

Santa Cruz County 2003 Health Almanac

Chronic Kidney Disease See: [Disabilities and Secondary Conditions](#)

Agencies and Information Sources

Santa Cruz County (SCC) Health Services Agency - <http://www.santacruzhealth.org/>

The Health Services Agency (HSA) exists to protect and improve the health of the people in Santa Cruz County. The Agency provides programs in Environmental Health, Public Health, Medical Care, Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment, and Mental Health.

California Department of Health Services - <http://www.dhs.ca.gov/default.htm>

To Protect and Improve the Health of All Californians

California Health Interview Survey - <http://www.chis.ucla.edu/index.html>

The California Health Interview Survey (CHIS) is the largest state health survey conducted in the United States. Every two years, CHIS plans to collect information on the health and health care needs of California's diverse population.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention- <http://www.cdc.gov/default.htm>

CDC's Mission is to promote health and quality of life by preventing and controlling disease, injury, and disability.

National Kidney Foundation <http://www.kidney.org/>

Mission Statement:

The National Kidney Foundation, Inc., a major voluntary health organization, seeks to prevent kidney and urinary tract diseases, improve the health and well-being of individuals and families affected by these diseases, and increase the availability of all organs for transplantation.

Goals of the National Kidney Foundation:

- Supporting Research and Research Training
- Continuing Education of Health Care Professionals
- Expanding Patient Services and Community Resources
- Educating the Public
- Shaping Health Policy
- Fund Raising

Kidney/Bladder Disorders

(All figures are for U.S.)

Approximately 2.8 million American Adults have been told they have Kidney Trouble (1997)

More Females Suffer From Kidney Disease than Men (1997)

There Are Over 37,000 Deaths Annually From Kidney Disease in the United States (2000)

<http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/fastats/kidbladd.htm>