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# Modernizing Oregon's Public Health System

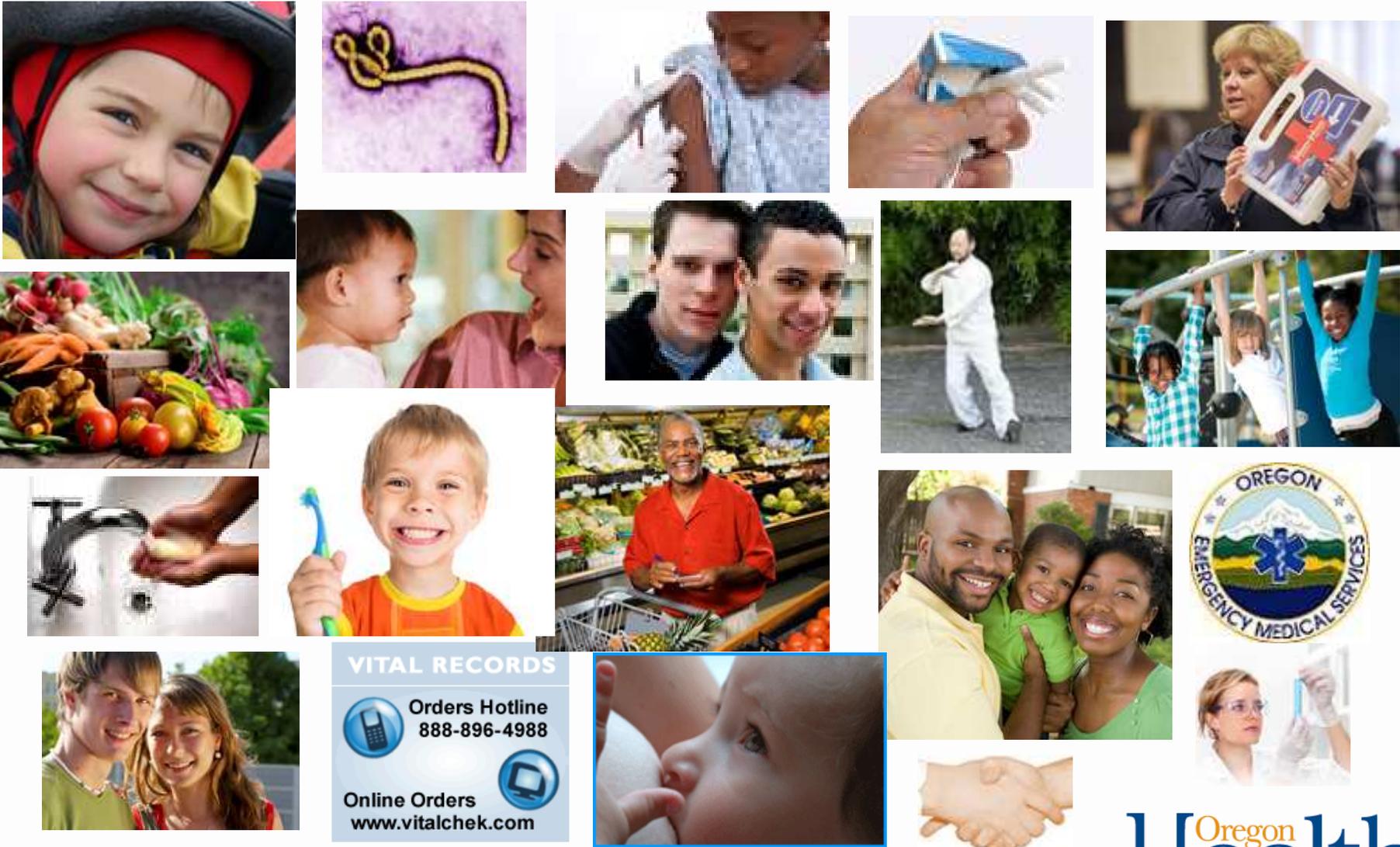


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# What Does the Public Health System Do?



