

2024

Health First Indiana:



Core Public Health Services
Objectives and Strategies

Vigo County
Health Department

HEALTH FIRST INDIANA (HFI)

Core Public Health Services

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At least 60% of HFI funding must be spent on these core services



Communicable disease prevention and control



Vital records



Tobacco prevention and cessation



Student health



Fatality review (child, suicide, overdose)



Maternal and child health



Testing/counseling for HIV, HCV, STI



TB control and case management



Emergency preparedness



Referrals to clinical care



Chronic disease prevention and reduction



Childhood lead screenings and case management



Trauma and injury prevention and education



Child and adult immunizations

No more than 40% of funding may be spent on these core services



Food protection



Pest/vector control and abatement



Public/semipublic pool inspection and testing



Residential onsite sewage system permitting and inspections



Orders for decontamination of property used to illegally manufacture controlled substances



Sanitary inspection and surveys of public buildings



Sanitary operation of tattoo parlors and body piercing facilities



Sanitary operation of facilities where eyelash extensions are performed

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Core public health services must be provided by the local health department or a local organization in partnership with the local health department in compliance with Health First Indiana. The local health department will report on key performance indicators to the Indiana Department of Health

Core Public Health Services

Health First Indiana

Key Performance Indicators (KPI) for the State of Indiana

At least 60% of funding must be spent for preventive core services:

Tobacco Prevention and Cessation

- LHDs shall promote tobacco and addictive nicotine prevention and cessation programs and services.
- LHDs should provide a representative to the local tobacco control coalition if one exists. If one does not exist, LHDs should work with partners to develop or join an existing tobacco control coalition.

Chronic Disease Prevention

- LHDs should engage in services that will prevent and reduce chronic diseases such as obesity, diabetes, cardiovascular disease (including hypertension and hyperlipidemia), hepatitis C, and cancer.

Trauma and Injury Prevention

- LHDs should engage community and/or regional partners in the coordination of harm reduction for substance use, such as naloxone distribution, and peer recovery and rehabilitation services, and/or trauma and injury prevention initiatives.
- LHDs should engage in education and community coordination to help educate and promote safe sleep, child safety car seats and bicycle helmets for children.

Fatality Review

- LHDs shall participate on local Fatality Review Teams, including Child Fatality Review, Fetal-Infant Mortality Review, and Suicide-Overdose Fatality Review as required in statute to include:
 - *providing local Fatality Review Teams with vital records necessary to review deaths, including birth, stillbirth, and death certificates,*
 - *working with local Fatality Review Teams to ensure annual reports are submitted to IDOH,*
 - *working with community partners to ensure that fatality prevention initiatives are implemented in the local community, and*
 - *developing equity-focused fatality prevention strategies to address disparities in maternal and infant mortality.*

Maternal and Child Health

- LHDs should provide or ensure direct or warm referrals/linkage to care and resources as warranted to family planning, prenatal care, WIC services, home visiting services, substance use treatment, or services to assist clients in applying for Medicaid and presumptive eligibility.
- LHDs should provide health promotion and materials to support safe sleep, breastfeeding, healthy eating and physical activity, and clinical referrals as needed.
- LHDs should develop equity-focused strategies to improve infant and maternal health outcomes.

School Health Liaison

- LHDs shall have a school health liaison, with schedule to be based on community need, whose focus is schools and serves as a local resource for all K-12 schools within the county and local public resource for all schools. Activities could include:

**Partnering to implement school wellness policies, including a comprehensive strategy to address substance use in schools,*

**Partnering with schools to promote whole child health, including physical, mental and student health and wellbeing,*

**Supporting schools in performing health screenings, such as vision, hearing and oral health,*

**Collaborating and enhancing of current vaccination efforts to ensure childhood vaccine requirements and seasonal vaccine needs are addressed,*

**Developing and collaborating with school and community partners to help support school needs, and*

**Supporting schools with evidence-based education on nutrition and physical activity.*

Lead Case Management and Risk Assessment

- LHDs shall ensure there is an IDOH-trained lead case manager on staff, or one available to their jurisdiction, to conduct case management within timeframes outlined in 410 IAC 29.
- LHDs shall ensure there is a licensed Lead Risk Assessor on staff, or available to their jurisdiction, to conduct assessments within timeframes outlined in 410 IAC 29.
- LHDs should ensure no-cost lead testing for children under 7 years is available within their jurisdiction.

