

Santa Clara County Tuberculosis Screening Requirement for School Entrance Effective June 1, 2014

Military Base Medical Facility, including a chest x-ray, with documentation of these results on the risk assessment form and provided to the child's school.

6. This student left the county for an extended vacation. Do they still need a TB screening test?

If the student has extended travel (e.g., > 1 month) to a country other than the U.S., Canada, Australia, New Zealand, or a country in western or northern Europe with an elevated TB rate they should be evaluated for TB infection 8-10 weeks after they return but this will not be required for school re-entry. If the child has been residing outside of Santa Clara County for >12 months, the risk assessment must be completed again.

7. What is considered an adequate regimen for latent TB Infection?

Recommended treatment for latent TB infection is listed in the following table. Short-course regimens (rifampin daily for four months, 12-dose weekly isoniazid/rifapentine and Isoniazid and Rifampin for 3 months) are preferred (except in persons for whom there is a contraindication, such as a drug interaction or contact to a person with drug-resistant TB) due to similar efficacy and higher treatment completion rates as compared with 9 months of daily isoniazid. If a student was previously treated with 6 months of isoniazid for LTBI, this is also considered adequate treatment.

8. Where can I get more information?

Please visit our website Tuberculosis (TB) - Public Health Providers - County of Santa Clara (sccgov.org) or call County of Santa Clara Public Health Department TB Prevention & Control Program: (408) 792-1381.

Table 1.1 Treatment Regimens for Latent TB Infection for Children

Drug(s)	Duration	Dose	Frequency	Total Doses
Rifampin (RIF)	4 months	Children: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rifampin (RIF) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 15 – 20 mg/kg: max 600 mg 	Daily	120
Isoniazid (INH) and Rifapentine (RPT)	3 months	Children: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Isoniazid (INH) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ For Ages 12 and older it is 15 mg/kg rounded up to nearest 50 or 100 mg: max. 900 mg. ○ Ages 2-11: 25 mg/kg rounded up to nearest 50 mg or 100 mg: max. 900 mg. • Rifapentine (RPT) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 10.0-14.0kg 300mg ○ 14.1-25.0kg 450mg ○ 25.1-32.0kg 600mg ○ 32.1-50.0kg 750mg ○ >50kg: 900mg ○ Vitamin B6 50 mg weekly 	Once Weekly	12
Isoniazid (INH) and Rifampin (RIF)	3 months	Children: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Isoniazid (INH) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 10-20 mg/kg: max 300 mg • Rifampin (RIF) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 15-20 mg/kg: max 600 mg 	Daily	90
Isoniazid (INH)	9 months	Children: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Isoniazid (INH) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 10 mg/kg (range, 10-15 mg/kg): max 300 mg • Recommended pyridoxine dosage: 25 mg for school-aged children (or 1-2 mg/kg/day) 	Daily	270

*Short-course regimens (rifampin daily for four months or 12-dose weekly isoniazid/rifapentine or Isoniazid and Rifampin daily for 3 months) are preferred (except in persons for whom there is a contraindication, such as a drug interaction or contact to a person with drug-resistant TB) due to similar efficacy and higher treatment completion rates as compared with 9 months of daily isoniazid.

**Rifampin (RIF) is formulated as 150 mg and 300 mg capsules. Rifapentine (RPT) is formulated as 150 mg tablets in blister packs that should be kept sealed until usage. Isoniazid (INH) is formulated as 100 mg and 300 mg tablets.

References

American Academy of Pediatrics. Tuberculosis. In Kimberlin DW, Brady MT, Jackson MA, Long SS, eds. Red Book: 2018 Report of the Committee on Infectious Diseases. 31st ed. Itasca, IL: American Academy of Pediatrics; 2018: 829-853.

Pang J, Teeter LD, Katz DJ, et al. Epidemiology of Tuberculosis in Young Children in the United States. Pediatrics. 2014;133:494-504.

