

WHEELER COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN
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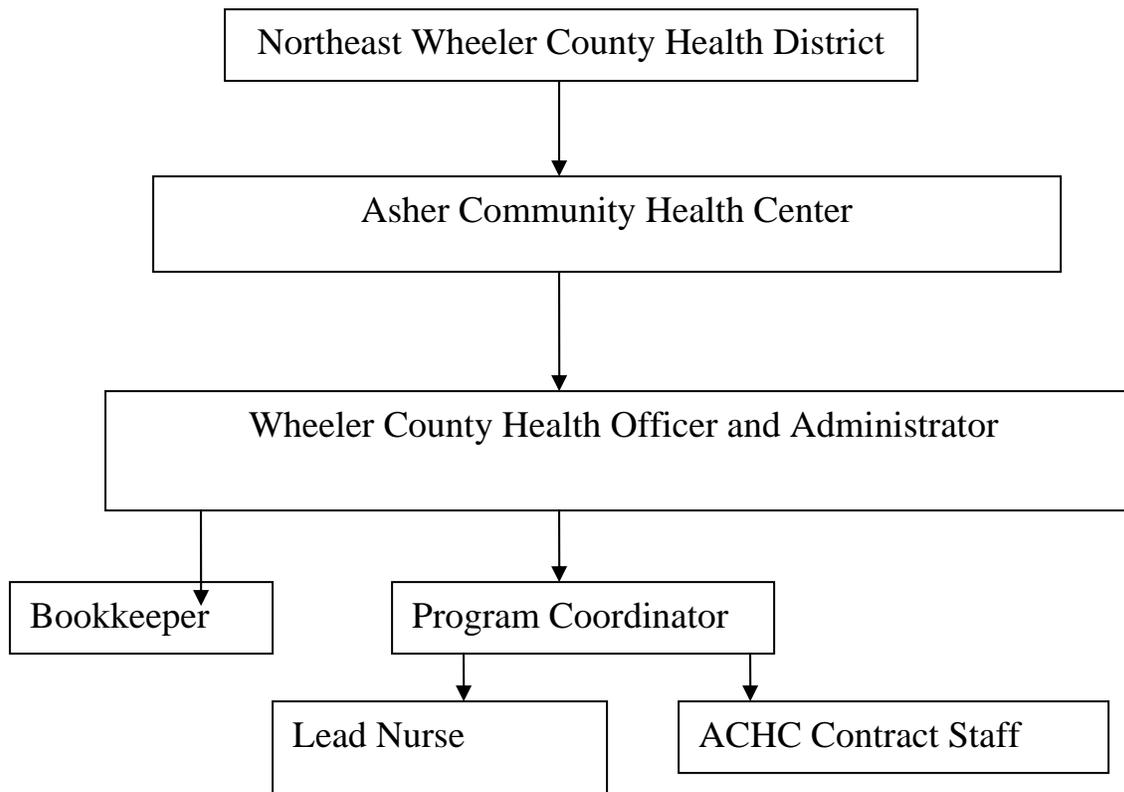
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**WHEELER COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH
ORGANIZATIONAL CHART**

WHEELER COUNTY COURT/ PUBLIC HEALTH AUTHORITY



I. Executive Summary

Wheeler County Public Health Department provides the core public health services of communicable disease reporting and investigation, family planning, child and adolescent health, immunizations, perinatal, emergency preparedness, and Babies First! programs. We also have the CaCoon program and Tobacco Prevention and Education Program (TPEP).

Mitchell School Based Health Center (MSBHC) continues to serve Mitchell School District #55, K-12, as well as the entire community and surrounding ranches. The site offers primary care, including reproductive health, but does not offer family planning services for students, at the request of the school board. The center does offer diagnosis and treatment of STDs and pregnancy testing. Family planning services for students are offered by referral.

Mitchell School Based Health Center now offers full dental services including a pediatric dentist. These dental services are also offered at Asher Community Health Center (ACHC) in Fossil and in Spray.