Access to and Linkage to Clinical Care

- LHDs shall employ at least one full-time public health nurse with expertise to:

**provide clinical services, such as those related to communicable diseases, lead case management, and immunizations, and*

**refer residents to clinical resources, such as those related to substance use disorder, health screenings, and prenatal care.*

- LHDs should maintain an assigned staff member to address after hours calls for public health emergencies, such as urgent communicable disease cases.

Tuberculosis (TB) Prevention and Case Management

- LHDs should provide or ensure case management for those with suspected or confirmed TB disease, including investigation and specimen collection, enforcing isolation, providing directly observed therapy, and coordinating clinical and social needs.
- LHDs should conduct investigations for those diagnosed with infectious TB disease, including contact identification, education, testing, and treatment (as needed).
- LHDs should coordinate clinical follow-up for those designated with a Class B immigration status and provide or ensure case management and directly observed therapy for TB if needed.

LHDs should work with IDOH to identify and treat latent TB infection (LTBI) according to the IDOH TB Elimination Plan.

- LHDs should be aware of the socioeconomic, environmental, and behavioral factors that place individuals in their communities at risk, such as housing/crowding, sexual behaviors, and underrepresented/underserved individuals.

Health-Related Areas during Emergencies/Disasters

- LHDs shall maintain at least a 0.5 FTE dedicated preparedness coordinator who actively participates in their district Healthcare Coalition and engages in county-level emergency planning, including outbreak and environmental health responses, to link public health and public safety.
- LHDs should actively participate in online resource tracking for emergency response.
- LHDs should act as lead for Emergency Support Function (ESF)-8 for their jurisdiction during emergency and disasters.
- LHDs should be the primary safety net to ensure equitable, accessible vaccines and other medical countermeasures as needed in an emergency.

Immunizations

- LHDs should offer vaccines to all individuals, including vaccines that are publicly and privately funded, so that anyone has access to vaccines through a local health department.
- LHDs should ensure that vaccination clinics are available to meet the vaccination needs of their jurisdiction and ensure there is flexibility to meet the unique needs of all residents.
- LHDs should develop and annually evaluate vaccination plans to meet their stated vaccination goals.

Infectious Disease Surveillance and Prevention

- LHDs should review all laboratory reports and infectious disease reports that are reported to their jurisdiction.
- LHDs should initiate an investigation, obtain clinical information, facilitate collecting and shipping specimens, identify outbreaks, and assess ongoing transmission risk for immediately reportable conditions and non-immediately reportable conditions within timeframes specified in the IDOH published list of reportable diseases and control measures.
- LHDs should lead the response of identified outbreaks and clusters in their jurisdictions and implement control measures to contain, mitigate, or end ongoing transmission of communicable diseases.
- LHDs should be aware of the socioeconomic, environmental, and behavioral factors that place individuals in their communities at risk.
- LHDs should provide testing and counseling for HIV, hepatitis C, and other sexually transmitted infections.

Vital Records

- LHDs shall have an IDOH-trained registrar(s) in vital records rules, policies, procedures, and system use from IDOH and able to provide timely birth, death, and fetal death certificates in accordance with state statute.
- LHDs should use or work to onboard the IDOH DRIVE system to issue birth, death, stillbirth, and fetal death certificates.
- LHDs shall follow state policies and procedures to make any changes to vital documents in accordance with state statute.



Up to 40% of funding can be spent for these core services:

Food Protection

- LHDs should ensure sufficient, designated staff are available to conduct necessary inspections on all retail food establishments timely and professionally, such as new facility plan reviews, routine inspections, follow-up inspections, and foodborne illness complaints.
- LHD Food Inspectors should be proficient in risk-based inspection, centered on training provided by IDOH and access to continuing education on risk-based inspection.