California Pediatric TB Risk Assessment and User Guide (September 2018)

(<https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/TB-Risk-Assessment.aspx>)

County of Santa Clara

Public Health Department

Administration
976 Lenzen Avenue, 2nd Floor
San José, CA 95126



April 15, 2014

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Santa Clara County continues to have one of the highest rates of tuberculosis (TB) in the United States. TB is a bacterial infection spread through the air and can affect the lungs, brain, bones, or any part of the body. Children can become infected when traveling, from household members, family, or visitors who are infected. Children exposed to someone with TB have a very high risk of developing active TB. If diagnosed early, TB is treatable and preventable.

Santa Clara County has required mandatory tuberculosis (TB) testing for students enrolling in school. However, **effective June 1, 2014, students enrolling into school will be required to undergo TB testing ONLY if their healthcare provider identifies a risk factor for TB exposure. Prior to school enrollment children will be required to have their healthcare provider complete the *Santa Clara County Public Health Department Risk Assessment for School Entry* form which is attached. Take this form to your provider to complete and return to your child's school.** This requirement applies to students attending both public and private schools in Santa Clara County and is based on the authority given the Santa Clara County Health Officer under the California Health and Safety Code, Section 121515.

This new policy will decrease unnecessary testing and allow healthcare providers to ensure that children who have TB infection are evaluated and treated promptly.

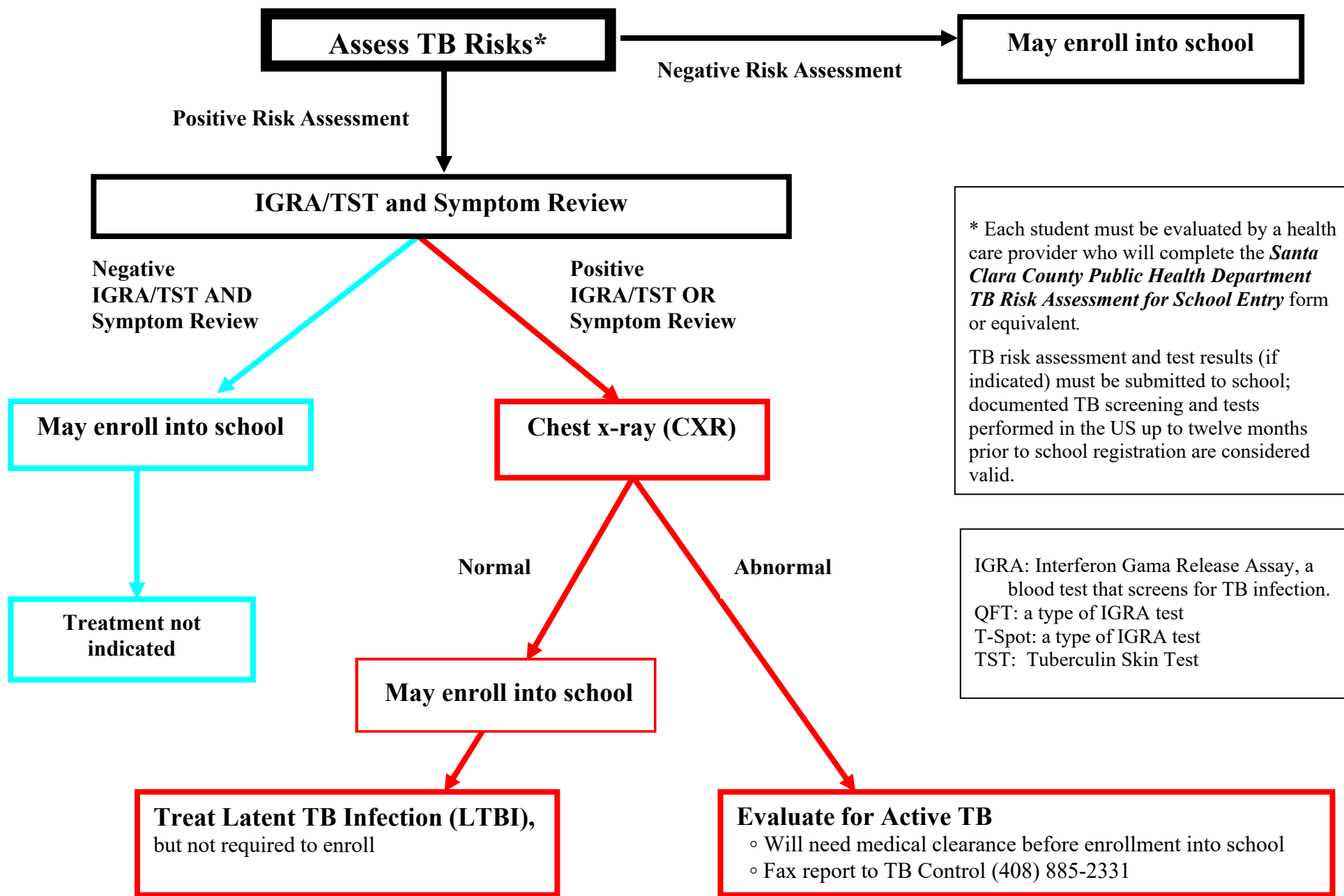
Thank you for helping us protect the health of your children.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Teb Al-Samarrai".

