquinnah, Chilmark, Edgartown, Gosnold,
Nantucket, Oak Bluffs, Tisbury, West Tisbury**

Shoring Up Island Resources

Public Health Excellence (PHE) funds have given Boards of Health across Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket the resources to collectively strengthen public health monitoring and delivery, **addressing issues that directly shape the lives of Islanders, including safe and affordable housing, climate change, and mosquito- and tick-borne illnesses.**

DID YOU KNOW?



Public health workers on the Vineyard **translate complex health information** into clear, actionable guidance, **empowering residents to make informed decisions** for themselves and their community.



Snapshot: Public Health on Martha's Vineyard

Health Crisis Response

Track patterns in data during health threats like bird flu and issue guidance to the community on how to stay safe.

Public Health Nursing

Visit at-risk groups like babies and older adults in the community to prevent illness and help manage chronic disease.

Public Health Outreach

Keep communities informed of public health resources and emergencies.

Food Safety

Inspect restaurant and food vendors to ensure safe preparation and handling of food.

Disease Surveillance

Coordinate across Island towns to track patterns of disease and communicate with the public about how to prevent or slow the spread of disease.

Environmental Health

Ensure the safety of the Island's natural environment and protect people against threats to health like ticks and extreme heat.

