



Health Services Guide



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Know your status. HIV testing is quick—get results within 20 minutes. (see page 12)



Grant-funded breast and cervical cancer screening services are available for eligible individuals. (see page 13)



From birth control to benefit assistance, we have a Family Planning program that will fit your unique needs. (start on page 22)

Mission:

Cobb & Douglas Public Health, with our partners, promotes and protects the health and safety of the residents of Cobb and Douglas counties.

About the Program Guide:

This program guide was published in 2026 to inform residents and local organizations about the various health services and programs Cobb & Douglas Public Health offers.

Questions?

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Find out about the new Low-Income Septic System Pump/Repair Project. (see page 32)

Overview of Services

Cobb & Douglas Public Health offers a wide-range of exceptional, cost-effective health services for both adults and children. The doctors, nurses, technicians and educators are some of the most caring and respected in their fields, striving daily to lead others and raise the bar for compassion, expertise, confidentiality, professionalism and attentive customer care. In addition to the on-site clinical offerings and mobile clinical services, CDPH offers an extensive referral network to guide clients to additional medical or social services.

Adult Health Services:

- Adult Immunizations
- Breast & Cervical Cancer Program
- Express Clinic
- Family Planning/Women's Health
- Homebound Vaccination Program
- HIV Prevention and Diagnosis
- Hypertension Screening & Management
- Immunity Testing/Lab
- Medical Records
- Pharmacy
- Routine TB Screening
- Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs)
- Travel Health Services
- Tuberculosis Clinic/Refugee Health Services Program
- Vital Records (Birth/Death Certificates)

Child Health and Family Support Services:

- Babies Can't Wait
- Children's Medical Services
- Children 1st
- Childhood Immunizations
- Early Hearing Detection and Intervention Program
- School Certificates Form 3231 & 3300
- SAFE KIDS

Family Planning and Support Services:

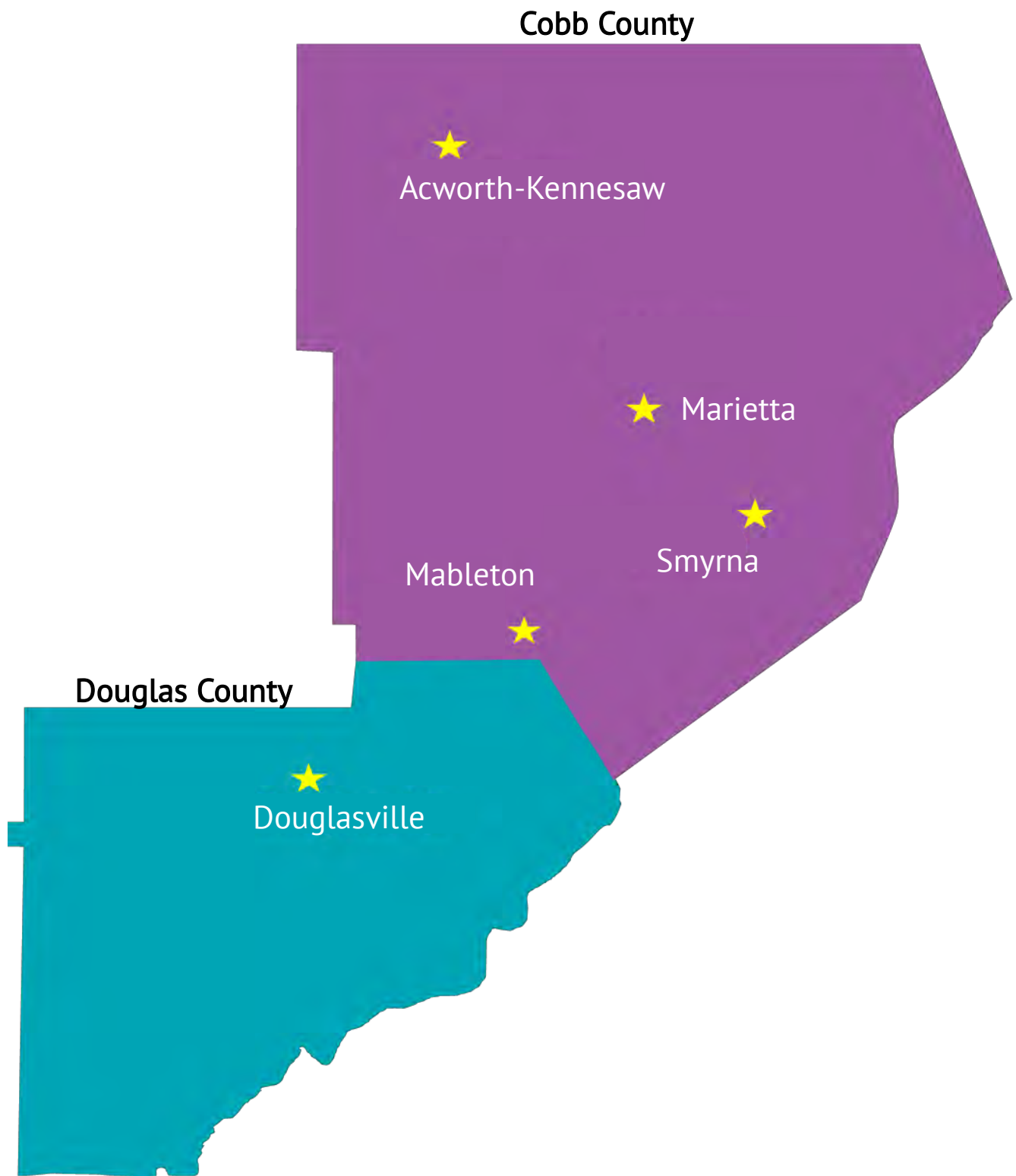
- Pregnancy Services
- Women, Infants & Children (WIC) Supplemental Nutrition Program

Community Health Prevention Programs:

- Adolescent Health & Youth Development
- Chronic Disease Prevention
- Opioid Misuse Prevention
- Tobacco and Vape Use Prevention

Environmental Health Services:

