



**Wisconsin Division of Public Health
Local Public Health Systems Partnership Database
A Snapshot in Time: November 11, 2004**

Introduction

Overview:

This database contains information about local partnerships reported by local health officers regarding the characteristics of the partnerships that their health departments had with local entities as of November 2004. While this is not a complete list of all partnerships between health departments and their communities in Wisconsin, it provides a “snapshot” of many existing partnerships around the state. This information is dynamic and ever changing, and will need to be updated periodically by local health departments, regional offices, and the Division of Public Health. Note: The information was provided from the viewpoint of the Local Health Officer.

Purpose:

This database was created to:

- Help local and regional public health staff learn and share information about existing partnerships and collaborations throughout Wisconsin.
- Help local and regional staff identify possible entities for new partnerships.
- Create a foundation for building upon this database as partnerships grow and change.

When:

The information reported in this database was collected from August 2004 to November 2004.

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Format of Database

The database is in Excel format, which can be sorted and manipulated to display the information in different ways. After opening the Excel file, look to the bottom of the screen for the tabs. The following items in bolded text represent the names of the tabs. Use the arrows to the left of the tabs to scroll from one worksheet to another. The following worksheets have already been sorted (tabs) to display the following information:

1. **Complete Database:** Sorted alphabetically by local health department name; contains responses to every question. (See “Survey Questions” on page 4.)
2. **Contact Information:** Contains the local health department name, partnership name, and partnership information.
3. **Northern Region:** Responses by the Northern local health departments.
4. **Northeastern Region:** Responses by the Northeastern local health departments.
5. **Southern Region:** Responses by the Southern local health departments.
6. **Southeastern Region:** Responses by the Southeastern local health departments.
7. **Western Region:** Responses by the Western local health departments.
8. **Access:** Partnerships working on Access to Primary and Preventive Health Services.
9. **Adequate Nutrition:** Partnerships working on Adequate and Appropriate Nutrition.
10. **Alcohol:** Partnerships working on Alcohol and Other Substance Use and Addiction.
11. **Environment:** Partnerships working on Environmental and Occupational Health Hazards.
12. **CD:** Partnerships working on Existing, Emerging, and Re-emerging Communicable Diseases.
13. **High-Risk Sex:** Partnerships working on High-Risk Sexual Behavior.
14. **Injuries:** Partnerships working on Intentional and Unintentional Injuries and Violence.
15. **Mental Health:** Partnerships working on Mental Health and Mental Disorders.
16. **Obesity:** Partnerships working on Overweight, Obesity, and Lack of Physical Activity.
17. **Social Economic:** Partnerships working on Social and Economic Factors that Influence Health.
18. **Tobacco:** Partnerships working on Tobacco Use and Exposure.
19. **Infrastructure:** Partnerships working on any of the five infrastructure priorities (Integrated Electronic Data and Information Systems; Community Health Improvement Processes and Plans; Coordination of State and Local Public Health System Partnerships; Sufficient, Competent Workforce; and Equitable, Adequate, and Stable Financing).

Method for Collecting Data

In 2002, the University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Nursing, under the leadership of Susan Zahner, DrPH, RN, conducted a study titled: “Wisconsin Local Public Health System Partnership Survey” to gather information on the characteristics of partnerships throughout Wisconsin. This survey identified the characteristics of over 900 existing local public health system partnerships involving local health departments (LHDs) and one or more other public health system partners in Wisconsin. A total of 74 LHDs responded. The average number of partnerships reported by an LHD was 17.95, with a range of 3 to 70. (For more information regarding the results of the 2002 survey, please contact Dr. Zahner.)

In keeping with the Human Subjects Protocol at the University of Wisconsin, Dr. Zahner needed to obtain permission from the local health officers before releasing the information to the

Division of Public Health. Only 51 of the 74 LHDs gave consent to release the information to the Division. In 2004, Dr. Zahner followed-up with the 74 original LHDs who responded to the 2002 survey. A report was generated for every partnership reported in 2002 and mailed to the LHD for updates. The information displayed in this database was collected from August to November, 2004.

Definition of Partnership

As documented in *Healthiest Wisconsin 2010*, partnerships are defined as collaborative, synergistic alliances of diverse public health partners working towards community and population health improvement in areas too complex for one entity to accomplish. Public health system partnerships vary in their organizational structure, developmental stage, geographic focus, resource availability, and purpose. Operationally, these partnerships may share information, coordinate health-related services, identify health issues, set goals for action, plan and implement strategies and activities, and evaluate outcomes. Public health system partners include individual residents and diverse governmental, public, private, nonprofit, and voluntary organizations, agencies, and groups (Lasker, 2001 – modified).

