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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

ON-SITE SERVICES TO RESUME FOLLOWING KINGS COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH STRUCTURE FIRE

HANFORD, CA (May 03, 2024) – The Kings County Department of Public Health (KCDPH) announced today that limited services would resume on-site beginning Monday, May 6th, 2024 following a fire that damaged several buildings and structures early this week. Effective Monday, May 6, 2024, members of the community will be able to access services in the KCDPH Annex Building Room 505 located at 330 Campus Drive, Hanford, 93230. Hours of operation will remain the same: Monday through Thursday, 8:00AM-5:00PM and Friday, 8:00AM-12:00PM.

AVAILABLE PUBLIC HEALTH CLINIC SERVICES:

- Childhood/Adult Immunizations
- Tuberculosis Screening
- Appointments are recommended, please call (559) 584-1401

AVAILABLE NON-CLINICAL SERVICES:

- Birth and Death Certificates
- Processing New Food Permits & Renewals
- Mobile Food Facility Inspections (Appointment Only)
- Appointments are recommended, please call (559) 584-1411

KCDPH closed its doors to the public on Monday April 29, 2024 due to a structure fire that occurred early that morning causing extensive damage to the Public Health clinic, laboratory, and administrative offices. Limited services continued during the week by appointment only as Public Health staff worked to re-establish services. The City of Hanford Fire Department is the lead agency in fire suppression and investigation. As of today, the final investigative report has not been released, though it is expected to be ready by Monday, May 6, 2024. The report will be available for public records from the City of Hanford.

"Public health department staff worked swiftly to establish an alternate plan to make these essential services available" said Rose Mary Rahn, Director of KCDPH. "We appreciate everyone's patience and understanding as we continue to assess the impact to our department and plan accordingly."

Appointments are encouraged, though walk-ins will be accepted. Clients will be directed by signage on the health department property when entering the parking lot. Until further notice, the Department is only accepting cash and check payments and asks that the public plan accordingly. Updates will be posted on the department's website and social media accounts as additional information and services become available.

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