- Public Health Complaints
- Low-Income Septic System Pump/Repair Project
- Septic Tank Water Pump Bill Credit Program



★ = Public Health Center



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Center Locations



Acworth-Kennesaw Public Health Center

Acworth-Kennesaw Public Health Center

3810 Old 41 Highway NW

Kennesaw, GA 30144

Phone: (770) 514-2300

WIC Clinic, Call: (770) 514-2389

Hours: Monday - Friday from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM*

Services:

- Family Planning/Women's Health
- HIV Prevention & Diagnosis
- Immunity Testing/Lab
- Immunizations
- Pregnancy Assistance
- Routine TB Screening
- School Certificates Form 3231 & 3300
- STI Services
- Travel Health Services
- Women, Infants & Children (WIC) Supplemental Nutrition Program

Marietta Public Health Center—Building A

1650 County Services Parkway SW

Marietta, Georgia 30008

Phone: (770) 514-2300

Hours: Monday - Friday from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM*

Services:

- Express Clinic
- Family Planning/Women's Health
- HIV Prevention & Diagnosis
- Immunity Testing/Lab
- Immunizations
- Pregnancy Assistance
- Pharmacy
- Positive Impact Health Center
- School Certificates Form 3231 & 3300
- STI Services
- Travel Health Services
- Vital Records (Birth/Death Certificates)
- Women, Infants & Children (WIC) Supplemental Nutrition Program

*Hours vary per program. Visit

www.cobbanddouglasspublichealth.org for more information.

Marietta Public Health Center – Building B

1738 County Services Parkway

Marietta, GA 30008

Phone: (770) 514-2300

Hours: Monday - Friday from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM*

Services:

- Babies Can't Wait
- Children 1st
- Children Medical Services
- Routine TB Screening
- Tuberculosis Clinic/Refugee Health Services Program

Smyrna Public Health Center

3001 South Cobb Drive

Smyrna, GA 30080

Phone: (770) 514-2300

Hours: Monday - Friday from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM*

Services:

- Family Planning/Women's Health
- HIV Prevention & Diagnosis
- Immunity Testing/Lab
- Immunizations
- Pregnancy Assistance
- Routine TB Screening
- School Certificates Form 3231 & 3300
- STI Services
- Women, Infants & Children (WIC) Supplemental Nutrition Program

South Cobb Public Health Center (WIC)

875 Riverside Parkway, Building 1

Mableton, GA 30168

Phone: (770) 514-2300

Hours: Monday - Friday from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM*

Services:

- Women, Infants & Children (WIC) Supplemental Nutrition Program

Douglas Public Health Center

6770 Selman Drive

Douglasville, GA 30134

Phone: (770) 949-1970

Hours: Monday - Friday from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM*

Services:

- Babies Can't Wait
- Children 1st
- Children's Medical Services
- Family Planning/Women's Health
- HIV Prevention & Diagnosis
- Immunity Testing/Lab
- Immunizations
- Pregnancy Assistance
- Routine TB Screening
- SAFE KIDS
- School Certificates Form 3231 & 3300
- STI Services
- Travel Health Services
- Women, Infants & Children (WIC) Supplemental Nutrition Program

*Hours vary per program. Visit www.cobbanddouglaspublichealth.org for more information.

Description of Adult Health Services

Adult Immunizations

Immunizations drastically decrease the number of vaccine-preventable diseases in the United States and worldwide. Following a regular schedule of vaccinations from infancy through adulthood offers the best line of defense against a variety of illnesses and diseases.

While there are no required immunizations for adults living in the United States, unless the adult is a healthcare worker or public service worker, there are several immunizations that are recommended. The specific immunizations that are recommended as an adult are determined by factors such as age, life-style, type and location of travel, and previous immunizations.

Cobb & Douglas Public Health accepts several insurance plans for immunizations and many are offered at reduced cost through supportive grants for uninsured residents.

For more information, call (770) 514-2300.

Tuberculosis Clinic/Refugee Health Services Program

The Tuberculosis (TB) program has the ultimate responsibility for ensuring appropriate TB management in Cobb and Douglas counties. It primarily provides TB surveillance, which includes case finding, case reporting, case management and contact investigations using the principles of epidemiology. It also ensures that active TB cases and clients with latent TB infection are treated and monitored medically. The program provides Directly Observed Therapy (DOT), which is the standard of care in Georgia for TB patients to ensure completion of medication therapy. Directly observed therapy entails the direct observation of patient's self-administering TB medications. All of these activities are crucial to reaching the goal of TB prevention and control in Cobb and Douglas Counties. The TB program at Cobb & Douglas Public Health offers the following services:

- QuantiFeron (QFT)
- Tuberculin Skin Test (TST)
- Chest X-rays
- X-ray interpretation

Refugee Health Services provides domestic health screenings to newly arrived refugees of Cobb and Douglas Counties, to eliminate health-related barriers that could impact the refugees' successful resettlement, while at the same time, protecting the health of the general public.

Please Note: While TB and Refugee Health Services provided by CDPH are not free unless you qualify, services are provided at competitive rates and we do accept most insurance plans.

For more information on TB Testing & Treatment, visit <https://cobbanddouglaspublichealth.com/services/tuberculosis-tb/tb-testing-treatment/>.

For more information on Refugee Health, visit <https://cobbanddouglaspublichealth.com/services/tuberculosis-tb/refugee-health/>.

Tuberculosis Clinic/Refugee Health Services Program (Continued)

For more information, contact the TB Clinic:

TB Clinic

Marietta Health Center – Building B

1738 County Services Parkway

Marietta, GA 30008

(770) 514-2362

Hours: Monday thru Friday from 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

(Closed on the 3rd Wednesday of the month from 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM)

Routine TB Screening

Routine TB Screening to meet work or school requirements is offered at all clinical locations. Screening options will be based on medical and vaccination history via PPD Skin Testing or QFT Blood Screening.

Travel Health Clinic

Cobb & Douglas Public Health's Travel Health Clinic can help protect you from illness when you travel internationally. Weekly updates regarding the health and political climate worldwide are gathered from the World Health Organization. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and clinics stock all necessary vaccinations for world-wide travel needs.