Environmental Public Health

- LHDs shall investigate housing/nuisance/sewage complaints in a time frame reflecting the urgency of the complaint and in accordance with 410 IAC 6.
- LHDs shall conduct plan review, issue construction permits, and conduct inspections of onsite sewage systems within the timeframes listed in state statute.
- LHDs shall engage in the inspection and survey of public buildings under IC 16-20-1-22.
- LHDs shall issue orders for decontamination of property used to illegally manufacture a controlled substance under IC 16-19-3.1 and IC 16-41-25.
- LHDs shall be engaged in pest and vector control and should be engaged in routine mosquito surveillance through standardized trapping and testing procedures.
- LHDs shall conduct routine inspections and monitor testing results of public and semi-public swimming pools and promptly provide an inspection report outlining any deficiencies to the facility as outlined in 410 IAC 6.
- LHDs should provide outreach and guidance for safe private well water quality and other environmental health matters to furnish recommended testing parameters and best practices.

Tattoo, Body Piercing, Eyelash Safety and Sanitation

- LHDs should respond to sanitary complaints at establishments applying tattoos, body piercings, and eyelash extensions and provide recommendations to improve sanitary conditions to protect the public.
- LHDs shall have the capability to enforce the Indiana tattoo and body piercing rule and eyelash extension rule.

Vigo County Health Department

OPTED IN FOR 2024: \$1,280,958.50

County Match: Average of county tax levy-related funds distributed to the LHD in the preceding three years (2021, 2022, 2023).

2025: (Opt In):

Minimum: \$2,468,057.25

County Match:

Minimum: \$517,495.88

-OR-

2025 (Opt Out): \$115,211.58 (Legacy amount from Local Health Maintenance /Trust Fund).

HFI DEADLINES:

County Opt-in for 2025

1. Due by 6/1/2024 for previous opt-out counties
2. If your county does not plan to change their status, no documentation is needed.

Budget Plan

1. 2025 HFI Budget Plan due 6/1/2024 for all existing opt-in counties
2. 2025 HFI Budget Plan due 9/1/2024 for all new opt-in counties
3. 2025 Legacy Budget Plan due 10/1/2024 for opt-out counties

Budget Report (previous year)

1. 2024 HFI Budget Report expected due 3/1/2025 for all existing opt-in counties
(This will help in planning for next year's budget submission deadline.)

State-Wide KPIs

1. Baseline answers due 2/29/2024 **COMPLETED**
2. 1st semiannual requirement due 6/15/2024
3. 2nd semiannual requirement due 12/15/2024
4. You can make updates at any time if new KPIs are met.

Core Services Delivery

1. 1st semiannual requirement due 6/30/2024
2. 2nd semiannual requirement due 12/31/2024

Vigo County Health Department

Health First Indiana Plan Sections

The following are organized by
Core Public Health Services:

Vital Records

Communicable Disease Control

- * Immunizations
- * Infectious Disease Surveillance and Prevention
- * Tuberculosis Control and Case Management
- * Tattoo, Body Piercing, Eyelash Safety and Sanitation

Access and Linkage to Clinical Care

Health Related Activities During Emergencies and Disasters

Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention

- * Tobacco Cessation and Prevention
- * Trauma and Injury Prevention
- * Screening and Referrals

Environmental Public Health

- * Food Protection
- * Sanitary Operation of Facilities (Body Art)
- * Pest/Vector Control
- * Public/Semi-Public Pool Inspections
- * Residential Onsite Sewage Systems
- * Orders for Decontamination of Property

Maternal, Child, and Family Health

- * Fatality Review
- * Maternal and Child Health
- * School Health Liaison
- * Lead Case Manager and Risk Assessment

HFI: Vital Records

Core Public Health Service: Vital Records

Current Strength of Service	Strong: Fully Performing
2024 Objectives	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Provide continuity of operation during and after a natural or manmade disaster.2. Provide online/death certificate request and payments (Vital Check).
2024 Strategies	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Participate in IDOH trainings as provided.2. Update emergency action plans and To-Go kits for Vital Statistics.3. Maintain a system that accurately records all births, deaths and fetal deaths.4. Efficiently issue certified copies of records.5. Issue provisional notification of death-burial transit permits.6. Process paternities from the courts.7. Prepare affidavits of amendment and schedule appointments for people to make corrections to their birth record.8. Work with funeral homes and physicians in filing death certificates.9. Verify birth records for the Military, Social Security and Division of Family and Children.10. Assist citizens who wish to inspect birth and death records.11. Assist customers in doing genealogy.
Current and Possible Community Partners	Indiana Department of Health (IDOH) Indiana Vital Records Association Funeral Homes Vigo County Coroner's Office