Teeb Al-Samarrai, MD
Tuberculosis Controller

SANTA CLARA COUNTY TB SCREENING REQUIREMENT FOR SCHOOL ENTRANCE (K-12) EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2014



* Each student must be evaluated by a health care provider who will complete the *Santa Clara County Public Health Department TB Risk Assessment for School Entry* form or equivalent.

TB risk assessment and test results (if indicated) must be submitted to school; documented TB screening and tests performed in the US up to twelve months prior to school registration are considered valid.

IGRA: Interferon Gama Release Assay, a blood test that screens for TB infection.
 QFT: a type of IGRA test
 T-Spot: a type of IGRA test
 TST: Tuberculin Skin Test

Interferon Gamma Release Assay (IGRA)

Provider Information and Guidelines for Interpretation

What is it?

Interferon Gamma Release Assays (IGRAs) are blood tests for detecting *M. tuberculosis* infection by measuring a person's immune response. White blood cells that recognize *M. tuberculosis* release interferon-gamma (IFN- γ) when mixed with peptide antigens that simulate *M.tb* proteins, including ESAT-6 and CFP-10. These proteins are not found in BCG strains and most non-tuberculous mycobacteria. IGRAs include the QuantiFERON and T-SPOT.TB tests.

A positive test can occur due to active tuberculosis (TB) disease or latent tuberculosis TB infection (LTBI). If not detected and treated, LTBI may later develop into TB disease.

What are the advantages of IGRA?

Prior BCG (Bacille Calmette-Guérin) vaccination does not cause a false-positive IGRA result.

Requires a single patient visit to conduct the test.

Does not boost responses for subsequent tests.

Less subject to reader bias and error when compared with the TST.

What are the disadvantages?

Errors in collecting or transporting the specimens or in running and interpreting the assay can decrease the accuracy of IGRAs.

Not recommended for children < 2 years old.

May be more expensive than a TST.

When should I use IGRA?

IGRAs are the preferred TB screening test in the following situations:

- Patients \geq 2 years old who have received a BCG vaccine.
- Patients unlikely to return for the TST reading.

When should I use both a TST and IGRA?

For immunocompromised patients consider performing both tests and utilizing any positive result as evidence of infection.

Is IGRA covered by Medi-Cal?

YES! As of March 1, 2014, Medi-Cal removed the age restriction on Medi-Cal reimbursement of IGRA tests for children under 5 years old.

How do you interpret IGRA test results?

Negative: Same interpretation as a negative TST. A negative TST or IGRA does not rule out active TB disease in a patient with symptoms or signs of TB disease; they should be evaluated with a CXR and sputum AFB smears/cultures/nucleic acid amplification testing.

Positive: Same interpretation as positive TST. Medical evaluation, including a chest x-ray, is needed to evaluate for TB disease. If there are no symptoms or signs of TB disease and the CXR is normal, treatment for latent TB infection should be provided.

