

# Working Together for a Healthier Wales: Get to Know Us

**Who we are, what we do, why it matters.**

## Who we are

Everyone in Wales deserves the chance to live a healthy life. That's what we work for every day.

Public Health Wales is the national public health organisation for Wales. We exist to help all people in Wales live longer, healthier lives.

With our partners, we aim to increase healthy life expectancy, improve health and wellbeing, and reduce inequalities for everyone in Wales, now and for future generations.

**Prevent  
disease**



**Protect  
health**



**Improve  
wellbeing**



**Reduce health  
inequalities**



## What we do

We play a unique and vital role in population health by focussing on prevention and supporting healthcare.

We deliver national services, such as screening, vaccination, and public health protection programmes, to help people stay healthier for longer.

We also address the full range of issues that shape health. From preventing disease and protecting against threats, to reducing inequalities and shaping the conditions that support wellbeing.

As Wales's national public health organisation, we lead long-term prevention and population health efforts, working with partners across the country to help create healthy and prosperous communities.

Our goal is a Wales where everyone can live longer, healthier lives with fair and equal access to the things that support good health and wellbeing.

### Our work covers:

#### Health Protection and Infection

Diagnosing, treating and controlling infectious diseases, environmental threats and public health emergencies.

#### Policy and Partnerships

Advising and supporting government and partners with trusted, expert public health insight.

#### Screening Services

Detecting conditions like cancer and newborn disorders early through national screening programmes.

#### Health Improvement

Supporting ways of living that improve health, from reducing smoking and substance use to better nutrition, physical activity, and mental wellbeing.

#### Research and Innovation

Improving health outcomes through evidence-based change and new ideas.

#### Surveillance and Intelligence

Turning data into actionable insights to inform decisions and raise awareness.

## Why it matters

Not everyone in Wales has the same chance to live a healthy life.

Health isn't just about healthcare. Housing, education, jobs, income, and the environment all affect how long and well we live. That's why we work across sectors to put health at the heart of decisions about Wales's future.

By bringing evidence, partnership, and innovation together, we help to create the conditions for people and communities across Wales to thrive.

**We are Public Health Wales.**  
**Working together for a healthier Wales.**