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CHEMICAL HAZARDS PROGRAM

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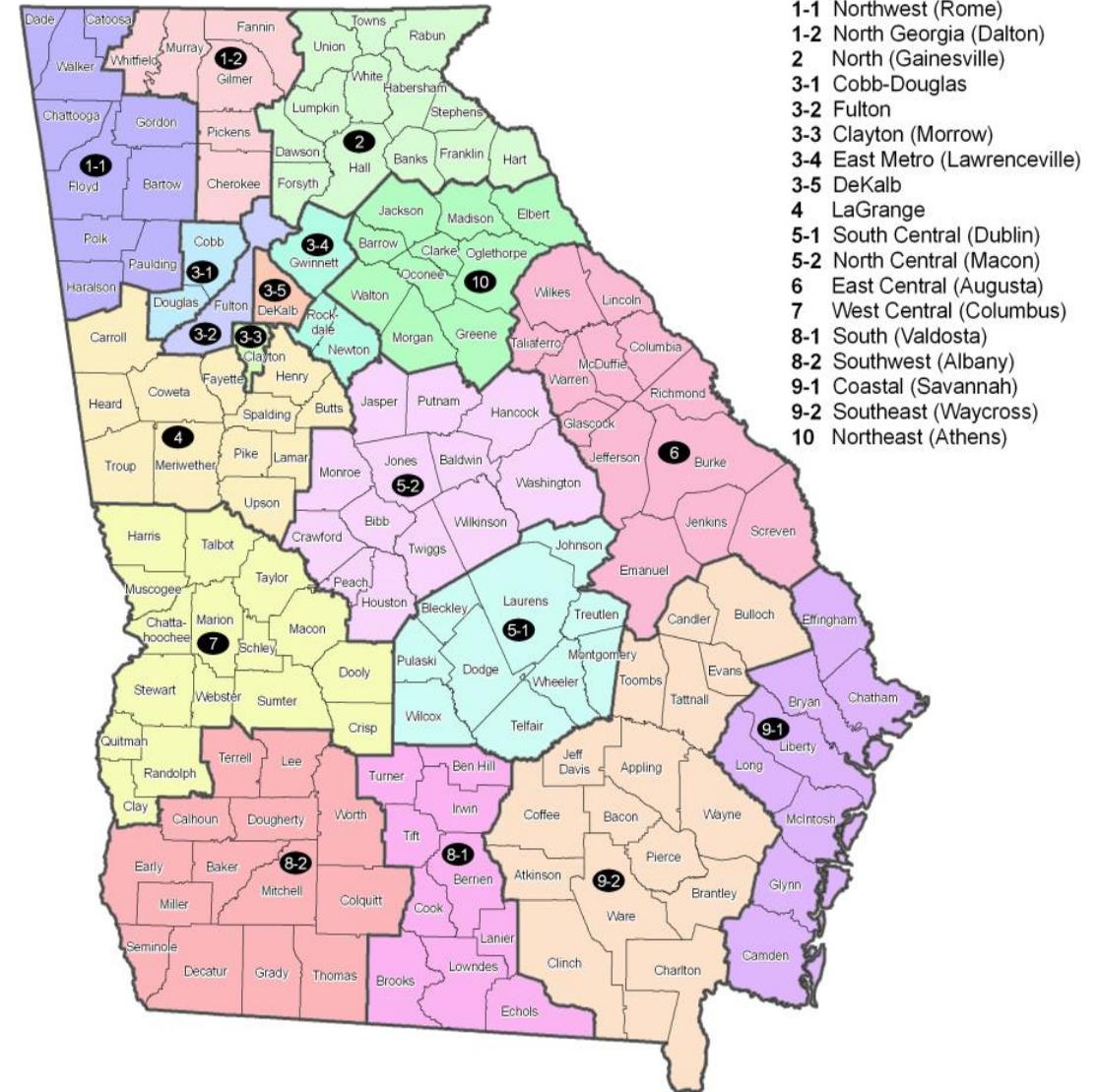
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Environmental Health Section



Georgia Public Health Districts



Environmental Health is the Foundation of Public Health

The Georgia Department of Public Health is the lead agency entrusted by the people of Georgia with the ultimate responsibility for the health of communities and the entire population. Environmental Health (EH) provides primary prevention through activities that identify, prevent and abate the environmental conditions that adversely affect human health. EH Specialists in Georgia use their scientific education and training to investigate, evaluate, and eliminate environmental conditions harmful to people and communities.

What is the Chemical Hazards Program?

The Chemical Hazards Program is staffed by EH Specialists who investigate exposure to chemicals in the environment. We perform hazardous waste site assessments, investigate health complaints, promote community involvement activities, and provide health education and professional training. Chemical Hazards Professionals collaborate with local, state, and federal agencies, organizations, and advocacy groups to inform and educate the public regarding environmental exposure pathways and related health effects, and exposure prevention.

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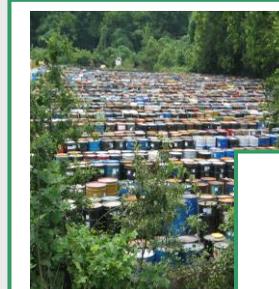
Protecting the health and promoting the quality of life of Georgians through the prevention of exposure to toxic chemicals in the environment.

Program Goals

- Identify people at risk for exposure
- Examine relationships between exposure and disease
- Reduce/eliminate exposures

Activities include:

- Public Health Consultations
- Health Studies
- Health Education
- Community Involvement
- Professional Training
- Technical Assistance
- Risk Communication
- GIS Mapping
- Health Promotion
- Household Hazardous Waste Reduction



Chemical Hazards Program Internships

The Chemical Hazards Program Internship Program prepares college students for careers in Public Health. Each internship is uniquely designed based upon a student's personal interests, abilities, career goals, and academic requirements. By participating in the Internship Program, students:

- Develop a balance between academic foundations and practical experiences in public health.
- "Try out" working relationships—have a chance to build references and experience, and help get meaningful work done.
- Create a positive presence for the Division of Public Health as it relates to academic institutions in Georgia.

Qualifications

The required qualifications for the Internship Program are:

- Enrollment in an accredited four-year college or university in Georgia
- At least 40 quarter hours (or 27 semester hours) in laboratory sciences (e.g., chemistry, biology).
- A strong interest or experience in Environmental Health or a closely related field is preferred.

For more information about internships with the Chemical Hazards Program, contact us at 404.657.6534.