II. ASSESSMENT

ALCOHOL & DRUG USE

Community Counseling Solutions reports that in 2011 Wheeler County had 25 people in counseling for drug and alcohol use. There are minors included in this who may repeat offenses and do not continue counseling beyond the requirements of law as a result of being apprehended. We need to expand prevention and create new ways to reach the youth.

BIRTHS

Most births occur outside the county as we do not have a hospital or birthing clinic, and must refer clients for prenatal care. As a result of this, we do not receive the birth certificates. The only available data is from the Babies First! birth notifications which show 8 births in Wheeler County in 2011. We do not yet have the total for 2012 at this writing.

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE

There was one new case of E. Coli in 2011.

There was one new HIV+ in 2011.

There was one outbreak at the OMSI Field Station, Camp Hancock in September, 2011, which proved to be Norovirus. It is impossible to determine how many people contracted Noro because of incomplete reporting. However, John Combs, EHS, sent stool samples to the OSPHL and three of those were confirmed Norovirus.

DEATHS & CAUSES OF DEATH

Wheeler County Clerk reports that in 2011 Wheeler County had 13 deaths. Causes of death are as follows:

- Cardiac arrest 3
- Congestive heart failure 1
- Arthrosclerotic Coronary 1
- Congenital heart failure 1

- Suicide (gunshot) 1
- Cancer 2
- Chronic Renal failure 2
- Undetermined causes 2

DENTAL

The Mitchell School Based Health Center now offers full dental services. A one-chair dental operatory has been added in Spray. A two-chair dental operatory opened in Fossil in September 2011. Sliding fee discounts are available to low-income persons. This means that universal access to dental care is available to all Wheeler County residents.

DIABETES

We have initiated a disparities program involving ongoing diabetic treatment and care. An electronic health record was implemented in March 2011, which will substantially improve the ability to manage health of subpopulations, including patient access to their chart via the internet, access to additional health information on their condition, and follow-up instructions. Data has been kept on the health outcomes of diabetics for the past four years. This focus has resulted in improved outcomes.

UDS CLINICAL OUTCOME MEASURES

DIABETES	2008		2009		2010		2011	
Total patients aged 18+ with Type I or Type II diabetes	87		67		82		84	
Charts sampled	70		67		70			
1. HbA1c <= 7%	40	57%	34	51%	45	64%	40	48%
2. HbA1c >= 7% and < 8%							15	18%
3. HbA1c >= 8% and < 9%							7	8%
>7% HbA1c <= 9%	17	24%	23	34%	13	19%	22	26%
HbA1C > 9%	13	19%	6	9%	10	14%	6	7%
No HbA1C	0	0%	4	6%	2	3%	16	19%
4. HbA1c > 9% OR No test during year							22	26%
		100%		100%		100%		100%

- Required reporting categories changed during 2011
- There has been a shift from the <7% to the >=7% and <8% range.
- A smaller percentage of patients have HbA1c >9%
- There is a greater number of patients without a current HbA1c

HYPERTENSION	2008		2009		2010		2011	
Total patients aged 18+ with hypertension	204		224		240		174	
Charts sampled	70		70		70		174	
Patients with controlled BP Systolic , <=140 ; Diastolic <= 90	36	51%	33	47%	39	56%		53%

- The percent of controlled hypertensive patients has been relatively stable.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

We have several programs operating in Wheeler County which are independent of Public Health. There are CASA and VOCA programs and Community Counseling Solutions which does Drug and Alcohol counseling as well.

AGING ISSUES

Wheeler County has a significant elder population with 23% of the population age 65+ vs. 13% for Oregon as a whole. Our issues are dementia, diabetes, hypertension, hyperlipidemia, congestive heart failure, falls, and the high cost of medication.

CHRONIC DISEASE

Chronic diseases are diabetes, hypertension, hyperlipidemia, congestive heart failure, obesity and dementia.

FOOD BORNE ILLNESS REPORTS

We have had no reportable cases of food borne illness in 2011.

IMMUNIZATIONS

We have an ongoing need for free or affordable immunizations for children. Many of our residents have no insurance or are underinsured for immunizations. We continue to increase the number of children enrolled in the ALERT program and three staff members have completed the online classes for ALERT IIS which is now in use.

