



# Media Release

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## **Yakima Health District Hiring Local Health Officer to Serve as Chief Medical Officer**

**Yakima, WA-** The Yakima Health District is looking to hire a Local Health Officer who will serve as Chief Medical Officer for the agency. Dr. Neil Barg, who has served as Health Officer for the past four years, is retiring from the role. During the recruitment process, Dr. Dave Atteberry is serving as the interim Health Officer.

This key leadership role involves providing medical and public health expertise, offering policy guidance and recommendations, and engaging in strategic collaboration with community partners and stakeholders to address public health issues in Yakima County.

The Local Health Officer must have thorough knowledge of both medical and public health policies and procedures related to the practice of medicine. The position requires providing medically accurate, scientifically proven advice or guidance, identifying public health priorities and emerging trends, and effectively communicating health data and information in a variety of settings.

Residency in Yakima County is required.

Interested candidates should submit a **letter of interest and resume** to **Victoria Reyes, Executive Assistant**, at [Victoria.Reyes@co.yakima.wa.us](mailto:Victoria.Reyes@co.yakima.wa.us) by **noon on Monday, June 23, 2025**.

### **Quote**

“I want to thank Dr. Neil Barg for his service. We recognize his commitment to our community and his dedication to protecting the health of Yakima County residents. His leadership has helped

guide the Health District through complex public health challenges." -Andre Fresco, Executive Director, Yakima Health District

**Additional Information**

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