

PUBLIC HEALTH MODERNIZATION

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PUBLIC HEALTH = POPULATION BASED HEALTH SCIENCES

- ⦿ “Activities that society undertakes to assure the conditions in which people can be healthy. This includes organized community efforts to prevent, identify, and counter threats to the public.”
 - ⦿ Institute of Medicine, 1988

WHAT IS PUBLIC HEALTH MODERNIZATION?

- ⦿ Partnership
- ⦿ What every Iowan should expect
- ⦿ Iowa Public Health Standards
- ⦿ Public Health Modernization Act
- ⦿ Voluntary Accreditation
- ⦿ Aligning code and administrative code with Modernization

A BRIEF HISTORY

- ◉ 2003 - Regional visits
- ◉ 2004 - Redesign Work Group formed
- ◉ 2005-2006 - Local standards written
- ◉ 2006-2007 - State standards written
- ◉ 2008-2009 - Implementation committees
- ◉ May 2009 - Public Health Modernization Act
- ◉ September 2009 - Public Health Advisory Council and Evaluation Committee begin
- ◉ March 2010 - Revisions to Iowa Code Chapter 137

WHAT IS PUBLIC HEALTH?

(WHAT SHOULD ALL IOWANS EXPECT?)







IOWA PUBLIC HEALTH STANDARDS

- ◉ Governance
- ◉ Administration
- ◉ Workforce
- ◉ Communication & Information Technology
- ◉ Community Assessment & Planning
- ◉ Evaluation
- ◉ Prevent Epidemics & the Spread of Disease
- ◉ Protect Against Environmental Hazards
- ◉ Prevent Injuries
- ◉ Promote Healthy Behaviors
- ◉ Prepare for, Respond to, and Recover from Public Health Emergencies

PUBLIC HEALTH MODERNIZATION ACT

- ⦿ Developed by a committee of local and state public health practitioners
- ⦿ 3 components:
 1. Public Health Advisory Council
 2. Public Health Evaluation Committee
 3. Voluntary Accreditation System

ADVISORY COUNCIL

- The Public Health Advisory Council strives to ensure that everyone in Iowa has access to the same level of quality public health services.
 - Accreditation
 - Communications
 - Metrics
 - Chart of Accounts
- Frank Magsamen - Black Hawk Co.
- Jeff Heland - Des Moines Co.

EVALUATION COMMITTEE

- Evaluate Iowa's governmental public health system and voluntary accreditation program to assess the impact on population health outcomes.
 - Public health data
 - Evaluation of the public health system
 - Baseline data Iowa Public Health Standards
- Health economist and research analyst

VOLUNTARY ACCREDITATION

- ⦿ Accreditation - The development of a set of standards, a process to measure health department performance against those standards, and some form of reward or recognition for those agencies meeting the standards.
- ⦿ There are a lot of details to be sorted out yet.
- ⦿ Pilot of accreditation system to be completed by July 1, 2011.

CURRENT ACTIVITY

- ◎ Dallas
- ◎ Hancock
- ◎ Johnson
- ◎ Lee
- ◎ Scott
- ◎ Tama

CHAPTER 137 - LOCAL BOARDS OF HEALTH

- ⦿ No major revision since 1967
- ⦿ New city boards of health may not be established after July 1, 2010.
- ⦿ Language about Modernization and the Public Health Standards was included
- ⦿ Expanded section on district boards of health
- ⦿ Local board of health may impose both civil and criminal penalties

MODERNIZATION RESOURCES

- ◎ Your local public health administrator
- ◎ Modernization web site
 - <http://www.idph.state.ia.us/mphi/>
- ◎ Public Health Modernization Act
 - <http://www.legis.state.ia.us/index.html>
 - HF 811 - Div. XI Section 114
- ◎ Chapter 137 Local boards of Health
 - <http://www.legis.state.ia.us/index.html>
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