HFI: Infectious Disease Prevention & Control

Core Public Health Service:
Child and Adult Immunizations



Current Strength of Service	Strong: Fully Performing
2024 Objectives	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Improve Vigo County's Immunization rates for 19-36 month olds.2. Increase HPV series in Vigo County.3. Conduct 2 school based immunization clinics at the beginning and end of school calendar to 6th and 12th grade students at schools identified with low vaccine coverage rates.4. Provide immunizations to all individuals at the time of service regardless of insurance status.
2024 Strategies	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Utilize CHIRP forecast and administer all vaccines that are required at each visit.2. Offer once a month evening clinic hours for those who are unable to access normal clinic business hours to increase access to vaccination services.3. Utilize traditional and non-traditional means of education and promotion to highlight importance and awareness of immunizations.4. Participate in community health fairs, focusing on education, awareness and availability of immunizations.5. Continue insurance billing, allowing patients with Medicaid and private insurance to receive immunizations at the health clinic.6. Mail out monthly reminder postcards of upcoming appointments and/or upcoming immunizations due.7. Utilize CHIRP to produce reminder recalls for our patients each month.8. Utilize CHIRP to generate report of patients needing to start or finish the HPV series.

<p>2024 Strategies</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 9. Participate in educational efforts to expand our knowledge about the HPV Vaccine, specifically using the <i>Maintenance of Certification</i> project. 10. Recommend the HPV vaccine the same day and the same way we do for all other adolescent vaccines. 11. Select schools with lowest vaccination coverage rates for kindergarten, sixth and twelfth grades by using data in the <i>IDOH 2022-2023 School Immunization Coverage Report Card</i>. 12. Develop a work plan in conjunction with the Vigo County School Corporation for the schools selected in order to provide vaccination clinics. 13. Conduct two immunization clinics at schools identified with lowest immunization rates. 14. Continue to provide vaccines regardless of insurance status.
<p>Current and Possible Community Partners</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"> Vigo County School Corporation IU School of Medicine, TH Minority Health Coalition ISU Sycamore Nursing Center Ivy Tech Nursing Program Saint Mary of the Woods Nursing Program Vigo County EMA Federally Qualified Health Centers IDOH </p>

HFI: Infectious Disease Prevention & Control

Core Public Health Service:

Infectious Disease Surveillance and Prevention



Current Strength of Service	Strong: Fully Performing
<p>2024 Objectives</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identify outbreaks and emerging infections. 2. Initiate a public health investigation within the period established in the 2024 Indiana Reportable Disease List. 3. Provide HIV and Hepatitis C testing. 4. Respond to emergent health needs of priority populations. 5. Ensure clients living with an infectious disease receive clinical care, treatment and wrap-around services. 6. Enhance and continue Vector Control surveillance, prevention, and control of diseases spread by arthropod (ticks/mosquitoes) as well as those transmitted from animals to people.
<p>2024 Strategies</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Continue Distributing Non- Syringe Harm Reduction Kits, equipped with wound, IV and smoking supplies. 2. Conduct TB prevention, testing, outreach, collaboration, treatment and surveillance. 3. Monitor trends utilizing NBS and Essence. 4. Manage diseases post diagnosis to slow or stop spread. 5. Educate the community on disease prevention using traditional and non-traditional means of communication. 6. Grow and sustain relationships with healthcare to meet our community needs. 7. Develop and maintain local contact list to include infection control specialist, Directors of Nursing, and representatives from key settings or provider types.
<p>Current and Possible Community Partners</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"> Medical Providers IDOH Community Support Networks People With Lived Experience Higher Education Vigo County School Corporation PACE Health Connection IU Health Positive Link </p>

HFI: Infectious Disease Prevention & Control

Core Public Health Service:

