

Lincoln County Public Health

Achieving public health modernization in Lincoln County ensures that our local public health authority has sufficient and flexible funding to allow us to recruit and retain a qualified, passionate and engaged workforce that has the programmatic expertise and the specific skillset and training to ensure effective, data driven, equity focused, and community-centered quality public health interventions that are responsive to the needs of our community. This will allow us to prevent the spread of disease, protect the public, and promote positive health outcomes in the community while ensuring access to services to our most vulnerable community members.

Our current approach and strategies are:

1. To build and sustain the practices and intervention models developed during the COVID-19 pandemic through: a) the expansion and sustaining of trusted community partnerships, b) the transparent and regular communication of local public health data and information to the community, c) the engagement of community members, partners, and organizations to enhance the outreach and access to services for all our community members, and d) building our capacity to address health inequities and discriminations experienced by various populations in our community.
2. To take the time to assess our current practices, attitudes, and knowledge of equity and inequities facing specific populations in our community, and to strategically address the gaps identified through training of the workforce, and authentic listening and engagement of the communities experiencing these disparities.
3. To develop and implement programming and interventions rooted in community needs, readiness, and local data that support decision-making and prioritization.