During Travel Health appointments, you will receive a comprehensive consultation to help you avoid health risks internationally. This is done through reviewing your immunization history, itinerary, and potential risks for acquiring vaccine-preventable diseases. Vaccines will be recommended and administered, as desired, based on your assessment.

Customized, country-specific information is also provided, including entry requirements, areas of political or military instability, medical facilities, customs, crime, and laws.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, visit <https://cobbanddouglaspublichealth.com/services/travel-health-services/>.

Travel Services are offered at the following locations:

Marietta Public Health Center

1650 County Services Parkway SW

Marietta, Georgia 30008

Phone: (770) 514-2300

Acworth-Kennesaw

Public Health Center

3801 Old 41 Highway NW

Kennesaw, Georgia 30144

Phone: (770) 974-3330

Douglas Public Health Center

6770 Selman Drive

Douglasville, Georgia 30134

Phone: (770) 949-1970

Description of Adult Health Services

Medical Records

Cobb & Douglas Public Health must ensure protection of individual health information required by the laws of the state of Georgia and the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Privacy Rule.

How do I request medical records (including immunization records)?

- In Person: Bring a photo ID (passport, driver's license, U.S. military ID, state of Georgia ID, or foreign Passport) and payment. You may pay by credit card (Visa, MasterCard, American Express or Discover) or cash. The Authorization for Release of Protected Health Information Form can be completed at the time of the request or printed out in advance*.
- Online: Request a copy of medical records online by visiting the Cobb & Douglas Public Health website, <https://cobbanddouglaspublichealth.com/contact/medical-records-request/>
- By Mail: When requesting medical information by mail, include a completed Authorization for Release of Protected Health Information Form* and a copy of a photo ID. A CDPH representative will call to collect any payment after receiving the mail request. Mail request to:

Cobb & Douglas Public Health
Attention: Medical Records Department
1650 County Services Parkway SW
Marietta, GA 30008

- By Fax: Please print and complete an Authorization for Release of Protected Health Information Form* and fax to: (770) 794-4365. Records will only be returned via fax to other healthcare facilities.

Fees:

- Complete medical record: \$20.00 (for first 50 pages)
- Copy of individual page or form (example: Immunization record): \$5.00 (each)

For additional information, please call the Medical Records office at (770) 514-2360.

* The Authorization for Release of Protected Health Information Form can be found at <https://cobbanddouglaspublichealth.com/contact/medical-records-request/>.

Vital Records (Birth/Death Certificates)

Cobb & Douglas Public Health offers birth certificates and death certificates for anyone who was born or died in the state of Georgia. The state of Georgia maintains vital records filed from the year 1919 to the present year.

How do I request a vital record?

- In Person: Bring a photo ID (Passport, Driver's License, U.S. Military ID, State of Georgia ID, or Foreign Passport) and payment. You may pay by credit card (MasterCard, Visa, American Express and Discover) or cash.
- By Mail: Include a copy of your Photo ID, a signed request (https://cobbanddouglaspublichealth.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/04/VitalRecordsRequest_040813.pdf) and a money order made payable to Cobb County Public Health. Mail request to:

Cobb & Douglas Public Health
Attention: Vital Records Office
1650 County Services Parkway SW
Marietta, GA 30008

- Online: Cobb & Douglas Public Health does not accept credit cards or online orders; however, for your convenience, you can process online requests through an independent company, VitalChek. An additional fee is charged by VitalChek for using this service and all major credit cards are accepted, including American Express, Discover, MasterCard and Visa. For more information visit, <https://cobbanddouglaspublichealth.com/services/birth-death-certificates/>.

The person requesting a certified copy of a birth record must provide the appropriate fee and a signed request that includes the following information:

- Photo ID: Passport, Driver's License, U.S. Military ID, State of Georgia ID, Foreign Passport
- Full name of person shown on the birth certificate
- Date of birth (month, day, year)
- Place of birth (hospital, city, county)
- Full name of mother (include mother's maiden name)
- Full name of father
- Relationship to the person named on the birth certificate request
- The number of certificates requested

Fees:

- Search fee (includes one certified copy, if the record is found on file): \$25.00
- Additional certifications of the same record ordered at the same time: \$5.00

For more information, call (770) 514-2337

Description of Adult Health Services

Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs)

Cobb & Douglas Public Health is committed to reducing the spread of sexually transmitted infections through prevention, surveillance, risk reduction education, testing, treatment, partner notification and the provision of referrals as needed.

STI Services:

Our centers offer affordable testing for the most common Sexually Transmitted Infections including syphilis, gonorrhea, chlamydia, herpes and HIV. Appointments are available online or via phone. Walk-in appointments are accepted based on clinical availability.

Cost: Insurance is accepted. For patients without insurance, the cost of the visit is based on a sliding scale. Please provide proof of income on the day of your appointment.

Acceptable proof of income includes:

- Two recent pay stubs (one pay stub is acceptable in some cases)
- W-2 or tax papers
- Award letter from unemployment or disability
- Financial aid/loan paperwork (college students)
- High school students (ages 18 and under) must bring a progress report or school ID with the current school year on it

Visit <https://cobbanddouglaspublichealth.com/services/sexually-transmitted-infections-stis/> for more information.

HIV Prevention and Diagnosis

Grant-funded, Rapid HIV Testing is offered at the Marietta, Douglas, Smyrna and Acworth-Kennesaw center locations. Testing is available during normal business hours, Monday - Friday. Walk-ins are welcome!

HIV Self-Test Kits are also available for pick-up or mail delivery. **For more information, visit www.cobbanddouglaspublichealth.org/services/hiv/hiv-prevention/ or call (770) 514-2815.**

Pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) is medication that prevents the spread and contraction of HIV. CDPH offers both oral and injectable PrEP options, which when taken as directed are highly effective for preventing HIV acquisition. When taken daily, PrEP is highly effective for preventing HIV from sex or injection drug use. Appointments are available online or via phone. Walk-ins are accepted based on clinical availability.

