



Located in the heart of the redwoods, our 775 square mile service area has a population of about 10,365 full-time residents that can grow to over 30,000 during summer months. With strong community support, SHCHD works to assure quality healthcare for residents and visitors alike.

## ELIGIBILITY

How do I know I can access VNP services and if they are right for me?

Only a physician may order home health services and certify other eligibility criteria are met (medically necessary and homebound status). The physician must have seen the person needing care within 90 days prior to or within 30 days of, the start of home health.

VNP program referrals will be reviewed for qualifying criteria and accepted on a case-by-case basis.

Upon approval, an appointment will be scheduled to complete an in-depth assessment of current health status. Once completed, the visiting nurse will develop a plan of care in consultation with the physician and care recipient. Once approved, the VNP can provide services

# VISITING NURSE PROGRAM

A new at-home health care experience for you in Southern Humboldt



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# HOME HEALTH SERVICE

The visiting nurse program (VNP) serves those who are homebound and have home care service needs that are medically reasonable and necessary to the treatment of an illness or injury.

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### OUR SERVICES INCLUDE:

- Patient and family education of disease process
- Management and evaluation of patient care plan
- Medication education and management
- Home safety and emergency education
- Wound care and dressing changes
- Gastrostomy
- Tracheostomy Care
- Catheter Care
- Enteral and Parenteral Nutrition
- Injections and Venipuncture
- IV Therapy
- Ostomy Care
- Pain Management
- Diabetic Care
- Nutritional Support

### ✓ HOW DO I GET STARTED?

To ensure that VNP services are right for you, talk to your doctor about your home health needs and ask about VNP services.

### ✓ WHO DO I CONTACT?

Make an appointment with your doctor. If VNP services are right for you, contact VNP services at Southern Humboldt Community Clinic by calling **(707) 923-3921, ext. 273** and ask to speak to a VNP nurse.

### ✓ ARE VNP SERVICES COVERED BY INSURANCE?

Contact your insurance company to verify VNP services are covered. Ask the VNP nurse if your insurance is accepted at SHCHD.

*“VNP services allow us to really enhance and broaden the services we have available through SHCHD. I think its just what our community needs.”*

**Julie Moore,**  
SHCHD VNP and Clinic Nurse Manager