

# **Harm Reduction**

Casa de Salud has a harm reduction program based at the clinic, since 2005. Anyone is welcome to drop in for services during our open hours, Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm. We are grateful to the New Mexico Department of Health for funding this program.

Services include (for drug users and for people who love drug users):

- - Syringe exchange (exchange used needles for new needles). This service is anonymous. We dispose of the used needles.
- - Narcan distribution (anyone can come get free narcan, the powerful lifesaving opioid overdose reversal drug that can save lives in the community). We provide quick education and dispense this tool for free.
- - Fentanyl test strips drug users can pick up free fentanyl test strips to test their supply and therefore stay away from fentanyl containing drugs.
- - Various supplies to use more safely

NOTE: The syringe exchange is NOT for people who are using needles for medical prescription purposes. These syringes are incinerated because of potential for infectious agents, and people who use needles for diabetes, testosterone administration, and otherwise, can throw their syringes in the trash (inside a hard plastic bottle like a laundry detergent bottle, with tape on it stating there are needles inside). We do not want to burn syringes that do not need to be incinerated, and further affect the environment.

### Details

Genders: Females LGBTQ Males Intake Process: Walk-In

#### Services

Public Health Substance Abuse Services

### Locations

1608 Isleta Blvd SW Albuquerque, NM 87105

**Phone:** (505) 907-8311 **Hours:** Mon/Tues/Thurs 9 - 5; Wed/Fri 8 - 12:00 noon

## **Parent Organization**

## Casa de Salud

The mission of Casa de Salud (Casa) is to promote the development and sustenance of individuals and organizations that provide health services, health literacy, community health promotion, health leadership development, health advocacy and health system change. Casa interweaves traditional and conventional medicines to meet the physical and spiritual health needs of its patients in a welcoming, just, creative, and inclusive environment, providing fair priced health care to anyone in need, and promoting a learning and leadership development environment for practitioners, staff, volunteers, patients and clients.

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