Non-Occupational Post-Exposure HIV Prophylaxis (nPEP) is a medication regimen provided to prevent HIV acquisition after a potential exposure, often through sex or injection drug use. CDPH is not authorized to provide treatment to clients with work-related potential exposures.

HIV Prevention and Diagnosis (Continued)

Free condoms are available at all health centers and through mail order to residents of Cobb and Douglas counties. Visit <https://cobbanddouglaspublichealth.com/services/hiv/free-condom-project/> to order today!

Cobb & Douglas Public Health also sponsors special grant-funded HIV testing events throughout the year at various public health centers and community locations. Call (770) 514-2815 for more information on HIV Prevention outreach and testing events.

Breast & Cervical Cancer Program

Cobb & Douglas Public Health (CDPH) is committed to ensuring that low-income women, who are uninsured or under-insured, receive access to breast and cervical cancer screening services. The Breast and Cervical Cancer Program (BCCP) provides screening services including breast exams, mammogram referrals and Pap tests. Through this program, women with abnormal screening results receive timely diagnostic and treatment follow-up. If eligible, those with diagnosed breast or cervical cancer are guided through the enrollment for Women's Health Medicaid.

For more information about the Breast and Cervical Cancer Program at CDPH or to make an appointment, call (770) 514-2300.

Pharmacy

Our pharmacy provides patients with effective, quality medication for disease treatment, prevention and overall health. In addition to maintaining formularies and supplies, the pharmacy orders, receives and distributes pharmaceuticals to the different clinical service areas of Cobb & Douglas Public Health.

Pharmaceuticals are provided for the following areas:

- Travel Immunizations
- Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs)
- Tuberculosis (TB)
- Family Planning
- Hypertension Management
- HIV Prevention

For more information, call (770) 514-2345.

Description of Adult Health Services

Marietta Public Health Center Express Clinic

To better serve our community and reduce wait times at our busiest location, the Express Clinic at our Marietta Public Health Center location is ready to serve you. This clinic is designed to provide fast, convenient access to key health services, ensuring a more efficient experience for our patients.

Services offered:

- **Pregnancy Test:** Urine pregnancy testing with proof of result provided
- **College Health Screenings:** Titers, vaccine history, and USGA forms completed
- **Immunity Testing/Titers:** Blood testing to check for antibodies from previous vaccinations or infections to meet college or work requirements
- **Routine TB Screenings:** Required screening for school or work through PPD TB skin testing or QFT serum testing
- **Rapid Hepatitis C Testing:** 20-minute rapid test, when testing supplies are available
- **Rapid HIV Testing:** Results available at your visit
- **Express STI Screenings:** Includes testing for Chlamydia, Gonorrhea, Syphilis, and HIV for routine screening for eligible patients. Appointment does not include an exam and results are available in approximately 7 business days.
- **Birth Control Pill Refills/Repeat Depo-Provera Shots:** For established CDPH clients
- **High Blood Pressure Evaluations:** Evaluation of blood pressure and referral to Hypertension Management program as needed

Visit <https://cobbanddouglaspublichealth.com/services/appointments/> to book an appointment.

Hypertension Screening & Management

CDPH provides the Hypertension Program for patients with Primary Hypertension. Within the program, patients will be given education on lifestyle modifications and heart-healthy recommendations as well as medication if needed to reduce the risk of blood pressure-related heart disease.

Two screening appointments are required prior to enrollment in the CDPH Hypertension Program. Once enrolled, patients must complete an initial appointment followed by Hypertension F/U appointments. The number of follow-up appointments a patient may need varies based on their response to the medication therapy.

Patients may be seen under the Hypertension Program regardless of their insurance status. For insured patients, their visits and labs should be covered. For uninsured patients, visits should be charged based on a sliding fee. CDPH receives state funding to help cover the cost of visits and laboratory services when the patient is unable.

Patients will be able to independently schedule their initial hypertension screening appointment from the Cobb & Douglas Public Health Website. Subsequent appointments must be made by internal staff, as they are not publicly available to book.

Visit <https://cobbanddouglaspublichealth.com/services/appointments/> to book an appointment.

Homebound Vaccination Program

Cobb & Douglas Public Health is providing vaccinations to residents who are currently homebound due to an ongoing physical or mental disability. Eligible community members can request to receive vaccination inside their own home.

Please email CDPH.ClinicalServices@dph.ga.gov with the following information for the person who requires at-home vaccination:

- Name
- Date of birth
- Address
- City
- County
- Contact phone number*

*The contact phone number will be used to obtain additional information and schedule the vaccination.

Description of Child Health and Family Support Services

Childhood Immunizations

The following children have specific immunization requirements in Georgia: those attending child care centers, starting kindergarten, starting 7th grade, starting 11th grade or any age child who is new to Georgia public or private schools. Find out more on the requirements by age and grade by visiting <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/imz-schedules/index.html>.

Childcare/School Immunization Certificates

Georgia law requires children attending childcare or school to be protected from certain vaccine-preventable diseases. Cobb & Douglas Public Health offers vaccines to protect children and prepare them for school at clinics throughout both counties.

According to the law, parents who move to Georgia from another state and enroll their child in a Georgia school for the first time must provide the child's childcare center or school with a Certificate of Immunization (Form #3231) within 30 days of enrollment. This certificate verifies that the child has received the immunizations required.

Parents can obtain a Georgia School Immunization Record (Form 3231) from the child's private physician or local Cobb & Douglas Public Health Center locations. For children who have received vaccines outside of the state of Georgia, parents must submit their immunization records to be transferred. This can be completed online.

School Screenings (Hearing, Dental, Vision, & Nutrition Screening – Form 3300)

Cobb & Douglas Public Health also provides hearing, dental, vision and nutrition screenings to children. It is a requirement for parents to present this form to school authorities for children entering a Georgia school for the first time. The nutrition category measures height, weight, and body mass index (BMI).