Tuberculosis Prevention & Case Management



Current Strength of Service	Strong: Fully Performing
2024 Objective	1. To reduce the incidence of and mortality due to TB.
2024 Strategies	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Provide patient-centered care for completion of treatment.2. Ensure all public health activities related to stopping TB transmission are completed.3. Expand testing for TB infection.4. Strengthen partnerships for housing, food security, and interpretation services to assist in case management services for patients with TB and latent TB infection.5. Provide education, monitoring, and patient support.6. Assure adherence and successful treatment completion.7. Participate in educational opportunities and trainings for TB case management, TB contact investigations and TB best practices.8. Identify community partners to provide targeted testing, education, TB clinical services.
Current and Possible Community Partners	Medical Providers IDOH Organizations in the community providing connections to health care Indiana State University Saint Mary of the Woods College Ivy Tech Community College Rose-Hulman College Social Service Agencies City of Terre Haute Transportation Division IU Health Positive Link

HFI: Infectious Disease Prevention & Control

Core Public Health Service:

Tattoo, Body Piercing, Eyelash Safety and Sanitation

Current Strength of Service	Strong: Fully Performing
2024 Objective	1. Ensure the safe and proper operation of the licensed body art establishments in Vigo County.
2024 Strategies	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Educate operators.2. Evaluate plan reviews, and perform opening inspections on new or remodeled body art establishments.3. Regulate general safety and sanitation standards, and proper disposal methods of infectious waste.4. Update the Body Art Ordinance.5. Inspect the individuals that are performing the body art are knowledgeable and competent.6. Offer CPR for all licensed body artist and apprentices.
Current and Possible Community Partners	Indiana Department of Health

HFI: Referrals To Clinical Care

Core Public Health Service:

Access & Linkage to Clinical Care



Current Strength of Service	Strong: Fully Performing
2024 Objectives	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Improve early identification, connection to services, and follow-up for clients in a need for referral with the goal to reduce disease and improve health outcomes. 2. Decrease client population at risk for chronic and reportable diseases, including addiction.
2024 Strategies	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Update and train staff on how to document screening, referral, and follow-up information. 2. Provide training and education on screening tools, how to refer and document screenings and referral outcomes. 3. Collaborate with other service agencies in the community to complete warm hand-offs and provide a complete referral. 4. Make a referral after discussing positive screening results with the client. 5. Provide a list of health or social service resources in the community at time of referral. 6. Incorporate screening, referral, and follow-up into organizational procedures.
Current and Possible Community Partners	<p>Hospitals and health systems Organizations in the community providing connections to health care IDOH Higher Education Community based food pantries, soup kitchens and shelters. Faith Based Community WIC Mobile Units Private and public schools Federally Qualified Health Centers IU Health Positive Link PACE Clinic</p>

HFI: Emergency Preparedness

Core Public Health Service:

Emergencies & Disasters



Current Strength of Service	Strong: Fully Performing
2024 Objectives	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Ensure the health department's ability to continue operating after a disaster.2. Improve collaboration and coordination across District 7, to build capacity, enhance services and foster readiness for effective emergency and disaster response.3. Minimize the impact of outbreaks, large-scale events, and natural or manmade disasters.
2024 Strategies	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Participate in District 7 Health Care Coalition.2. Facilitate communication, information and resource sharing.3. Identify trainings, drills and exercises for health department staff.4. Update emergency preparedness, mitigation, response and recovery guidelines/plans to adhere to current best practices.5. Communicate to the public the importance of having an emergency response plan to be better prepared for outbreaks, large-scale events and natural or manmade disasters.
Current and Possible Community Partners	IDOH Indiana Department of Homeland Security District 7: Task Force 7 Vigo County EMA Union Health Law Enforcement First Responders Mental Health Providers Indiana State University Ivy Tech Saint Mary of the Woods College Rose-Hulman College Department of Justice: Federal Bureau of Prisons

HFI: Chronic Disease Prevention & Reduction

Core Public Health Service:

Obesity Prevention

Current Strength of Service	Moderate: Partially Performing
<p>2024 Objectives</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Decrease the percentage of adults who are obese. 2. Focus on prevention through children. 3. Increase access to and consumption of healthy foods and beverages to provide low-income neighborhoods access to affordable fresh fruits and vegetables. 4. Increase knowledge of food safety, nutrition and healthy eating. 5. Increase opportunities for and engagement in regular physical activity.
<p>2024 Strategies</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop large-scale media campaigns that deliver messages by television, radio, newspaper, and social media. 2. Encourage use of parks, paths and trails. 3. Develop individually adapted health behavior change programs. 4. Enhance school-based physical education. 5. Discuss and assess community design changes to enhance access, provide encouragement to move naturally, provide safe environmental changes such as streetlights, ramped curbs and repaired sidewalks.
<p>Current and Possible Community Partners</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"> City of Terre Haute Vigo County Parks & Recreation Union Health Purdue Extension CHANCES and Services for Youth Community Centers Catholic Charities Food pantries and soup kitchens Vigo County School Corporation Lugar Center for Rural Health Early Childhood Education and Daycares Chamber of Commerce Worksites </p>

HFI: Chronic Disease Prevention & Reduction

Core Public Health Service:

Tobacco Prevention & Cessation



Current Strength of Service	Strong: Fully Performing
<p>2024 Objectives</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Strengthen the tobacco prevention and cessation coalition to ensure comprehensive programs are available to address youth tobacco and addictive nicotine prevention. 2. Reduce current tobacco & vaping use among adult and adolescents. 3. Work to include disparately affected populations such as veterans, minorities and those with disabilities. 4. Reduce the cancer rates associated with nicotine and tobacco.
<p>2024 Strategies</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Collaborate with county schools to provide vaping education, prevention and cessation services. 2. Collaborate with community agencies to provide tobacco cessation programs. 3. Collaborate with community agencies to provide tobacco and vaping prevention education. 4. Participate in the Tobacco Free Vigo and Tobacco Prevention and Cessation Coalition. 5. Act as a resource for individuals, health care providers, businesses, and organization in the community to make the best use of free, evidence-based resources for helping people transition to being tobacco free. 6. Enforce the Vigo County Clean Indoor Air Ordinance, which includes vaping.
<p>Current and Possible Community Partners</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"> Health Care IDOH Drug Free Vigo (CASYS) Purdue Extension Education Business Housing Minority Health Coalition </p>

HFI: Chronic Disease Prevention & Reduction

Core Public Health Service:

Trauma & Injury Prevention

Current Strength of Service	Moderate: Partially Performing
<p>2024 Objectives</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identify the leading cause of injury and/or harm and implement comprehensive, evidence-based programs or activities for prevention. 2. Prevent intentional and unintentional injuries to keep people safe in their homes, workplaces, and community. 3. Prevent and intervene in health and social problems afflicting our community and populations at large. 4. Lessen the growing number of individuals who suffer from mental illness and drug addiction in the criminal justice system.
<p>2024 Strategies</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Hire certified Peer Recovery Coach to address adverse behavioral health outcomes as per IC 16-30-3-2.4. 2. Help others to create their recovery plan and develop recovery pathways. 3. Hire social worker to provide resources, address widespread health problems and social issues within our community. 4. Distribute Narcan, harm reduction kits equipped with supplies for wound care, intravenous drug use and smoking. 5. Train Vigo County Government employees to provide CPR, first aid in a safe, timely and effective manner. 6. Participate on the FEMR, CFR and Suicide or Overdose Review Team. 7. Participate in Community Action Network.
<p>Current and Possible Community Partners</p>	<p>Vigo County Courts, Jail and Public Defender’s Office Operation Lifeline IDOH ESSENCE Surveillance System Health Care Professionals, including Mental Health Providers Law Enforcement and First Responders Purdue Extension Chances and Services for Youth Recovery Community United Way of the Wabash Valley</p>