We are participating in the Adult Immunization Special Project sponsored by CDC and Oregon Health Authority to increase immunization against influenza and the Tdap combination tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis.

LOW BIRTH WEIGHT

There was no report of low birth weight in 2011.

MENTAL HEALTH

As mentioned above, Community Counseling Solutions is the primary agency providing services.

PHYSICAL ACTIVITY, DIET & OBESITY

We encourage physical activity among all age groups. Specifically, we have sponsored “walk to school” days and supplied pedometers to the school in an effort to make it more interesting. We provide nutritional counseling and disseminate information regarding diet and obesity.

Public Health has collaborated with Asher Community Health Center (ACHC) to implement an integrated overall community wellness program including improved health screening, exercise and diet modification. This program received recognition from former Governor Ted Kulongowski, KATU TV, National Public Radio, the Oregonian and numerous local newspapers.

PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (PHEP)

In October, 2006, a Mutual Aid Agreement between all the counties of Region 7 was finalized and signed by our County Commissioners. In 2007 it was decided that it needed to be updated. The new agreement was signed in Wheeler County on February 20, 2008. A new revised agreement is in process at this writing.

Wheeler County Public Health has agreements in place with the schools in Fossil, Mitchell and Spray to use their facilities in an emergency. There is also an agreement with the Wheeler County Fair Board to use the Isobel Edwards Hall in an emergency.

Exercises completed in 2011:

- Public Health Quarterly in house call down tests
- Participated in each of the state call tests for satellite phones
- May 7, 2011 Table Top Exercise Planning with EOM
- May 17, 2011 Table Top Exercise with County EOM Flooding
- June 8, 2011 Participated in Town Cri Or Exercise
- September 7, 2011 real time outbreak at OMSI Field Station, Camp Hancock. Investigation and Oregon State Public Health Lab confirmed Norovirus.
- September 28, 29, 30, 2011 conducted three POD exercises (one if each of our three communities).

The Public Health Vulnerability Analysis was completed in May, 2008 and incorporated into the existing Wheeler County Hazard Analysis on November 5, 2008. This document is being updated in 2012.

The work of collaborating with community partners to review and rewrite earlier Emergency Preparedness plans is an ongoing process.

ADEQUACY OF FIVE BASIC SERVICES

Required by ORS 431.416

1. Epidemiology and control of preventable diseases

Public Health staff (public health nurses and the health officer) follow up on any confirmed or suspected cases of diseases and conditions for which medical providers and labs are required by law to report to the health department. We coordinate these reports with DHS (state public health). We investigate to identify the cause or source of any outbreak, identify those who have been exposed to communicable disease, provide health guidance and preventive measures, when appropriate and available; and endeavor to prevent the spread or recurrence of disease. These services are adequate in normal times, but we are chronically short-staffed and would need assistance in a large outbreak.

2. Parent and child health services, including family planning clinics (ORS 435.205)

RN provides home visitation in Babies First! and CaCoon programs, which have been well received in the community and are adequate.

Family Planning services are available at our facility. We offer counseling, contraception, and, when necessary, referral.

3. Collection and reporting of health statistics.

The collection and reporting of health statistics in Wheeler County is done by the Wheeler County Clerk, currently Barbara Sitton. The Clerk may be contacted at the Wheeler County Courthouse, 701 Adams Street, P.O. Box 447, Fossil, OR 97830. 541-763-2400. FAX 541-763-2026.

4. Health Information and Referral Services.

All health department programs provide health information and referrals to programs within and without our facility. We provide health information in the form of pamphlets in our lobby and in the schools. We have a health educator who visits the schools and community groups upon request.

We publish in the local newspapers an article bimonthly on pertinent issues of public health prevention such as tick bites, West Nile Virus, and influenza vaccine. In 2010 there were articles informing the public regarding H1N1 and CDC recommended precautions as well as information on when and where to access immunizations. After the priority groups were lifted and everyone was eligible, we conducted another POD at the local residential care facility.

