

**CLACKAMAS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**Sitting/Acting as Local Public Health Authority**

**Study Session Worksheet**

**Presentation Date:** 05/20/2014 **Approx Start Time:** 1:30 pm **Approx Length:** 30 min

**Presentation Title:** Updates on the Health of Clackamas County

**Department:** Health, Housing & Human Services Department / Public Health Division

**Presenters:** Dana Lord, Public Health Division Director

**Other Invitees:**

**WHAT ACTION ARE YOU REQUESTING FROM THE BOARD?**

This is an informational session for the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) regarding the health of Clackamas County residents.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

County Health Rankings are released each year by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. The rankings are used to understand what affects health in our area and helps prioritize actions moving forward. Clackamas County continues to do well in comparison to our neighbors, ranking #5 in Oregon overall. The measurements for the physical environment have changed, which dramatically impacted our ranking. Air pollution, severe housing problems, and commuting have been added to this category.

To address the top health indicators, the Public Health Division is focused on delivering the 10 Essential Public Health Services, which includes:

1. Monitoring health status to identify community health problems
2. Diagnosing and investigating health problems and health hazards in the community
3. Informing, educating and empowering people about health issues
4. Mobilizing community partnerships and action to identify and solve health problems
5. Developing policies and plans that support individual and community health efforts
6. Enforcing laws and regulations that protect health and ensure safety
7. Linking people to needed personal health services and assure the provision of health care when otherwise unavailable
8. Assuring competent public health and personal health care workforce
9. Evaluating effectiveness, accessibility, and quality of personal and population-based health services
10. Researching for new insights and innovative solutions to health problems

ORS 431.410 provides the basis for the BCC to act as the Local Public Health Authority (LPHA). The H3S / Public Health Division would like to engage the BCC in their role as the LPHA through the following upcoming opportunities:

- Public Health Accreditation Site Visit: June 23rd and 24th
- Inform the BCC on activities related to the Governor's Taskforce on the Future of Public Health Services in Oregon.
- Support a 'Health in All Policies' approach to local governance in order to improve the health of the people and communities within Clackamas County.
- Update the Clackamas County Code's Smoking Policy to include e-cigarettes

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS (current year and ongoing):**

None at this time.

**LEGAL/POLICY REQUIREMENTS:**

ORS 431.410 states that the local board of county commissioner shall serve as the local public health authority, assuring that public health rules and laws are carried out, public health services are provided to county residents and funds intended for public health purpose are used appropriately. The BCC has this authority and delegates day-to-day operations to the H3S / Public Health Division.

**PUBLIC/GOVERNMENTAL PARTICIPATION:**

**OPTIONS:**


N/A

**RECOMMENDATION:**

N/A

**ATTACHMENTS:**

**SUBMITTED BY:**

Division Director/Head Approval   
Department Director/Head Approval \_\_\_\_\_  
County Administrator Approval \_\_\_\_\_

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# Updates on the Health of Clackamas County

May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014

Clackamas County Public Health

a Division of the Health, Housing & Human Services Department

# County Health Rankings

**Table 1. Clackamas County Rankings, 2010-2014\***

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Overall Rank	3	4	4	5	5
Overall Health Outcomes	3	4	4	5	5
Morbidity	4	5	5	5	5
Mortality	4	6	3	4	4
Overall Health Factors	5	3	4	4	4
Health Behaviors	6	5	6	6	5
Clinical Care	4	8	6	3	3
Social & Economic Factors	3	3	3	3	3
Physical Environment	23	9	20	15	25

\*green refers to higher ranking than previous year;  
red refers to lower ranking than previous year

# Clackamas County: \*Top Health Indicators

Health Outcome Measures						
Performance Measure	Benchmark	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Rate of low birth weight babies per 1,000	Healthy People 2020: 78	57.0	64.6	56.0	54.1	
Adult obesity	Healthy People 2020: 30.5%	23.6%		23.9%		
High school four-year cohort graduation rate	Oregon Average: 68.7%	69.0%	72.2%	73.3%	74.4%	
Rate of Chlamydia cases per 100,000	Oregon Average: 363.17	238.4	286.7	293.7	271.8	
Rate of suicide deaths per 100,000	Healthy People 2020: 10.2	14.6	15.8	14.0		
Population-Based Immunization Rate (4:3:1:3:3:1)	Oregon Average: 72.6%	66.4%	73.4%	71.6%	67.1%	
Rate of deaths due to falls per 100,000	Healthy People 2020: 7.0	14.1	13.5	10.9		
Rate of tobacco-related deaths per 100,000	State of Oregon: 162.85	139.5	143.8	137.2		
Rate of drug-induced deaths per 100,000	Healthy People 2020: 11.3	14.4	13.3	14.6		
Adults with permanent teeth removed (OR state)	US Average: 44.5%				41.1%	
Untreated decay among children 6-9 years of age	Oregon Average: 20%				17%	

\*Indicators determined based on Clackamas County Health Assessments

Green values indicate benchmark met  
Red values indicate benchmark not met

# Clackamas County: \*Top Health Indicators

Health Behaviors/Environmental Health Measures						
Performance Measure	Benchmark	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Percentage of all restaurants within the county that are fast-food establishments	Oregon Average: 43% (2010)	46.7%	45.8%	45.7%		
Current adult smokers (100 cigarettes in lifetime and smoke every or some days)	Healthy People 2020: 12.0%	15.4%		14.3%		
Current smokers among 11 <sup>th</sup> graders (at least one cigarette in the last 30 days)	Oregon Average: 15.4% (2008)	17.6%				
Air pollution – particulate matter	Oregon Average: 8.9 (2013)					9.4
Severe housing problems	US Average: 9% (2013)					18%
Long commute – driving alone	Oregon Average: 26% (2013)					39%

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# Social Determinates of Health



NOTE: Only 10% of health is based on medical care.

# The Board of County Commissioners is the Local Public Health Authority

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# H3S / Public Health Division

## Core Services

- ***Access to birth & death records***
- ***Communicable Disease*** monitoring to stop and prevent the spread of infectious diseases
- ***Emergency Preparedness***, response and ensuring safety of the public's health during an emergency
- ***Environmental Health Services*** such as drinking water safety and food inspections
- ***Linking people to health services*** to make sure they receive the medical and dental care they need
- ***Maternal & child health programs***, including WIC and home visiting nurses
- ***Community health assessments*** to collect and analyze health data
- ***Community engagement*** through education programs and community improvement planning

# 10 Essential Public Health Services



*Developed by the CDC's Center for National Public Health Performance Standards*

# Upcoming Opportunities for the BCC

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# Electronic Cigarettes (e-cigarettes)

- E-cigarettes are electronic vaping devices
- An emerging public health issue due to being targeted towards youth
- FDA and state legislature are exploring how to regulate these fairly new products
- H3S / Public Health Division will be bringing forward a proposal to update the County's smoking policy to include e-cigarettes