Indeterminate: Uninterpretable. Repeat IGRA or place TST per patient and provider preference.

Can IGRAs be done at the same time as receiving vaccinations?

Similar to TST, live virus vaccines (e.g., MMR, varicella) might affect IGRA test results. CDC recommends that both TST and IGRA testing in the context of live vaccine administration be done as follows:

- Either on the same day as vaccination with the live virus vaccine, OR
- At least 4 weeks after administration of the live virus vaccine.

Additional Information

CDC. Updated Guidelines for Using Interferon Gamma Release Assays to Detect *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* Infection - United States, 2010. *MMWR*. 2010; 59 (No.RR-5).

County of Santa Clara Public Health Department Tuberculosis Prevention & Control Program

www.sccphd.org/tb

Phone: 408-792-1381

Screening for TB Infection in Santa Clara County

ALVISO

- **Gardner Health Services- Alviso Clinic***
1621 Gold St., Alviso CA 95002
1(408) 457-7100
Mon-Fri: 8am- 5pm *Appointment Only*
Price: Sliding Fee Scale based on income
[Alviso Health Center – Gardner Health Services](#)

GILROY

- **Foothills Community Health Center- Gilroy Clinic***
9460 No Name Uno, Suite 110
Gilroy, CA 95020
1(408) 797-7900
Mon-Fri 8am-10pm, Sat-Sun 8am-5pm
Price: Sliding Fee Scale based on income
- **Foothills Community Health Center- Glen View Elementary School Clinic***
480 West 8th Street, Suite 104 Gilroy CA 95020
1(408) 729-9700
Mon-Fri 9am-6pm (Closed on School Breaks)
Price: Sliding Fee Scale based on income
- **Gardner Health Services- South County Clinic***
7526 Monterey St., Gilroy, CA 95020
1(408)457-7100
Mon-Fri: 8am- 5pm *Appointment Only*
Price: Sliding Fee Scale based on income
[Gardner South County Health Center – Gardner Health Services](#)

MOUNTAIN VIEW

- **MayView Mountain View Clinic**
900 Miramonte Ave. 2nd floor,
Mountain View, CA 94040
1(650) 327-8717
Mon-Fri 8am-5pm (Closed 12-1pm)
Price: Sliding Fee Scale based on income
[Home NEW - Ravenswood Family Health Network \(ravenswoodfhn.org\)](#)
- **Planned Parenthood, Mountain View***
2500 California Street Mountain View, CA 94040
1(650)948-0807
Mon - Fri 9am-5:30pm
Price: Sliding Fee Scale based on income
[Birth Control, STD Testing & Abortion - Mountain View, CA \(plannedparenthood.org\)](#)

PALO ALTO

- **MayView Palo Alto Clinic***
270 Grant Ave., Palo Alto, CA 94306
1(650) 327-8717
Mon-Fri: 8am-5pm
Price: Sliding Fee Scale based on income
[Home NEW - Ravenswood Family Health Network \(ravenswoodfhn.org\)](#)

SAN JOSE

- **Asian Americans for Community Involvement (AACI)***
2400 Moorpark Ave., #319, San Jose, CA 95128
1(408) 975-2763
Mon-Fri 8:30am-5:30pm, *Appointment Only*
(Closed 12:30pm -1:30pm)
Price: Sliding Fee Scale based on income
Only for established patients or patients looking to establish care.
[Essential Health Services | Serving the Marginalized | AACI](#)
- **BAY AREA COMMUNITY HEALTH – BACH SCHOOL-BASED CLINICS** [Bay Area Community Health \(bach.health\)](#)
- **Andrew Hill SB Health Clinic***
3200 Senter Rd., Rm S104, San Jose, CA 95111
1(408) 347-4240
Mon-Fri 7:30am-4pm (Closed 11:30am-12pm)
- **Independence High School Clinic***
617 North Jackson Ave. (Side Building N1)
San Jose, CA 95133
1(408) 928-9599
Mon-Thu 8am-12pm
Price: Sliding Fee Scale based on income
- **Mount Pleasant High School Clinic***
1650 S. White Rd., San Jose, CA 95127
1(408) 729-9700
Mon-Sat 8am-5pm (Closed 12-1pm)
Price: Sliding Fee Scale based on income
- **Silver Creek High School Clinic***
3434 Silver Creek Rd., Room M1,
San Jose Ca 95121
1(408) 729-9700
Mon-Thu 1-5pm
Price: Sliding Fee Scale based on income