HFI: Chronic Disease Prevention & Reduction

Core Public Health Service: Screenings & Referrals

Current Strength of Service	Strong: Fully Performing
2024 Objectives	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Improve early identification, connection to services, and follow-up for clients in a need for referral with the goal to reduce disease and improve health outcomes. 2. Decrease client population at risk for diseases, including addiction.
2024 Strategies	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Update and train staff on how to document screening, referral, and follow-up information. 2. Provide training and education to staff on how to use screening tools, how to refer and document screening and referral outcomes. 3. Collaborate with other service agencies in the community to complete warm hand-offs and provide a complete referral. 4. Make a referral after discussing positive screening results with the client. 5. Provide a list of health or social service resources in the community at time of referral. 6. Incorporate screening, referral, and follow-up into organizational procedures.
Current and Possible Community Partners	<p>Hospitals and health systems Organizations in the community providing connections to health care IDOH Community based food pantries, soup kitchens and shelters. Faith Based Community WIC Private and public schools. Law Enforcement EMS Judicial System</p>

HFI: Environmental Public Health

Core Public Health Services:

Food Protection, Pest/Vector Control, Public/Semi-Public Pool Inspection and Testing, Sanitary Operation of Facilities where Eyelash Extensions are Performed, Sanitary Operation of Tattoo Parlors & Body Piercing Facilities, Residential Onsite Sewage System Permitting and Inspections, Orders for Decontamination of Property Used to Illegally Manufacture Controlled Substances

Current Strength of Service	Strong: Fully Performing
2024 Objectives	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Reduce the risk of disease and death from pathogens carried by animals and/or vectors.2. Protect public health and the environment by ensuring compliance with State laws and County ordinances pertaining to a wide variety of environmental health programs.3. Reduce the potential for disease transmission and assure safety of waters used for recreational purposes.4. Ensure the safe and proper operation of all licensed establishments in Vigo County.
2024 Strategies	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Perform routine inspections and investigations and take enforcement action when warranted.2. Interact with various federal, state, regional and local governmental agencies associated with environmental health programs.3. License and inspect all retail food and body art establishments within Vigo County.4. Review and inspect the planning, installation, and repair of on-site sewage disposal systems for licensing approval.5. Continue recreational water program, which includes the licensing, inspection and review of bacteriological reports of swimming and wading pools, spas, therapy pools, and public access beaches.6. Educate operators, evaluate plan reviews, and perform opening inspections on new or remodeled body art establishments and retail food establishments. .7. Address housing and property complaints in a timely manner.8. Educate and test for residential mold.

<p>2024 Strategies</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 9. Follow children with elevated blood lead levels of 5 µg or more and provide parent education and blood testing of children with elevated blood lead levels of 5 µg/dL or more. This includes educating the parents and conducting a risk assessment of the home. 10. Intensify local culex and aedes mosquito larval control to prevent the emergence of adult mosquitoes that feed on birds and contribute to the virus transmission cycle. 11. Continue active West Nile surveillance to determine the presence of new or expanding West Nile transmission. (Light traps-Adult mosquito testing) 12. Reinforce public education and outreach programs to reduce mosquito- breeding sites around homes. 13. Educate on personal protective measures (long sleeves, insect repellent) with the use of the media (TV, radio and newspapers) and social media. 14. Implement local mosquito control to reduce the number of virus-infected mosquitoes, thus reducing the immediate risk to humans. 15. Monitor adult and larval mosquito control efforts to ensure that the local programs are effectively reducing mosquito densities and virus infection rates. 16. Enforce Tire Storage Ordinance by conducting inspections of local tire retailers and junkyards. 17. Investigate complaints about rodents/pests and make recommendations to the property owner on findings and rodent control (i.e. removal of debris, animal feces). 18. Conduct Tire Amnesty Program until the first frost of the season. 19. Update the Body Art Ordinance to include eyelash extensions.
<p>Current and Possible Community Partners</p>	<p>Various federal, state, regional and local governmental agencies associated with environmental health programs.</p> <p>Media</p>

HFI: Maternal, Family & Child Health

Core Public Health Service:

