

## **Environmental Health Officers**

Interior Health Environmental Health Officers (EHO's) are responsible for regulating and monitoring many public facilities and those aspects of the environment that have a direct impact on public health. Many of our programs are legally mandated by the <u>Public Health Act</u>, <u>Drinking Water Protection Act</u> and <u>Environmental Management Act</u>.

EHO's conduct inspections of restaurants, food stores and food processing locations, swimming pools, hot tubs, and businesses providing personal services (such as hair salons, barbers and tattoo shops) to assure public health standards are met.

EHO's inspect and monitor regulated drinking water supplies to prevent the spread of water bourne diseases and ensure compliance with the <u>Drinking Water Protection Act</u> and <u>Regulations</u>.

In addition, Interior Health has programs that oversee tobacco and vaping enforcement, communicable disease control and on-site sewage management.

During emergencies, EHO's provide information to regulated facilities (i.e. food establishments, water systems, residential and childcare facilities) on clean-up and return to operations. This may include inspections when needed.

For more information please refer to the Interior Health website: <a href="https://www.interiorhealth.ca/information-for/businesses">https://www.interiorhealth.ca/information-for/businesses</a>.

Interior Health would like to recognize and acknowledge the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territories of the Dãkelh Dené, Ktunaxa, Nlaka'pamux, Secwépemc, St'át'imc, Syilx, and Tŝilhqot'in Nations where we live, learn, collaborate and work together.