Immunization Requirements for Children Entering 7th Grade

Seventh graders are required to have tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis (Tdap) and meningococcal (meningitis) vaccines prior to entering school. Children who are attending seventh grade and new entrants into Georgia schools in grades 8 through 12 must have received one dose of Tdap vaccine and one dose of meningococcal vaccine. "New entrant" means any child entering any school in Georgia for the first time or entering after having been absent from a Georgia.

Immunization Requirements for Children Entering 11th Grade

Children 16 years of age and older who are entering the 11th grade (including new entrants) must have received one booster dose of the meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MCV4), unless their initial dose was administered on or after their 16th birthday.

Immunization appointments are available online or via phone for the Marietta, Smyrna, Acworth-Kennesaw, and Douglas County locations. Walk-in appointments are accepted based on clinical availability.

Visit <https://cobbanddouglaspublichealth.com/services/immunizations/> for more information.

Children 1st Program

Children 1st is a statewide, free, voluntary initiative coordinated by the Georgia Department of Public Health and locally by Cobb & Douglas Public Health. Children 1st is the single point of entry for many programs for children (from birth to age 5) with developmental, social or medical needs. A public health nurse or case manager contacts the family and will make a virtual appointment or home visit to conduct developmental screenings and assist with family access to local medical services, social supports and community resources. These services are designed to support families with young children, promote child health/development, and positively influence school readiness.

Visit <https://cobbanddouglaspublichealth.com/programs/child-health/children-1st/> for more information.



Early Hearing Detection & Intervention

Georgia Department of Public Health and Cobb & Douglas Public Health partner with local hospitals to provide newborn hearing screening and follow-up care for all babies born in Cobb and Douglas counties who have referred or missed the initial screen, through the Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EDHI) Program. Cobb & Douglas Public Health offers screening for babies birth-3 months of age. If hearing loss is detected, the infant is referred for diagnostics testing and/or to early intervention services such as Babies Can't Wait.

Visit <https://cobbanddouglaspublichealth.com/programs/child-health/early-hearing-detection-and-intervention-program/> for more information.

Description of Child Health and Family Support Services

Children's Medical Services Program (For Children with Special Needs)

Children's Medical Services is a statewide program that supports children, youth and young adults (birth to 21 years of age) with special health care needs and their families. Children's Medical Services provides assistance to eligible families and young adults with accessing timely and affordable health care services, care coordination, as well as needed resources within their communities.

Children's Medical Services works with the child and young adult's primary and specialty medical providers to coordinate:

- Specialty medical appointments
- Durable medical equipment
- Prescription/medication assistance
- Medical supplies
- Diagnostic testing

Eligibility for the Children's Medical Services program is based on the following:

- Eligible medical condition
- Annual family income
- Live in Georgia

Examples of eligible medical conditions include, but are not limited to:

- Asthma, cystic fibrosis, and other lung disorders
- Select hearing disorders
- Neurological and neurosurgery disorders including seizures, benign tumors, hydrocephalus, and others
- Orthopedic and/or neuromuscular disorders including cerebral palsy, spina bifida, scoliosis, clubfeet, congenital or traumatic amputations of limbs, and others
- Visual disorders including cataracts, glaucoma, strabismus, and others
- Diabetes and other endocrine and genetic disorders
- Craniofacial anomalies (including cleft lip/palate)
- Congenital cardiac conditions

Transition Services: Children's Medical Services also provides resources and information for youth, families and health care professionals to support youth and young adults to successfully move from pediatric to adult care. Visit <https://dph.georgia.gov/child-health/preparing-teens-move-adult-care> for more information.

Visit <https://cobbanddouglaspublichealth.com/programs/child-health/childrens-medical-services/> for more information.

Babies Can't Wait

Babies Can't Wait (BCW) is a statewide, early intervention program for families with children (under the age of 3) with specific established or suspected developmental delays. BCW assists families in identifying needed resources and services within our community to meet a child's developmental needs. Agencies and individuals provide services from both the public and private sector that may include service coordination, speech, occupational, physical therapy and special instruction. Some services are at no cost to the family, while other services may require a cost participation from the family.

BCW utilizes an evaluation team to conduct selected screening tools and specific developmental evaluations to determine program eligibility. Once eligible, a coaching model is used guided by an Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP). The evaluation team writes the IFSP with information and input from the primary care physician, family, and any relevant therapists. This includes goals that would include any family goals, developmental goals, personal health care services and the provision of health care that support the identified developmental needs of the child. Therapists coach caregivers on how to implement strategies during normal routines and activities in the child's natural environment.

Visit <https://cobbanddouglaspublichealth.com/programs/child-health/babies-cant-wait/> for more information.



Description of Child Health and Family Support Services



SAFE KIDS

The SAFE KIDS Coalitions of Cobb and Douglas counties are non-profit, charitable organizations and networks of SAFE KIDS Worldwide (www.safekids.org), the first and only national organization dedicated solely to the prevention of unintentional childhood injury – the number one killer of children ages 14 and under.

SAFE KIDS Cobb County and SAFE KIDS Douglas County are led by Cobb & Douglas Public Health. Both Coalitions are committed to preventing and reducing injuries to children through education and by providing safety equipment to families in need.

The coalitions provide information and education on:

- Home safety, including safe sleep for infants
- Child passenger safety
- Poison prevention
- Water safety
- Bicycle safety
- Fire safety
- Pedestrian safety
- Youth Sports Safety

Child Safety Seat Inspection Station

SAFE KIDS Cobb & SAFE KIDS Douglas Coalitions provide free car seat education to help parents ensure their child's car and booster seats are installed and fit properly. Parents and caregivers are encouraged to schedule an appointment for assistance with installing their car seat.

Car Seats

Car seats are available at a reduced or free cost to Cobb County and Douglas County residents who are income eligible and those in need. To qualify, you must be a resident of the servicing county and a current recipient of a government assistance program (WIC, Medicaid or PeachCare) or meet income eligibility requirements. The program is limited to one car seat per child, and the seat is only issued to primary parents or caregivers who schedule an appointment to receive car seat education.