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Santa Clara County Public Health Department Tuberculosis Prevention & Control Program - (408) 792-1381

Child Health and Disability Prevention (CDPH) Program: 1(800) 689-6669

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[BAY AREA COMMUNITY HEALTH – BACH SCHOOL-BASED CLINICS](#) [Bay Area Community Health \(bach.health\)](#)

- **Yerba Buena High School Clinic***
1855 Lucretia Ave., San Jose, CA 95122
1(408) 347-4751
Tues-Fri 9am-1pm
Price: Sliding Fee Scale based on income
- **Bay Area Community Health Family Clinic***
1066 South White Rd., San Jose, CA 95127
1(408) 729-9700 Appointments only
M/T/Th/F 8am-5pm, Wed 10am-7pm
Sun (second of the month) 8am-5pm
Price: Sliding Fee Scale based on income
- **Bay Area Community Health Monterey Clinic***
5504 Monterey Highway, San Jose, CA 95138
1(408) 729-9700
M/W/Th/F 8am-5pm, Tues 10am-7pm
Sat 8am-5pm
Price: Sliding Fee Scale based on income
- **Bay Area Community Health Montpelier Clinic***
2380 Montpelier Dr., #200, San Jose, CA 95116
1(408) 729-9700
Mon/Wed-Fri 8am-5pm, Tues 10am-7pm
Sat (first of the month) 8am-5pm
Price: Sliding Fee Scale based on income
- **Bay Area Community Health Story Clinic***
2880 Story Rd., San Jose CA 95127
1(408) 792-9700
Mon-Fri 8am-5pm
Price: Sliding Fee Scale based on income

[GARDNER HEALTH CENTERS](#) [Gardner Health Services – Medical Center San Jose | San Jose Clinic – Community Health Services](#)

- **Gardner Health Center- CompreCare Clinic***
3030 Alum Rock Ave., San Jose, CA 95127
1(408) 457-7100
Mon-Fri 8:30am-4:30pm *Appointment Only*
Price: Sliding Fee Scale based on income
- **Gardner Health Center- Downtown Center***
725 E. Santa Clara St., San Jose, CA 95112
1(408) 457-7100
Mon-Fri 8:30am - 4:30pm *Appointment Only*
Price: Sliding Fee Scale based on income.

- **Gardner Health Center- Gardner Clinic***
195 E. Virginia St., San Jose CA 95112
1(408) 457-7100
Mon-Fri 8:30am-4:30pm *Appointment Only*
Price: Sliding Fee Scale based on income
- **Gardner Health Center- St. James Health Ctr.***
55 East Julian St., San Jose, CA 95112
1(408) 457-7100
Mon-Fri 8am-5pm *Appointment Only*
Price: Sliding Fee Scale based on income

[Indian Health Center of Santa Clara Valley](#)
[Indian Health Center of Santa Clara Valley - Indian Health Center](#)

- **Indian Health Center- Miridian Main Campus***
1333 Meridian Ave., San Jose CA 95125
1(408) 960-0660
Mon & Fri 8am-5pm, Tues-Thurs 8am-7pm
Price: Sliding Fee Scale based on income
New Patients Please Call for an Appointment.
- **Indian Health Center-Family Medicine Center at O'Connor***
455 O'Connor Dr. Ste. 200, San Jose CA 95128
1(408) 283-7676
Mon - Fri 8am-5pm
Price: Sliding Fee Scale based on income
New Patients Please Call for an Appointment.
- **Indian Health Center- Pediatrics***
2039 Forest Ave. Suite 105, San Jose CA 95128
1(408) 947-2929
Mon-Fri 8am-5pm
Services provided up to 18 years of age.
Price: Sliding Fee Scale based on income
New Patients Please Call for an Appointment.
- **Indian Health Center- Silver Creek***
1642 E Capitol Expressway, San Jose, CA 95121
1(408) 445-3431
Mon, Thu, Fri 8am-5pm
Tues, Wed 8am-7pm
Sat (appointment only) 8am-12pm
Price: Sliding Fee Scale based on income
New Patients Please Call for an Appointment.