Oregon Public Health Division

**VITAL RECORDS**

 **Orders Hotline**  
888-896-4988

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# Current Situation for Public Health in Oregon

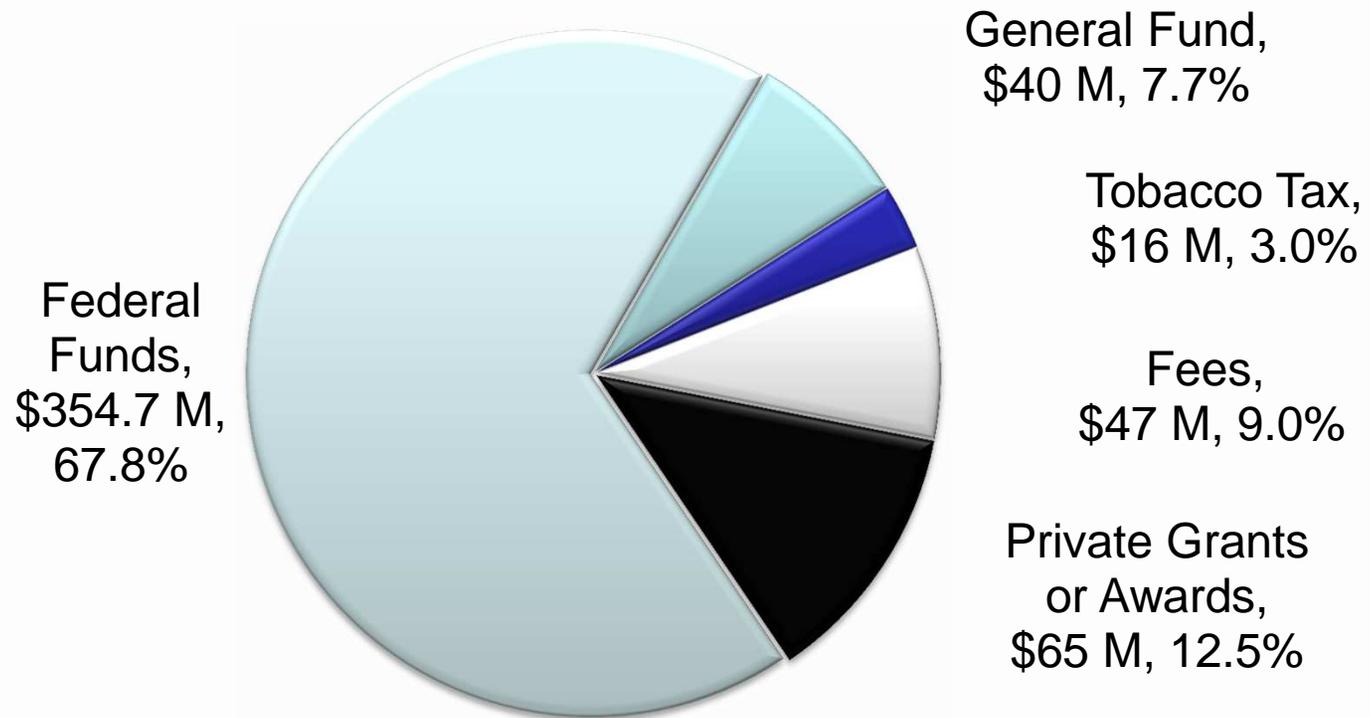
- Large variation in level of county funding resulting in limited capacity in many areas
- A focus on individual service delivery at the cost of providing community wide interventions
- Reliance on Federal categorical funding which dictates what programs need to be provided, regardless of community need
- Limited state funding for core public health capacities and programs

# Public Health in Oregon

- Decentralized public health structure
- State public health
  - OHA Public Health Division
- Local public health
  - 34 local public health authorities (one three-county health district)
  - Local public health authorities may delegate public health authority to another entity (nonprofit organization, etc.)