SAFE KIDS Cobb and Douglas Counties

<https://cobbanddouglaspublichealth.com/safe-kids/contact-safe-kids/>

Child Safety Seat Inspection Station

Cobb County Safety Village

1200 Al Bishop Drive

Marietta, GA 30008

(770) 852-3285

Child Safety Seat Inspection Station

Douglas Public Health Center

6770 Selman Drive

Douglasville, GA 30134

(770) 949-5155

Visit <https://app.10to8.com/book/atyqbhitwvgyfptuab/> to schedule an appointment.

Description of Family Planning and Support Services

Family Planning/Women's Health

The Family Planning Program helps families take responsibility for their future and the future of their children, which promotes healthy families and communities.

Family Planning staff provides education on contraception methods and devices. Services offered include: physical exams, breast cancer screening, cervical cancer screening, STI screening, and other contraceptive methods including IUDs.

Appointments are available online or via phone for the Marietta, Smyrna, Acworth-Kennesaw, and Douglas County locations. Walk-in appointments are accepted based on clinical availability.



Pregnancy Assistance

At Cobb & Douglas Public Health, several programs are offered to help women get started early with the care and guidance needed for a healthy pregnancy.

Prenatal Screening & Referral

- Clients assessed and screened for services to determine how we can best meet their needs during pregnancy
- Referrals for pregnancy testing
- Application assistance for Presumptive Eligibility Pregnancy Medicaid
- Referrals for Babies Born Healthy discount prenatal care services

Pregnancy Assistance (Continued)

Pregnancy Testing

- Walk-in service or by appointment
- Cost \$20 or sliding fee if patient of a Family Planning Program
- Prenatal counseling and referral follow-up pregnancy services are offered

Presumptive Eligibility Pregnancy Medicaid

- Pregnancy Medicaid provides immediate financial assistance for prenatal care.
- This type of Medicaid allows the eligible women to get started with medical care while waiting for final determination of eligibility for full Medicaid coverage by the Department of Family Children Services (DFCS).
- Prenatal women must meet the eligibility criteria based on their citizenship status and income requirement that does not exceed 220% of Federal Poverty Guidelines.

Perinatal Case Management

- Must be Medicaid eligible
- Counseling and education on pregnancy with a nurse
- Clients assisted with Medicaid problems and concerns
- Physician referrals provided for medically high-risk clients
- Referrals provided to community resources and programs such as WIC and Children's First
- Prescription provided for prenatal vitamins

Babies Born Healthy (BBH) Program

- This prenatal service is for pregnant women who do not have health insurance and are not eligible for Medicaid because of their citizenship status and/or income.
- Clients who are referred to our BBH program are expected to pay a minimal fee for prenatal services.
- CDPH contracts with doctors within Cobb and Douglas counties to provide high quality prenatal services at a reduced rate.
- BBH services are limited and cover routine prenatal visits and some lab work.
- Assistance in applying for Emergency Medicaid is offered after delivery.

Call the Marietta Public Health Center at (770) 514-2367 (Spanish) and (770) 514-2471 (English) or the Douglas Public Health Center at (770) 949-1970 (extension 2351). You can also come by the Marietta or Douglas Public Health location for prenatal screenings and Presumptive Medicaid applications. Bring proof of pregnancy, if possible, and your supporting documents (picture ID, proof of family income, and birth certificate or U.S. passport). Appointments can also be made on our website, <https://cobbanddouglaspublichealth.com/services/appointments/>.

Description of Family Planning and Support Services



Women, Infants & Children (WIC) Supplemental Nutrition Program

Georgia's Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) is currently the fifth largest program in the United States. CDPH provides services to participants in five clinics spread throughout Cobb and Douglas counties. WIC sees pregnant women, breastfeeding women until their infants' 1st birthday, postpartum women until their infants' 6 month birthday, and infants and children up to 5 years of age.

WIC is a nutrition program for Women, Infants and Children who have nutritional needs and are income eligible.

You may qualify for WIC if you:

- are pregnant, just had a baby, are breastfeeding a baby, or have small children under age 5
- have a moderately low family income, even if you work
- have a documented nutrition-related medical need
- live in Georgia

All the following WIC services are free:

- Nutrition assessment
- Nutrition education
- eWIC debit card for healthy foods
- Support for breastfeeding moms
- Referral to other health and social services

WIC Nutritional Assessment & Certification

- Program eligibility is based on income and nutritional risk assessment
- Income level has to be less than or equal to 185% of poverty level. (If you are on Medicaid you are considered to be income eligible)
- Clients must provide proof of identification, proof of address in the state of Georgia and proof of income.

Nutrition Class Topics

- Nutrition education on healthy foods and lifestyle modifications for a healthy body
- Basic education about physical activity guidelines
- Basic education about substitutes for screen time
- Breastfeeding classes – benefits of breastfeeding, risks of breast milk substitute use, preparation for breastfeeding success, latch, etc.

Nutrition Consultation

Nutrition assessment and counseling is completed with a Registered Dietitian for high risk nutrition conditions.

Breastfeeding Support

- Breastfeeding education and support is provided in group and individual clinic environments
- One-on-one consultations with a Loving Support Certified Breastfeeding Peer Counselor are available for participants
- Breast pumps are available to Cobb & Douglas WIC participants based upon need and availability

WIC foods provided:

- Whole Grains
- Fruits and Vegetables
- Beans
- Peanut Butter
- Eggs
- Cheese
- Tofu
- Milk (cow, lactose-free, or goat)
- Baby foods

WIC is open for all services at the following five locations: Acworth-Kennesaw, Douglas, Marietta, South Cobb and Smyrna. All clients are seen by appointment only.

Call the WIC Call Center at (770) 514-2389 for an appointment or visit the Georgia Gateway Customer Portal (<https://gateway.ga.gov/access/>) and someone will contact you.

There is some paperwork to be completed when you come to the WIC office. Please bring proof of income, proof of residency (street address in Georgia), and an ID card (passport, driver's license, U.S. military ID, state of Georgia ID, or foreign passport).



Community Health Prevention Programs

Our dedication to promoting wellness is a part of our commitment to community health. Our extensive outreach programs include information on balanced nutrition, regular exercise, and preventative care in an effort to encourage residents to lead healthy lifestyles.