5. Environmental Health Services

Wheeler County Court contracts with Grant County to provide these services. Specifically, our county is served by John Combs, Environmental Health Specialist, Grant County Health Department, 528 East Main, Suite E, John Day, Or 97845. 541-620-0965. FAX 541-575-3604. email combsj@grantcounty-or.gov

We have the Food Handlers educational booklets, tests, and cards in our office and act as proxy to administer the tests in John's absence.

III. Action Plan

CONTROL OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASE

Current Condition:

1. Wheeler County Public Health is able to respond to communicable disease calls 24/7.
2. Investigations of reportable conditions and communicable diseases will be conducted, control measures carried out, and investigation report forms will be completed and submitted as per the investigative Disease Guidelines.
3. We are in need of on-going staff training and additional staff.
4. Immunizations are available here. Rabies immunizations for animals are available in our jurisdiction from a private veterinarian. Rabies treatment, if needed, must be referred outside our facility.
5. We have access to HAN and receive public health alerts.

Goals:

- To continue to be prepared to identify and respond to reports of communicable disease outbreaks 24/7.
- To complete and submit CD investigation documentation within the mandated timelines.
- To continue to provide health education to the community.

Activities:

1. Maintain 24/7 accessibility to receive calls and alerts.
2. Obtain training for new Physician Assistants who work part-time.
3. Investigate all reported communicable diseases/conditions within the investigative guidelines.
5. Continue to test internal call-down roster for 24/7 response.

Evaluation:

Make sure we meet the time lines for investigation and submission of forms to DHS.

Log the number of calls received.

Monitor the results of communication testing.

PARENT AND CHILD SERVICES

Current Conditions:

We receive referrals for Babies First! and CaCoon. The nurse is a part-time employee, and visits need to be made as soon as possible after the referral.

Goals

- Continue to visit families as soon as possible after receiving referral
- Continue care coordination for the CaCoon clients

Activities

1. Obtain training updates for nurse in Cacocon program
2. Contact referrals by telephone when we have the number
3. Contact by letter when necessary

Evaluation

Review data from state when available
Quality assessment review of files
Poll client satisfaction

FAMILY PLANNING

Current Condition

Data for 2011 is the most current data provided to us by DHS, and reflects that we served 12 clients in 2011.

Teens seeking contraception meet barriers of financial need and strong community resistance to accessibility of contraception methods for teens, believing that it encourages early sexual activity.

The Northeast Health Wheeler County Health District (NEWCHD) has established a fund to pay for necessary laboratory tests for indigent and uninsured minors.

Please see Appendix E attached for specific goals, objectives, and activities.

IMMUNIZATIONS

Please see Appendix F attached for Immunization Plan.

WIC

WIC services are provided in Wheeler County by Letter of Agreement with Umatilla County, by and through Maryann McKuen, Supervisor, 541-966-3354. Trini Patrick comes to Asher Community Health Center every other month. She makes her own appointments by telephone with residents of Wheeler County in advance. Trini may be contacted at 541-667-2545. In addition, Crook County sends a WIC representative to Mitchell for those local clients.

HEALTH STATISTICS

Health statistics for Wheeler County are collected by the County Clerk, Wheeler County Courthouse, 701 Adams Street, P.O. Box 447, Fossil, OR 97830. 541-763-3460. FAX 541-763-2026.

HEALTH INFORMATION AND REFERRAL SERVICES

Current Condition

Public Health clients often have needs that are without the range of services offered in our agency. Some are aware of the information or services they are seeking, and call for contacts and telephone numbers. However, many

are unaware of services available, and therefore do not inquire. These clients are dependent on public health staff to take the initiative and suggest services and opportunities that might be beneficial to them.

All programs are currently providing information and making referrals to clients for services offered at the Health Department, as well as services of other agencies.

We have a contract with Asher Community Health Center (ACHC) for part-time services from their staff. This includes the services of the ACHC Outreach Worker, who assists clients to apply for publicly funded health insurance, locate primary healthcare, sliding fee scale when applicable, and access dental care, in any of the three ACHC sites.

Goals

- To assure that those who qualify are connected with the services available through public and private agencies designed to improve their quality of life.