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- **Northeast Medical Services- NEMS***
1870 Lundy Ave., San Jose, CA 9131
1(408) 573-9686
Price: Sliding Fee Scale based on income
<https://nems.org/business-providers/san-jose-1870-lundy-clinic/>
- **Santa Clara Valley Health & Hospital System Valley Connections***
1(888) 334-1000
Mon- Fri 7am – 7pm
Sat - Sun 8am – 4:30pm
[Schedule Appointment | Santa Clara Valley Medical Center \(scvh.org\)](#)

[PLANNED PARENTHOOD Birth Control, STD Testing & Abortion - San Jose, CA \(plannedparenthood.org\)](#)
- **Planned Parenthood, Blossom Hill Health Ctr.***
5440 Thornwood Dr., #G, San Jose, CA 95123
1(408) 281-9777
Mon - Fri 8:40am- 5pm
Price: Sliding Fee Scale based on income
- **Planned Parenthood, Mar Monte Clinic***
2470 Alvin Ave., #60, San Jose CA 95121
1(408) 274-7100
Mon - Fri 8:30am-5pm
Price: Sliding Fee Scale based on income
- **Planned Parenthood, San Jose Clinic***
1691 The Alameda, San Jose, CA 95126
1(408) 287-7526
Mon/Wed/Fri 8:30am – 5pm
Tues 8am-5pm
Thurs 7:30am – 5pm
Sat 8am – 4:30pm
Price: Sliding Fee Scale based on income

SCHOOL HEALTH CLINICS OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY

<http://www.schoolhealthclinics.org/clinic-locations.html>

- **Gilroy Neighborhood Clinic* (Ages 0-24)**
9300 Wren Avenue, Gilroy, CA 95020
1(408) 842- 1017
Mon 10am-6:30pm (closed 2-3pm)
Tu-Th 8:30am-5pm (closed 12:30- 1:30pm)
Fri 8am-4:30pm (closed 12-1pm)
Price: Sliding Fee Scale based on income
- **Overfelt Neighborhood Health Clinic***
1835 Cunningham Ave., San Jose, CA 95122
1(408) 347-5988
Mon 9am-5:30pm (closed 1-2pm)
Tu-Fri 8am-4:30pm (closed 12-1pm)
Price: Sliding Fee Scale based on income
- **San Jose High Neighborhood Clinic* (Ages 0-24)**
1149 E. Julian St., Bldg. H,
San Jose, CA 95116
1(408) 535-6001
Mon 10am-6:30pm (closed 2-3pm)
Tu-Thurs 8am-4:30pm (closed 12-1pm)
Price: Sliding Fee Scale based on income
- **Washington Neighborhood Health Clinic***
100 Oak Street Room F-3,
San Jose, CA 95110
1(408) 295-0980
Mon-Fri 8am-4:30pm (closed 12-1pm)
Price: Sliding Fee Scale based on income
- **Franklin- McKinley Neighborhood Clinic* (Ages 0-24)**
645 Wool Creek Dr., San Jose, CA 95112
1(408) 283-6051
Mon,Wed-Fri 8am-4:30pm (closed 12-1pm)
Tues 8:30am-5pm (closed 12:30-1:30pm)
Price: Sliding Fee Scale based on income
- **Garden Alameda Neighborhood Health Clinic (Ages 0-24)**
855 Lenzen Ave, San Jose, CA 95126
(408)535-4729
Mon- Fri 9am – 4pm

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