Adolescent Health & Youth Development

The Adolescent Health & Youth Development program aims to empower youth, ages 10-19 to advocate for healthy life choices. Through collaborating with schools, faith-based organizations, non-profit organizations, and other government agencies, a network of community-based support has developed to help adolescents improve health outcomes and succeed as they move into adulthood.



Programs and services enhance life skills, healthy behaviors and activities, and reduce high-risk behaviors, such as violence, substance abuse, poor school performance, and sexual activity.

- **Personal Responsibility Education Program (PREP):** PREP is offered through a partnership between the Georgia Department of Public Health and the Georgia Department of Families and Children (DFCS). It is an evidence-based program designed to prevent unplanned teen pregnancies and STDs/HIV among youth, ages 10-19. The purpose of the program is intended to increase positive healthy relationship behaviors and increase the percentage of youth who abstain from or delay sexual intercourse.
- **Power in Truth Conference:** Power in Truth is a nationally-recognized youth development annual conference that aims to empower youth with techniques to help increase healthy behaviors, avoid drugs, tobacco, and alcohol, and overcome negative influences.

A variety of interactive, age-appropriate workshops, presentations, and activities designed to help parents, and other interested adults are available on:

- STI/HIV Prevention Education
- Abstinence Education & Teen Pregnancy Prevention
- Let's Talk Month Activities

For more information about the Adolescent Health & Youth Development programs, please contact (770) 432-7937.

Chronic Disease Prevention

Cobb & Douglas Public Health's (CDPH) Chronic Disease Prevention section provides education and support to schools and businesses interested in implementing new employee wellness programs or enhancing existing ones. With guidance from a Prevention and Wellness Coordinator, CDPH works collaboratively with organizations to develop a tailored wellness plan that meets their specific needs. Schools and organizations with existing wellness programs may elect to have a review of their program conducted to identify opportunities for improvement.

Steps to Implement an Employee Wellness Program

1. Conduct employee needs assessment
2. Define program goals
3. Create a wellness action plan

Benefits of an Employee Wellness Program



The Chronic Disease Prevention Team also focuses on increasing worksites with wellness policies and employee health promotion programs. We offer assistance in adapting policies and implementing or expanding wellness programs. Cobb & Douglas Public Health has proudly been acknowledged as one of Atlanta's Healthiest Employers since 2019.

For assistance in enhancing your employee wellness initiatives, reach out to the Chronic Disease Prevention Team at cdph.chronicdiseaseprevention@dph.ga.gov.

Community Health Prevention Programs

Tobacco & Vaping Use Prevention

Cobb & Douglas Public Health (CDPH) provides education and support for any school or business interested in creating stronger tobacco and vape policies. Under the advisement of a public health educator and planning specialist, CDPH will review the standing policy and strategically develop a 3-step plan to successfully transition into a smoke-free or tobacco-free workplace.

The 3-step plan includes:

1. Creating policy language
2. Forming a pre-adoption education campaign
3. Providing tobacco cessation resources

Benefits of comprehensive smoking policies:

- Reduces smoking
- Reduces secondhand smoke exposure
- Improves indoor air quality
- Improves health and quality of life
- Reduces absenteeism and healthcare costs
- Reduces risk of a fire incident
- Provides a supportive environment for people interested in quitting nicotine products



Georgia Tobacco Quit Line

The Georgia Tobacco Quit Line (GTQL) is a FREE public health service available to help Georgians quit smoking, vaping, and stop using all forms of nicotine products. GTQL partners with a national tobacco cessation vendor to provide telephone, text and web-based services. The service follows the United States Public Health Service Treating Tobacco Use and Dependence Clinical Practice Guidelines. For more information, please visit <https://dph.georgia.gov/readytoquit>.

Live Vape Free

Live Vape Free is a free, 24/7 text-based program specifically for youth and young adults ages 13 to 26 who want to quit vaping. It offers personalized support, quit tips, and access to nicotine replacement therapy (NRT) for those 18 and older who qualify. Learn more at <https://livevapefree.com/>.

For more information on policy development or to request brochures and informational handouts on tobacco-use, secondhand smoke, and quitting resources, please contact the Chronic Disease Prevention office at (770) 432-7937 or email cdph.chronicdiseaseprevention@dph.ga.gov.

Opioid Misuse Prevention

Cobb & Douglas Public Health (CDPH) recommends following the guidelines below to help prevent opioid misuse and addiction:

- Work with your doctor to create a plan on how to manage your pain.
- Always follow the prescribed directions.
- Follow up regularly with your doctor.
- Never take prescription opioids in greater amounts or more often than prescribed.
- If you miss a dose, do not take a double dose to catch up.
- Always let your doctor know about any side effects or concerns you may have about using opioids.
- Avoid taking opioids with alcohol and other substances or medications without your doctor's approval. It is very dangerous to combine opioids with other drugs, especially those that cause drowsiness:
 - Benzodiazepines (such as Xanax® and Valium®)
 - Muscle relaxants (such as Soma® or Flexeril®)
 - Hypnotics (such as Ambien® or Lunesta®)
 - Other prescription opioids
- Never use another person's prescription and do not share or sell your prescription opioids.
- Store prescription opioids in a secure place, out of reach of others (including children, family, friends, and visitors). A medication lockbox is a good option.
- Stop taking opioid medications as soon as your doctor agrees they are no longer needed.
- Dispose of any unused prescription opioids remaining at the end of your treatment
 - Medicine take back options are the best way to safely dispose of unused or expired prescription and nonprescription (for example, over the counter) medicines. To find a medicine take back location visit, <https://apps.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/pubdispsearch/spring/main?execution=e1s1>.

Naloxone is the opioid overdose reversal medication. To obtain a free naloxone kit, go to <https://georgiaoverdoseprevention.org/request-naloxone-kit/> or buy it at any pharmacy without a prescription.

Need help now?

If you are in crisis and need immediate help, please call the Georgia Crisis & Access Line (GCAL), available 24/7 at **1(800) 715-4225** or dial/text **988**.