Activities

1. We will continue to attend the monthly meeting of Multi-Agency Teams (MAT) which facilitates inter-agency service.
2. ACHC Outreach Worker will continue to assist clients in their efforts to obtain services.

Evaluation

We will check data from the ACHC Outreach worker.
Monitor attendance at the MAT meeting

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

Wheeler County Court has contracted with Grant County to provide these services.

John Combs, Environmental Health Specialist, is the person who is currently providing licensure and inspection of facilities, enforcement when necessary, under ORS 624, 448, and 446.

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PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Current Condition

Wheeler County Public Health continues to work towards coordination of emergency planning with our partners within the county, within Region 7, and the State of Oregon.

Our Public Health Annex was incorporated in the Wheeler County Emergency Operations Plan on April 13, 2005. The Wheeler County Emergency Operations Plan was revised, updated, and approved by the County Court on January 17, 2007. There are portions under revision now.

Goals

- Continue to prepare for emergencies through various exercises.
- Obtain CD training for our newly hired personnel.
- Further the education of existing personnel in NIMS requirements.
- Continue 24/7 telephone response capability.
- Be prepared to respond to reports of unusual events in an efficient manner.
- Continue to improve communications amongst agencies and community partners.

Activities:

1. The Health officer and Preparedness Coordinator have both Completed the ICS 300 and 400 classes offered in 2007 by Texas Engineering Extension Service.
2. Schedule CD training for new personnel.
3. Continue to meet periodically with the Wheeler County Emergency Operations Manager (WCEOM) to review and revise emergency plans.
1. Continue to meet with WCEOM and volunteer personnel to plan future exercises.

Evaluation

Evaluation of our progress will be done quarterly using the assurances provided by Program Element 12 of the Intergovernmental Agreement with Oregon State Public Health, DHS. We will maintain records of activities and training.

IV. OTHER

Unmet Needs

There is an ongoing need for a full time public health nurse and funds for the salary.

Budget Statement

A draft of the proposed budget is included as an attachment to this comprehensive plan. When funding is more stable, this may be adjusted.

Comprehensive Plan Statement (SB555)

Wheeler County Public Health is not the governing body for the Commission on Children and Families. The Director of the Commission on Children and Families and the Program Coordinator of Wheeler County Public Health are in close communication and collaborate on each agency's comprehensive plan.

VI. Minimum Standards

Agencies are **required** to complete this section.

To the best of your knowledge, are you in compliance with these program indicators from the Minimum Standards for Local Health Departments?

Organization

1. Yes No A Local Health Authority exists which has accepted the legal responsibilities for public health as defined by Oregon Law.

2. Yes No The Local Health Authority meets at least annually to address public health concerns.
3. Yes No A current organizational chart exists that defines the authority, structure and function of the local health department; and is reviewed at least annually.
4. Yes No Current local health department policies and procedures exist which are reviewed at least annually.
5. Yes No Ongoing community assessment is performed to analyze and evaluate community data.
6. Yes No Written plans are developed with problem statements, objectives, activities, projected services, and evaluation criteria.
7. Yes No Local health officials develop and manage an annual operating budget.
8. Yes No Generally accepted public accounting practices are used for managing funds.
9. Yes No All revenues generated from public health services are allocated to public health programs.
10. Yes No Written personnel policies and procedures are in compliance with federal and state laws and regulations.
11. Yes No Personnel policies and procedures are available for all employees.
12. Yes No All positions have written job descriptions, including minimum qualifications.
13. Yes No Written performance evaluations are done annually.
14. Yes No Evidence of staff development activities exists.
15. Yes No Personnel records for all terminated employees are retained consistently with State Archives rules.
16. Yes No Records include minimum information required by each program.
17. Yes No A records manual of all forms used is reviewed annually.