Fatality Review 

Current Strength of Service	Strong: Fully Performing
2024 Objectives	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Reduce the number of preventable deaths in Vigo County. 2. Improve the response to fetal, child, suicide and overdose fatalities. 3. Continue participation on the Fetal Infant Mortality Review Team, Child Fatality Review Team and Suicide & Overdose Review Team.
2024 Strategies	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Orient meetings around fatality prevention, not fatality review. 2. Create and provide prevention and equity questions for consistent use at meetings. 3. Identify opportunities for intervention and prevention implementation for individuals at high-risk for overdose. 4. Partner to develop and improve cross-system coordination and collaboration. 5. Assist with the implementation, assessment, and development of best practices of prevention efforts. 6. Identify the leading cases of accidental death and injury in Vigo County. 7. Assess current programming and education on prevention of leading causes of death and injury in Vigo County. 8. Collaborate with community organizations to provide education and resources to county residents to prevent the leading causes of death and injury in Vigo County.
Current and Possible Community Partners	<p>United Way of the Wabash Valley Substance Use Disorder Council FEMR Team Child Fatality Review Team Suicide & Overdose Review Team Recovery Community Chances and Services for Youth All Babies Initiative Dads Matter Coalition Luger Center for Rural Health</p>

HFI: Maternal, Family & Child Health

Core Public Health Service:

Maternal & Child Health 

Current Strength of Service	Strong: Fully Performing
2024 Objectives	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Implement a patient centric approach aimed at yielding better results especially among low-income women by enhancing the relationships between patients, their family members, informal caregivers, community-based advocacy and resource groups, as well as the healthcare community. 2. Improve women’s health and family wellness while decreasing infant mortality across the target region. 3. Promote system’s change.
2024 Strategies	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Assist with the implementation, assessment, and development of best practices of prevention efforts. 2. Continue to engage with existing partners in our Community Action Network (CAN). 3. Serve on the Dad’s Matter Coalition, which includes the Father Mentoring Program. 4. Provide Vigo County’s birth information for data collection information. 5. Participate on the district FIMR and CFR. 6. Provide and promote educational materials in regards to maternal health and infant care choices in our clinic and vital statistics division.
Current and Possible Community Partners	<p style="text-align: center;"> Union Health Chances and Services for Youth Hamilton Center Crisis Pregnancy Center Lugar Center Minority Health Coalition Valley Professionals Community Health Center (FQHC) Wabash Valley Health Center (FQHC) </p>

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Core Public Health Service:

School Health Liaison



Current Strength of Service	Moderate: Partially Performing
<p>2024 Objectives</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Continue and enhance collaborative services tailored to the needs of the Vigo County School Corporation. 2. Provide school-requested health trainings for staff in-services. 3. Collaborate with organizations to provide school-requested educational services.
<p>2024 Strategies</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Address chronic diseases caused by obesity by teaching a lifelong physical activity to all elementary and middle school students in Vigo County utilizing the First Tee Program. 2. Conduct two immunization clinics at schools identified with lowest immunization rates. 3. Collaborate with the courts (working with children and families going through divorce and custody disputes) to provide life skills, health and wellness education, therapy and other services in the Vigo County Schools. 4. Teach and re-enforce handwashing and hand hygiene in the local schools. 5. Provide Narcan to all Vigo County Schools. 6. Provide Epi-Pens to all Vigo County Schools.
<p>Current and Possible Community Partners</p>	<p>Vigo County School Corporation Saint Patrick School East Side Christian Academy Lugar Center for Rural Health Indiana First Tee Program Chances and Services for Youth Vigo County Family Court Division 2 IDOH Overdose Lifeline</p>

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Core Public Health Service:

Lead Case Manager & Risk Assessment



Current Strength of Service	Strong: Fully Performing
2024 Objectives	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. To have three additional environmental health specialists complete training and exam to become licensed lead risk assessor and inspector.2. Provide lead case management, lead screening and lead testing activities.3. Provide community education concerning lead exposure, lead poisoning, and lead reduction through written material, social media and community events.
2024 Strategies	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Collaborate with community organizations to ensure lead case management clients have access to education, clinical care, treatment, and wrap-around services.2. Provide lead education to Vigo County residents using print, social media, media, billboards and community event participation.3. Collaborate with community organizations to provide lead education.4. Create policies and procedures to guide homeowners through lead abatement requirements.5. Resource the XRF (x-ray fluorescence analyzer) for Lead Risk Assessments.
Current and Possible Community Partners	Terre Haute Apartment Association Terre Haute Housing Authority WIC Purdue Extension Early Head Start/Head Start Indiana Department of Child Services Vigo County School Corporation Preschools and Day Cares IDOH