The Health Protection Service, formerly the Communicable Disease Control Centre (CDCC) in the PHA, has a lead role in protecting the population from infection and environmental hazards through a range of core functions including surveillance and monitoring, operational support and advice, education, training and research.

The Health Protection Service is delivered by a multi-disciplinary team of doctors, nurses, emergency planners, and scientific, surveillance and administrative staff.

The service coordinates its acute response functions from the health protection duty room which is located at the PHA Eastern Office in Linenhall Street, Belfast. This is the first point of call for health professionals and other agencies regarding all health protection incidents/queries during working hours.

Multi-disciplinary, consultant-led health protection teams have been developed around key work areas, as reflected on this website. Surge capacity for major incident response is provided by a range of staff from across the PHA.

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