Participating LHDs:

Adams	Iowa	Pepin
Ashland	Jefferson	Pierce
Barron	Juneau	Polk
Beloit	Kenosha	Portage
Buffalo	La Crosse	Racine
Burnett	Lafayette	Richland
Caledonia/Mt. Pleasant	Langlade	Rusk
Calumet	Lincoln	Sauk
City of Menasha	Madison	Sheboygan
Columbia	Manitowoc	South Milwaukee
DePere	Marathon	St. Croix
Dodge	Marquette	St. Francis
Door	North Shore	Taylor
Eau Claire	Oak Creek	Trempealeau
Grant	Oconto	Waushara
Green Lake	Oshkosh	Wood

Survey Questions—2004

1. Name of local health department
2. Name of partnership
 - Does this partnership still exist?
 - New partnership name [if applicable]
3. Primary focus area
4. Other focus area
5. Geographic target area of partnership
6. Types of partnership activities. Respondents could pick more than one from the following answers:
 - Setting community health goals
 - Creating action plans
 - Conducting community health events
 - Conducting community assessment
 - Networking/information sharing
 - Designing local health services
 - Disseminating information to the public
 - Influencing community-level policy
 - Addressing state health plan objectives
 - Coordinating direct services to clients
 - Other activities
7. Partner organizations. Respondents could pick more than one from the following answers:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Advocacy groups ➤ Businesses ➤ Colleges/universities ➤ Community-based organizations ➤ Foundations ➤ Other governmental agencies ➤ Hospitals ➤ Labor organizations ➤ Managed care organizations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Media ➤ Medical practices or clinics ➤ Neighborhood associations ➤ Professional associations ➤ Faith-based organizations ➤ Voluntary health organizations ➤ Individual residents ➤ Schools (K-12) ➤ Others:
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8. *Healthiest Wisconsin* priorities. Respondents checked all priorities that applied to this partnership.
 - Access to Primary and Preventive Health Services
 - Increase the Percentage of the Population with Health Insurance
 - System Infrastructure Capacity for Prevention
 - Reducing Barriers to Access:
 - Access to Oral Health Services

- Adequate and Appropriate Nutrition
 - Infrastructure
 - Breastfeeding and Healthy Eating
 - Adequate, Safe, and Appropriate Food

- Alcohol and Other Substance Use and Addiction
 - Stigma Reduction Through Increased Knowledge and Understanding
 - Evidence-Based Prevention Practices
 - Improving Screening
 - Closing the Treatment Gap
 - Meeting the Needs of Other Family Members when an Individual has a Substance Use Disorder

- Environmental and Occupational Health Hazards
 - Microbial or Chemical Contamination
 - Respiratory Diseases
 - Occupational Injury, Illness, and Death
 - Chemical and Biological Contaminants in the Home
 - Environmental Health Indicators for Air, Land, and Water

- Existing, Emerging, and Re-emerging Communicable Diseases
 - Statewide Communicable Disease Surveillance and Response
 - Vaccine Preventable Diseases and Immunization
 - Foodborne and Waterborne Disease Control
 - Antibiotic and Antimicrobial Resistance

- High-Risk Sexual Behavior
 - Adolescent Sexual Activity
 - Unintended Pregnancy in Wisconsin
 - Sexually Transmitted Disease, including HIV Infection

- Intentional and Unintentional Injuries and Violence
 - Prevention of Child Maltreatment
 - Motor Vehicle-Related Injuries and Death
 - Fall-Related Injuries and Death
 - Trauma System Development
 - Injury Surveillance System

- Mental Health and Mental Disorders
 - Screening and Referral
 - Discrimination/Anti-Stigma
 - Cultural Competence
 - Access to Care Objective

- Overweight, Obesity, and Lack of Physical Activity
 - Leadership
 - Physical Activity for Children and Adolescents
 - Physical Activity for Adults

- Overweight and Obesity
 - Social and Economic Factors that Influence Health
 - Improving Income Levels of Wisconsin Households
 - Social Connectedness and Cultural Competence
 - Literacy and Educational Attainment
 - Child Care
 - Tobacco Use and Exposure
 - Youth Prevention
 - Tobacco Cessation
 - Secondhand Smoke
 - System (Infrastructure) Priorities
 - Integrated Electronic Data and Information Systems
 - Community Health Improvement Processes and Plans
 - Coordination of State and Local Public Health System Partnerships
 - Sufficient, Competent Workforce
 - Equitable, Adequate, and Stable Financing
9. Partnership Contact Information
- Name
 - Address
 - Telephone
 - E-mail
 - Fax