# State Public Health Budget by Fund Type

## Total budget \$523,079,350



## State Investment in Public Health: Per Capita State Investment in Public Health

State Public Health Budgets			
State	FY 2011-2012	FY 11-12 Per Capita	Per Capita Ranking
Hawaii <sup>2</sup>	\$215,793,131	\$154.99	1
D.C.	\$65,927,000	\$104.26	2
Idaho	\$143,890,100	\$90.17	3
West Virginia	\$160,589,232	\$86.55	4
Alaska <sup>2</sup>	\$59,261,100	\$81.02	5
New York	\$1,468,595,515	\$75.04	6
Alabama	\$358,728,139	\$74.39	7
California	\$2,512,158,000	\$66.04	8
Wyoming	\$33,852,718	\$58.73	9
Massachusetts	\$361,079,843	\$54.33	10
Arkansas	\$150,180,308	\$50.92	11
North Dakota <sup>3</sup>	\$34,013,780	\$48.62	12
Rhode Island	\$49,390,630	\$47.03	13
New Mexico	\$97,144,500	\$46.58	14
Kentucky	\$191,695,800	\$43.76	15
Tennessee	\$275,073,200	\$42.61	16
Washington <sup>3</sup>	\$289,049,500	\$41.91	17
Vermont	\$26,084,071	\$41.67	18
Delaware <sup>2</sup>	\$38,153,700	\$41.60	19
Nebraska	\$72,690,976	\$39.18	20
Oklahoma <sup>1</sup>	\$148,623,000	\$38.96	21
Virginia <sup>3</sup>	\$299,156,071	\$36.55	22
Colorado	\$180,719,799	\$34.84	23
Maryland <sup>2</sup>	\$175,461,490	\$29.82	24
South Dakota <sup>4</sup>	\$23,735,633	\$28.48	25
MEDIAN \$27.40			
Utah	\$78,246,700	\$27.40	26
New Jersey	\$229,203,000	\$25.86	27
Connecticut <sup>2</sup>	\$88,191,904	\$24.56	28
Illinois	\$297,253,500	\$23.09	29
Maine <sup>2</sup>	\$29,708,338	\$22.35	30
Florida <sup>2</sup>	\$382,052,729	\$19.78	31
Montana	\$19,552,494	\$19.45	32
South Carolina	\$90,947,879	\$19.25	33
Texas	\$478,338,289	\$18.36	34
Iowa	\$53,688,501	\$17.46	35
Indiana	\$113,929,495	\$17.43	36
Michigan <sup>3</sup>	\$172,041,800	\$17.41	37
Georgia	\$168,715,698	\$17.01	38
Louisiana	\$70,778,560	\$15.38	39
Minnesota <sup>2,4</sup>	\$77,456,000	\$14.40	40
Ohio	\$166,257,009	\$14.40	40
Kansas <sup>4</sup>	\$41,479,143	\$14.37	42
Pennsylvania <sup>2</sup>	\$181,961,000	\$14.26	43
North Carolina <sup>2</sup>	\$138,126,056	\$14.16	44
New Hampshire	\$17,794,601	\$13.47	45
Oregon	\$52,141,850	\$13.37	46
Wisconsin	\$75,042,700	\$13.10	47
Mississippi <sup>2</sup>	\$26,521,920	\$8.89	48
Arizona	\$49,756,500	\$7.59	49
Missouri	\$36,592,175	\$6.08	50
Nevada	\$9,042,262	\$3.28	51

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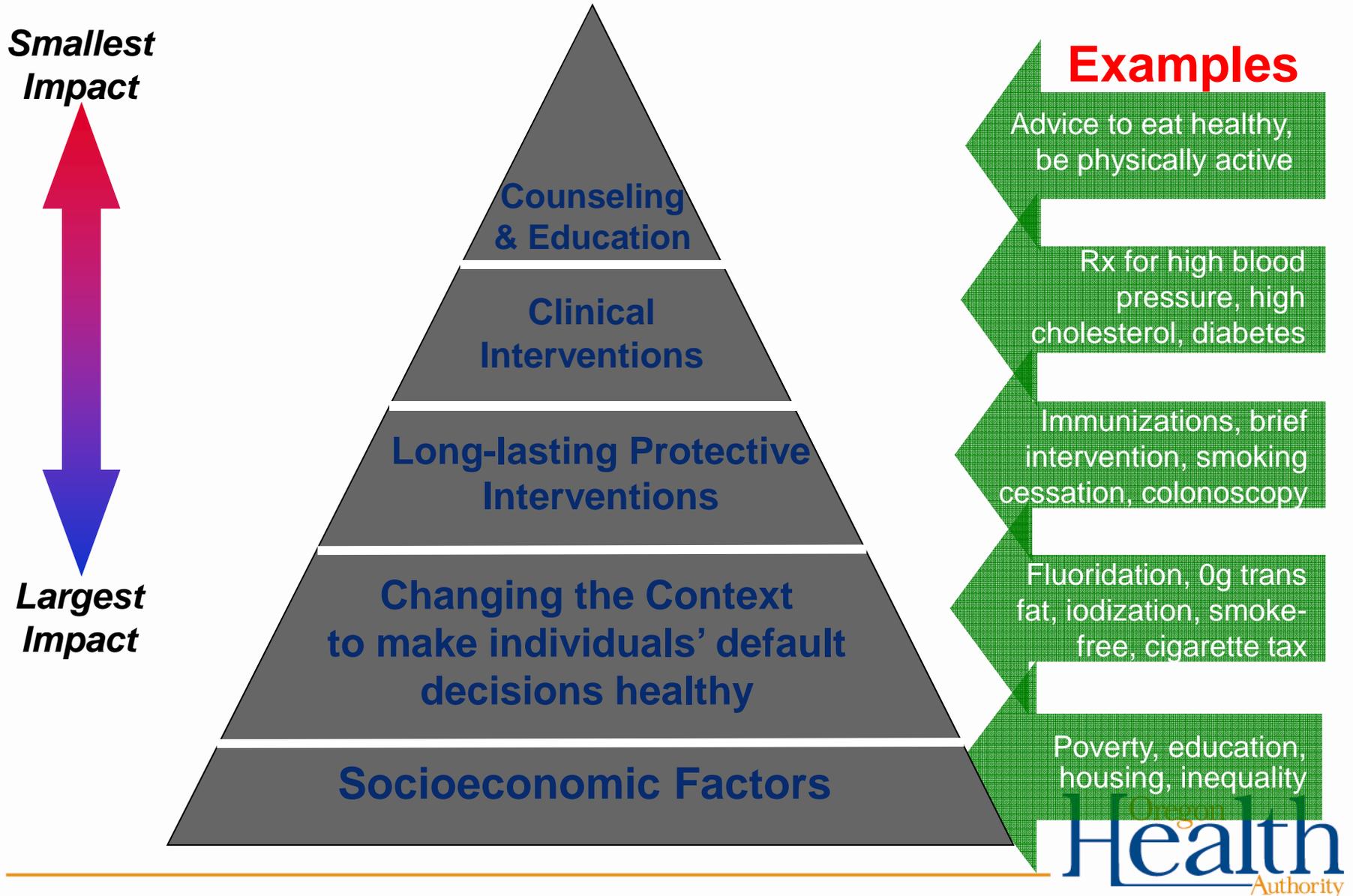
1 May contain some social service programs, but not Medicaid or CHIP.