18. Yes No There is a written policy for maintaining confidentiality of all client records which includes guidelines for release of client information.
19. Yes No Filing and retrieval of health records follow written procedures.
20. Yes No Retention and destruction of records follow written procedures and are consistent with State Archives rules.
21. Yes No Local health department telephone numbers and facilities' addresses are publicized.
22. Yes No Health information and referral services are available during regular business hours.
23. Yes No Written resource information about local health and human services is available, which includes eligibility, enrollment procedures, scope and hours of service. Information is updated as needed.
24. Yes No N/A 100% of birth and death certificates submitted by local health departments are reviewed by the local Registrar for accuracy and completeness per Vital Records office procedures.
25. Yes No To preserve the confidentiality and security of non-public abstracts, all vital records and all accompanying documents are maintained.
26. Yes No N/A Certified copies of registered birth and death certificates are issued within one working day of request.
27. Yes No Vital statistics data, as reported by the Center for Health Statistics, are reviewed annually by local health departments to review accuracy and support ongoing community assessment activities.
28. Yes No A system to obtain reports of deaths of public health significance is in place.
29. Yes No Deaths of public health significance are reported to the local health department by the medical examiner and are investigated by the health department.
30. Yes No Health department administration and county medical examiner review collaborative efforts at least annually.
31. Yes No Staff is knowledgeable of and has participated in the development of the county's emergency plan.

32. Yes No Written policies and procedures exist to guide staff in responding to an emergency.
33. Yes No Staff participate periodically in emergency preparedness exercises and upgrade response plans accordingly.
34. Yes No Written policies and procedures exist to guide staff and volunteers in maintaining appropriate confidentiality standards.
35. Yes No Confidentiality training is included in new employee orientation. Staff includes: employees, both permanent and temporary, volunteers, translators, and any other party in contact with clients, services or information. Staff sign confidentiality statements when hired and at least annually thereafter.
36. Yes No A Client Grievance Procedure is in place with resultant staff training and input to assure that there is a mechanism to address client and staff concerns.

Control of Communicable Diseases

37. Yes No There is a mechanism for reporting communicable disease cases to the health department.
38. Yes No Investigations of reportable conditions and communicable disease cases are conducted, control measures are carried out, investigation report forms are completed and submitted in the manner and time frame specified for the particular disease in the Oregon Communicable Disease Guidelines.
39. Yes No Feedback regarding the outcome of the investigation is provided to the reporting health care provider for each reportable condition or communicable disease case received.
40. Yes No Access to prevention, diagnosis, and treatment services for reportable communicable diseases is assured when relevant to protecting the health of the public.
41. Yes No There is an ongoing/demonstrated effort by the local health department to maintain and/or increase timely reporting of reportable communicable diseases and conditions.
42. Yes No There is a mechanism for reporting and following up on zoonotic diseases to the local health department.
43. Yes No A system exists for the surveillance and analysis of the incidence and prevalence of communicable diseases.

44. Yes No Annual reviews and analysis are conducted of five year averages of incidence rates reported in the Communicable Disease Statistical Summary, and evaluation of data are used for future program planning.
45. Yes No Immunizations for human target populations are available within the local health department jurisdiction.
46. Yes No Rabies immunizations for animal target populations are available within the local health department jurisdiction.

Environmental Health

47. Yes No Food service facilities are licensed and inspected as required by Chapter 333 Division 12.
48. Yes No Training is available for food service managers and personnel in the proper methods of storing, preparing, and serving food.
49. Yes No Training in first aid for choking is available for food service workers.
50. Yes No Public education regarding food borne illness and the importance of reporting suspected food borne illness is provided.
51. Yes No Each drinking water system conducts water quality monitoring and maintains testing frequencies based on the size and classification of system.
52. Yes No Each drinking water system is monitored for compliance with applicable standards based on system size, type, and epidemiological risk.
53. Yes No Compliance assistance is provided to public water systems that violate requirements.
54. Yes No All drinking water systems that violate maximum contaminant levels are investigated and appropriate actions taken.
55. Yes No A written plan exists for responding to emergencies involving public water systems.
56. Yes No Information for developing a safe water supply is available to people using on-site individual wells and springs.
57. Yes No A program exists to monitor, issue permits, and inspect on-site sewage disposal systems.

