
Marion County Health and Human Services Public Health Modernization Priorities

Marion County Health and Human Services utilizes the Public Health Modernization as a model to inform the public health infrastructure in Marion County. We are committed to creating a vibrant community in Marion County, where all people have opportunities to live healthy, purposeful lives.

We are prioritizing systemic change to support our people and culture by focusing on staff retention and recruitment to represent the community we serve while encouraging and supporting internal workforce development.

A second priority is to reduce the impact of environmental health hazards. By organizing environmental health assessments, identifying key communities most impacted by environmental hazards, and collaborating with community partners to create culturally relevant long-term environmental resiliency plans, we will prioritize:

- emergency preparedness and response
- internal and external communication
- partnership development reflecting the community we serve

Lastly, we will continue to work on emerging communicable disease threats and the reduction of STDs/HIV in our community. While enhancing regional partnerships with Polk County, we will continue to work with the Marion and Polk Communicable Disease Task Force to ensure a multi-faceted approach to the prevention of STDs/HIV.