2 General funds only.

3 Budget data taken from appropriations legislation.

4 State did not respond to the data check TFAH coordinated with ASTHO that was sent out October 26, 2012. States were given until November 16, 2012 to confirm or correct the information. The states that did not reply by that date were assumed to be in accordance with the findings.

# Factors that Affect Health



# Task Force on the Future of Public Health Services:

## *HB 2348 (2013)*

Focused on recommendations that:

- Create a public health system for the future
- Consider the creation of regional structures
- Enhance efficiency and effectiveness
- Allow for appropriate partnerships with regional health care service providers and community organizations
- Consider cultural and historical appropriateness
- Are supported by best practices

# Task Force Membership

- Tammy Baney (Chair), Deschutes County Commissioner
- Liz Baxter (Vice Chair), Oregon Public Health Institute
- Carrie Brogoitti, Union County Public Health
- Carlos Crespo, Portland State University
- Charlie Fautin, Benton County Public Health
- Nicole Maher, Northwest Health Foundation
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- Jennifer Mead, Department of Human Services
- Gary Oxman, Multnomah County
- Alejandro Queral, United Way of the Columbia-Willamette
- Eva Rippeteau, AFSCME Council 75
- Rep. Jason Conger (R-Bend)
- Rep. Mitch Greenlick (D-Portland)
- Sen. Bill Hansell (R-Pendleton)
- Sen. Laurie Monnes Anderson (D-Gresham)