If you are struggling and need someone to talk to, please call the CARES Warm Line at **1(844) 326-5400** toll-free from 8:30 AM - 11:00 PM. This number links to telephone support for individuals with a substance use disorder, mental illness or both provided by specially trained peers in long-term recovery.

Find Treatment

If you are looking for treatment services, please go to <https://findtreatment.gov/locator>.

Description of Environmental Health Services

The Center for Environmental Health provides services to evaluate and maintain community health and safety through the identification and abatement of environmental threats. Our thorough inspections and careful guidelines facilitate the monitoring of a variety of concerns that help keep Cobb and Douglas Counties healthy and safe.

The Center for Environmental Health provides guidelines/information on the following areas:

- Restaurant Scores for Cobb and Douglas Counties
- Tourist Accommodation and Swimming Pool Inspection Scores
- Environmental Health Fee Schedule
- Food Service
- Tattoos and Piercings
- Septic Systems
- Swimming Pools
- Environmental Health Complaint Form
- Foodborne Illness Complaint Form
- Food Safety Partnership Panels
- Verification of Residency Requirements for New Permit or New License Applicants
- Mobile Home Parks
- Hotels, Motels and Campgrounds

For more information, please visit <https://cobbanddouglaspublichealth.com/programs/environmental-health/>.

Inspection Scores

To search for inspection reports and scores for restaurants, tourist accommodations, and swimming pools across the state of Georgia visit, <https://ga.healthinspections.us/stateofgeorgia/>.

Environmental Health Locations

Cobb County Environmental Health

1738 County Services Parkway, 2nd Floor
Marietta, Georgia 30008
Phone: (770) 435-7815
Monday to Friday, 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Douglas County Environmental Health

4655 Timber Ridge Drive
Douglasville, GA 30135
Phone: (770) 920-7311
Monday to Friday, 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

For environmental health emergencies after business hours, please call (866) 782-4584

Public Health Complaints

The mission of the Nuisance Complaint program is to prevent the spread and transmission of disease and dangers to the community by ensuring that refuse removal, rodent and insect control, sewage leaks, on-site sewage management system failure and other dangers to public health are identified and abated.

Complaints are investigated related to:

- Restaurant, caterers, food trucks, and other food service facilities
- Public swimming pools
- Mosquitoes and rodents
- Garbage storage/disposal
- Hotels, motels, B&Bs, and campgrounds
- Tattoo/piercing studios and artists
- Indoor smoking at public places
- Septic system installation or failure
- Trailer parks

If the complaint does not fall under our authority, complainants are directed to external resources to remedy the problem (code enforcement, building inspections, etc.).

To report problems, please use our online complaint form at: <https://cobbanddouglaspublichealth.com/contact/environmental-health-complaint-form/> or call (770) 435-7815 for Cobb County and (770) 920-7311 for Douglas County for more information.



Description of Environmental Health Services

Low-Income Septic System Pump/Repair Project

This project, designed for low-income Cobb residents, aims to support regular septic tank maintenance, or repair if needed, thereby preventing system failures, protecting water quality, and ensuring a cleaner, healthier environment for all. Rental and commercial properties are not eligible to participate.

Proper septic tank maintenance is essential for the efficient operation of septic systems and managing household wastewater in many areas. Without regular pumping (recommended every 3-5 years), septic tanks can overflow, leading to costly repairs and potential environmental hazards. Additionally, many low-income homeowners may be having septic system malfunctions, but be unable to afford the repair. These malfunctions can create health risks for the family, their neighbors and the overall community.

Income-eligible primary Cobb homeowners who participate in the project will receive a subsidy of up to \$500 (based on actual cost of service), paid directly to the certified service provider, to complete their septic tank pumping. Upon inspection, if repairs are needed, the project will subsidize up to \$15,000 to repair the system or connect the home to local sewer. The project collaborates with certified local service providers to ensure that all septic tank pumping and repair meets all state and local requirements. Eligible services must occur by September 30, 2026, or until grant funds are exhausted.

Interested in Applying?

1. Complete the application online or download and print a PDF version. If you print the application, please mail it with the supporting documents to:

Cobb Environmental Health
Septic Pump/Repair Project
1650 County Services Parkway SW
Marietta, GA 30008

2. Once household income eligibility is verified, an Environmental Health Specialist will contact the homeowner to schedule inspections and select a certified vendor.

For more information visit, <https://cobbanddouglaspublichealth.com/programs/environmental-health/septic-systems/septic-tank-incentive-program/>.

Septic Tank Pump Water Bill Credit Program

Cobb & Douglas Public Health, through a generous American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) grant from Cobb County Government, is offering to assist Cobb County homeowners with the proper maintenance of their septic system. For the best operation, septic tanks should be pumped every 3-5 years.

Cobb residents can apply for up to a \$250 one-time water bill credit as an incentive for having the septic tank (at their owner-occupied primary residence*) pumped by a Georgia Department of Public Health approved Septic Tank Pumper Company. Eligible services must be completed by September 30, 2026, or when the grant funds are exhausted, whichever occurs first.

Who is eligible for the water bill credit?

To be eligible for the water bill credit, the home where the septic tank pumping service is performed must be an owner-occupied property serving as their primary residence, and the septic tank must be pumped by a Georgia Department of Health approved septic tank pumper company. The property must also receive water service from a participating provider (Cobb County Water System, Marietta Power & Water, City of Austell, and City of Smyrna).

How to apply for the water bill credit?

The preferred way to apply for a water bill credit is through the online application, but you can also download a fillable application and mail it with a copy of your septic tank pumping service receipt to:

Cobb Environmental Health
Water Bill Credit Request
1650 County Services Parkway
Marietta, GA 30008

For more information visit, <https://cobbanddouglaspublichealth.com/programs/environmental-health/septic-systems/septic-tank-pump-water-bill-credit/>.

If you have any questions about these programs, please contact CDPH Environmental Health at (770) 435-7815 or cdph.environmentalhealth@dph.ga.gov.



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