

**LINCS/CHAIN  
Member Sign Up Form**

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**LINCS  
And  
CHAIN**

**Creating and Supporting  
Community Partnerships**



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## What is LINCS?

LINCS stands for the Local Information Network and Communication System. It is an internet based electronic information system which supports the dissemination of public health information between federal, state and local healthcare communities.

## What is CHAIN?

CHAIN is the Community Health Alert and Information Network. Developed by the Cape May County Department of Health, the CHAIN connects the Health Department with community partners established throughout our county. Through the CHAIN, important public health information can be collected and disseminated very rapidly via fax, e-mail and by telephone.

The Health Department operates the CHAIN on 24/7 basis. This allows CHAIN members to receive the most accurate and up-to date information.

## What information is disseminated?

The information disseminated through the CHAIN includes health alerts, advisories and updates provided by state and federal health agencies.

These messages are generally provided to our local healthcare and public safety communities.

The Health Department also disseminates general health information necessary to improve the health and well-being of Cape May County residents.

This includes information about:

- Services and programs provided at the Health Department
- Health education and training opportunities
- Food recalls
- Local health trends and statistics
- Volunteer opportunities
- Public Health and other emergencies

This information is provided to all CHAIN participants.

## Who participates in the CHAIN?

The CHAIN currently consists of over 1,000 community partners. CHAIN participants include local government officials, public health and safety professionals, veterinarians, local healthcare providers, local businesses, schools and educational institutes, and community and civic organizations.

## Why Join the CHAIN?

The benefits of being a CHAIN participant include:

- Receiving up-to-date, timely and accurate information.
  - Receiving information that helps you make informed decisions about your health and well-being.
  - Ability to easily communicate with the Health Department and other community partners.
  - Serving as a key communicator to the citizens of Cape May County.
- Join now by completing and returning the form provided in this pamphlet.