58. Yes No Tourist facilities are licensed and inspected for health and safety risks as required by Chapter 333 Division 12.
59. Yes No School and public facilities food service operations are inspected for health and safety risks.
60. Yes No Public spas and swimming pools are constructed, licensed, and inspected for health and safety risks as required by Chapter 333 Division 12.
61. Yes No A program exists to assure protection of health and the environment for storing, collecting, transporting, and disposing solid waste.
62. Yes No Indoor clean air complaints in licensed facilities are investigated.
63. Yes No Environmental contamination potentially impacting public health or the environment is investigated.
64. Yes No The health and safety of the public is being protected through hazardous incidence investigation and response.
65. Yes No * Emergency environmental health and sanitation are provided to include safe drinking water, sewage disposal, food preparation, solid waste disposal, sanitation at shelters, and vector control. * (All except vector control.)
66. Yes _N/A_ No All license fees collected by the Local Public Health Authority under ORS 624, 446, and 448 are set and used by the LPHA as required by ORS 624, 446, and 448.

Health Education and Health Promotion

67. Yes No Culturally and linguistically appropriate health education components with appropriate materials and methods will be integrated within programs.
68. Yes No The health department provides and/or refers to community resources for health education/health promotion.
69. Yes No The health department provides leadership in developing community partnerships to provide health education and health promotion resources for the community.

70. Yes No Local health department supports healthy behaviors among employees.
71. Yes No Local health department supports continued education and training of staff to provide effective health education.
72. Yes No All health department facilities are smoke free.

Nutrition

73. Yes No Local health department reviews population data to promote appropriate nutritional services.
74. The following health department programs include an assessment of nutritional status:
- a. Yes No WIC
 - b. Yes No Family Planning
 - c. Yes No Parent and Child Health
 - d. Yes No Older Adult Health
 - e. Yes No Corrections Health
75. Yes No Clients identified at nutritional risk are provided with or referred for appropriate interventions.
76. Yes No Culturally and linguistically appropriate nutritional education and promotion materials and methods are integrated within programs.
77. Yes No Local health department supports continuing education and training of staff to provide effective nutritional education.

Older Adult Health

78. Yes No Health department provides or refers to services that promote detecting chronic diseases and preventing their complications.
79. Yes No A mechanism exists for intervening where there is reported elder abuse or neglect.
80. Yes No Health department maintains a current list of resources and refers for medical care, mental health, transportation, nutritional services, financial services, rehabilitation services, social services, and substance abuse services.

81. Yes No Prevention-oriented services exist for self health care, stress management, nutrition, exercise, medication use, maintaining activities of daily living, injury prevention and safety education.

Parent and Child Health

82. Yes No Perinatal care is provided directly or by referral.
83. Yes No Immunizations are provided for infants, children, adolescents and adults either directly or by referral.
84. Yes No Comprehensive family planning services are provided directly or by referral.
85. Yes No Services for the early detection and follow up of abnormal growth, development and other health problems of infants and children are provided directly or by referral.
86. Yes No Child abuse prevention and treatment services are provided directly or by referral.
87. Yes No There is a system or mechanism in place to assure participation in multi-disciplinary teams addressing abuse and domestic violence.
88. Yes No There is a system in place for identifying and following up on high risk infants.
89. Yes No There is a system in place to follow up on all reported SIDS deaths.
90. Yes No Preventive oral health services are provided directly or by referral.
91. Yes No Use of fluoride is promoted, either through water fluoridation or use of fluoride mouth rinse or tablets.
92. Yes No Injury prevention services are provided within the community.

Primary Health Care

93. Yes No The local health department identifies barriers to primary health care services.

94. Yes No The local health department participates and provides leadership in community efforts to secure or establish and maintain adequate primary health care.
95. Yes No The local health department advocates for individuals who are prevented from receiving timely and adequate primary health care.
96. Yes No Primary health care services are provided directly or by referral.
97. Yes No The local health department promotes primary health care that is culturally and linguistically appropriate for community members.
98. Yes No The local health department advocates for data collection and analysis for development of population based prevention strategies.

Cultural Competency

99. Yes No The local health department develops and maintains a current demographic and cultural profile of the community to identify needs and interventions.
100. Yes No The local health department develops, implements and promotes a written plan that outlines clear goals, policies and operational plans for provision of culturally and linguistically appropriate services.
101. Yes No The local health department assures that advisory groups reflect the population to be served.
102. Yes No The local health department assures that program activities reflect operation plans for provision of culturally and linguistically appropriate services.