HB 2348 (2013): Task Force Report  
Future of Public Health Services

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Executive Summary

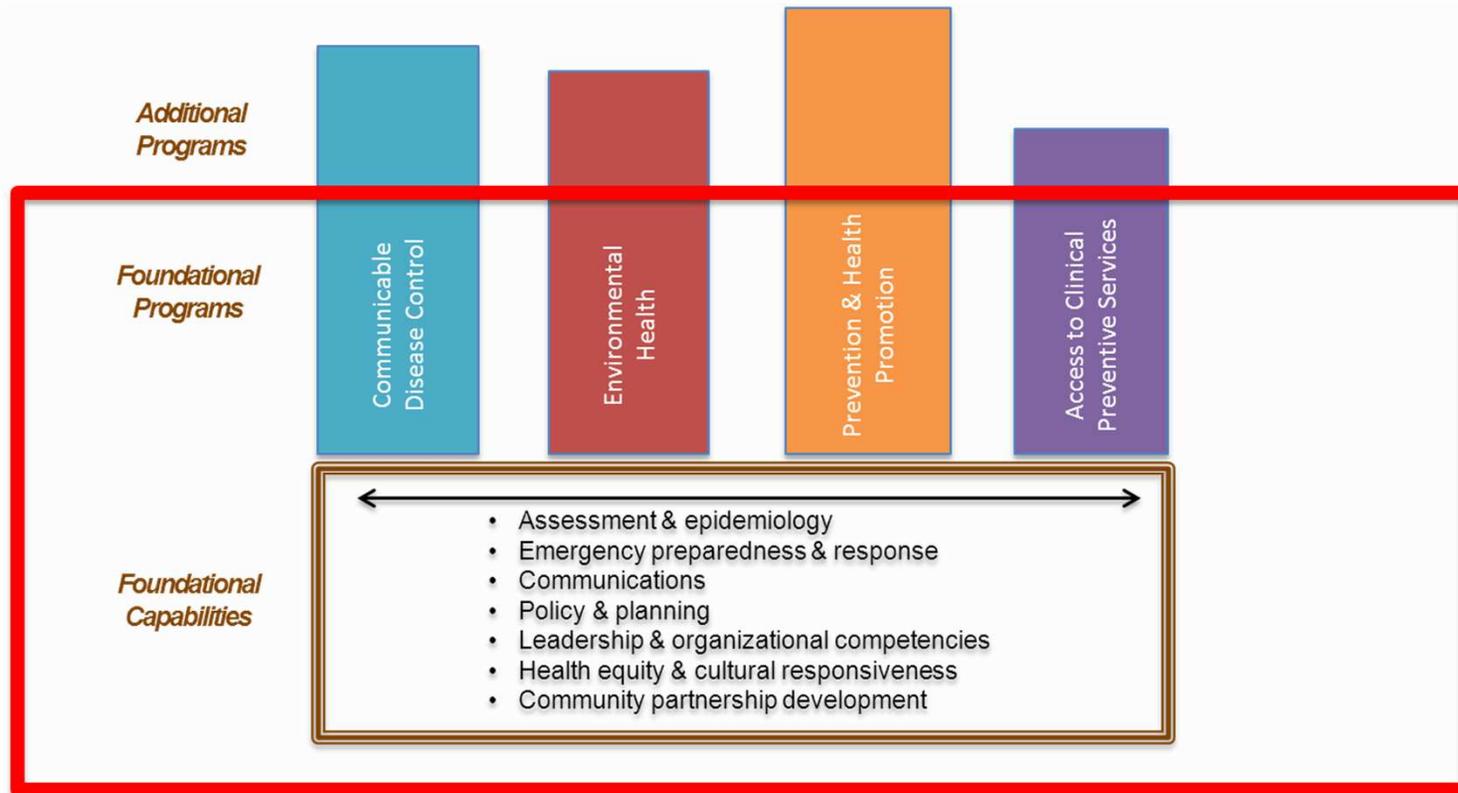
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# Recommendations

1. Foundational Capabilities and Programs
2. Significant and sustained state funding
3. Implementation in waves over a timeline to be determined
4. Flexibility for local public health
5. Metrics evaluated by Public Health Advisory Board

# Conceptual Framework for Governmental Public Health Services



□ = Present @ every Health Dept.

*Recommendation #1*

The Foundational Capabilities and Programs should be adopted in order for Oregon's public health system to function efficiently and effectively

- HB 3100
- SB 663

# Foundational Programs

- Communicable Disease Control
- Environmental Health
- Prevention and Health Promotion
- Access to Clinical Preventive Services

## Additional Programs

- Public health programs and activities implemented in addition to foundational programs to address specific identified community public health problems or needs.
- Additional programs are of two fundamental types:
  - Enhancement or expansion of a foundational program
  - A new program to address a need not addressed by a foundational program

*Recommendation #2*

Significant and sustained state funding be identified and allocated for proper operationalization of the Foundational Capabilities and Programs

# Public Health in Oregon: Funding

## OHA Public Health Division

- Federal grants
- Private grants
- Fees
- Tobacco tax
- State General fund

## Local Public Health Authorities

- Medicaid reimbursement
- County general funds
- Pass-through federal grants
- Fees and donations

*Recommendations #3 & 4*

- Statewide implementation of the Foundational Capabilities & Programs will occur in waves over a timeline to be determined
- Local public health will have the flexibility to operationalize Foundational Capabilities and Programs through a single county structure; a single county with shared services; or a multi-county jurisdiction

*Recommendation #5*

Improvements and changes in the governmental public health system be structured around state and local metrics established and evaluated by the Public Health Advisory Board, which will report to the Oregon Health Policy Board

# What This Means for the Future of Public Health

- Better integration of governmental public health with a transforming health care system.
- Improved coordination and clarity of roles between local and state.
- Basic public health assurances in place for everyone in Oregon.
- Local flexibility in determining additional public health service.
- Improved sustainability for governmental public health services over time.

**The full report in addition to task force meeting minutes and materials can be found online:**

**[www.healthoregon/taskforce](http://www.healthoregon/taskforce)**