Health Department Personnel Qualifications

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Local health department Health Administrator minimum qualifications:

The Administrator must have a Bachelor degree plus graduate courses (or equivalents) that align with those recommended by the Council on Education for Public Health. These are: Biostatistics, Epidemiology, Environmental health sciences, Health services administration, and Social and behavioral sciences relevant to public health problems. The

Administrator must demonstrate at least 3 years of increasing responsibility and experience in public health or a related field.

Answer the following questions:

Administrator name: Robert J. Boss, MD

- Does the Administrator have a Bachelor degree? Yes No
- Does the Administrator have at least 3 years experience in public health or a related field? Yes No
- Has the Administrator taken a graduate level course in biostatistics? Yes No
- Has the Administrator taken a graduate level course in epidemiology? Yes No
- Has the Administrator taken a graduate level course in environmental health? Yes No
- Has the Administrator taken a graduate level course in health services administration? Yes No
- Has the Administrator taken a graduate level course in social and behavioral sciences relevant to public health problems? Yes No

- a. Yes No **The local health department Health Administrator meets minimum qualifications:**

If the answer is “No”, submit an attachment that describes your plan to meet the minimum qualifications.

ATTACHMENT: Experience as Clinic Administrator, Personnel Management, and Medical Director in three clinics for multiple years as well as Public Health workshops may help to satisfy this requirement.

b. Yes X No ___ The local health department Supervising Public Health Nurse meets minimum qualifications:

Licensure as a registered nurse in the State of Oregon, progressively responsible experience in a public health agency;

AND

Baccalaureate degree in nursing, with preference for a Master's degree in nursing, public health or public administration or related field, with progressively responsible experience in a public health agency.

If the answer is “No”, submit an attachment that describes your plan to meet the minimum qualifications.

c. Yes X No ___ The local health department Environmental Health Supervisor meets minimum qualifications:

Registration as a sanitarian in the State of Oregon, pursuant to ORS 700.030, with progressively responsible experience in a public health agency

OR

a Master's degree in an environmental science, public health, public administration or related field with two years progressively responsible experience in a public health agency.

If the answer is “No”, submit an attachment that describes your plan to meet the minimum qualifications.

d. Yes X No ___ The local health department Health Officer meets minimum qualifications:

Licensed in the State of Oregon as M.D. or D.O. Two years of practice as licensed physician (two years after internship and/or residency). Training and/or experience in epidemiology and public health.

If the answer is “No”, submit an attachment that describes your plan to meet the minimum qualifications.

Agencies are **required** to include with the submitted Annual Plan:

The local public health authority is submitting the Annual Plan pursuant to ORS 431.385, and assures that the activities defined in ORS 431.375–431.385 and ORS 431.416, are performed.

/s/ Robert J. Boss, MD
Local Public Health Authority

Wheeler
County

December 17 , 2012
Date

**IV. BUDGET
WHEELER COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH
PROPOSED BUDGET
FY 2013-2014**

PROGRAMS	2011-2012 EXPENSE	REVENUE	NEEDED REVENUE	2013-2014 BUDGET
CaCoon	5,129	3,420	380	3,800
MCH Title V Flex funds	10,112	9,251	861	10,112
CHILD & ADOLESCENT HEALTH	6,997	6,754	246	7,000
BABIES FIRST!	5,173	4,706	469	5,175
PERINATAL/GENERAL FUND	1,740	1,486	264	1,750
EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS	38,142	45,050		45,050
FAMILY PLANNING	6,729	6,256	494	6,750
IMMUNIZATIONS	2,586	1,905	695	2,600
SCHOOL BASED HEALTH CE	198,453	60,000	140,000	200,000
STATE SUPPORT FOR P.H.	2,250	1,600	650	2,250
TOBACCO PREVENTION	18,132	16,909	1,223	18,132
ADULT IMMUNIZATION S.P.		20,471		20,471
COUNTY GENERAL FUND		1,500		1,500
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TOTALS				