

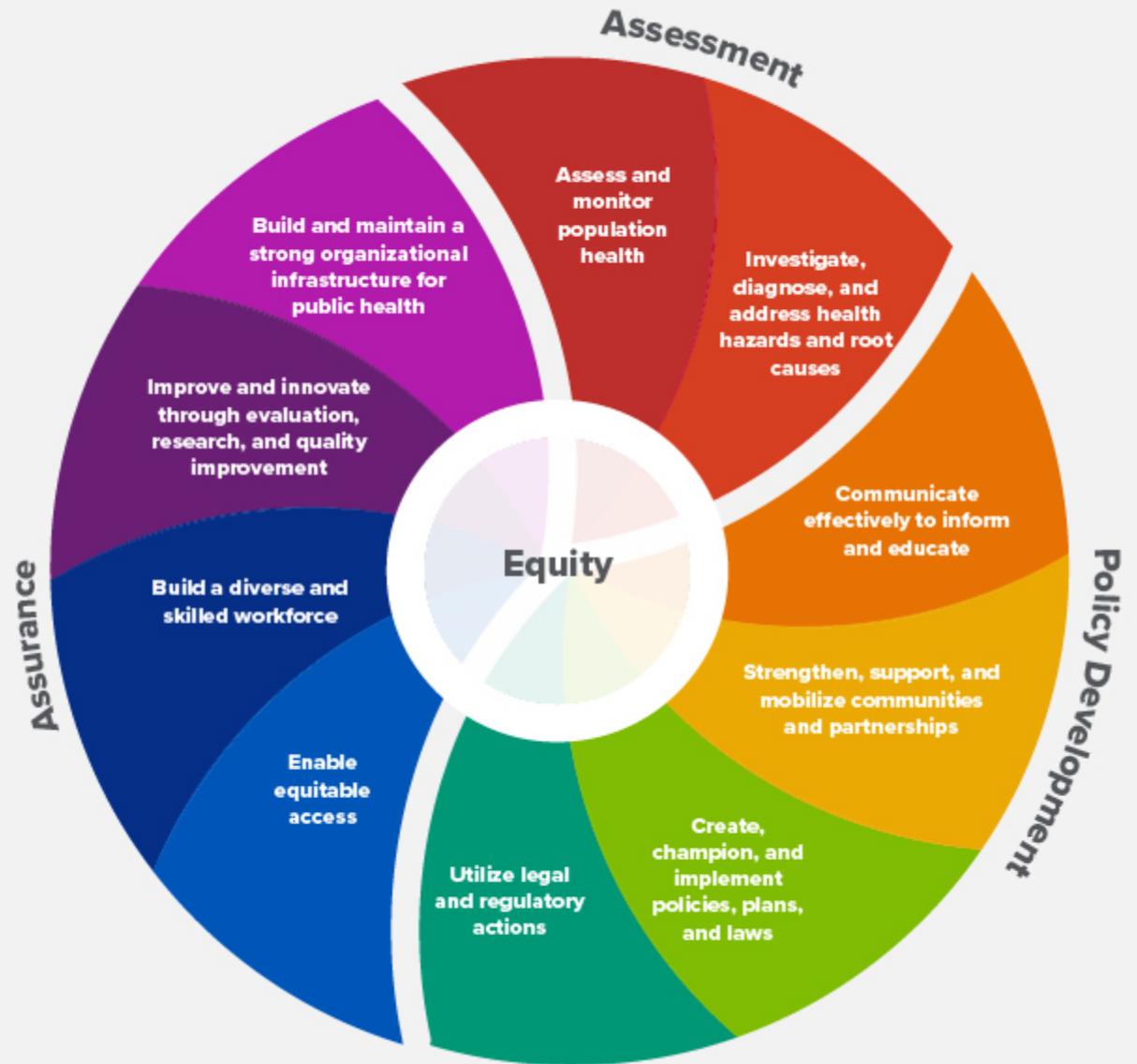
Department of Health

Budget Presentation

March 2022

THE 10 ESSENTIAL PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES

*To protect and promote the
health of all people in all
communities*



Department of Health Overview

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT FOR ONGOING PANDEMIC RESPONSE



Working collaboratively with community partners to provide outreach, education, and vaccine clinics ensuring equitable access to vaccines in neighborhoods throughout the city – 96% of those eligible initiated vaccine (all divisions participate)



Provide vaccines/boosters to First Responders, homebound residents, school children, general public

Coordinated COVID test sites to ensure access for residents.

Distribute masks and home COVID tests to agencies and residents.



Contact tracing teams contact and provide guidance to individual cases/contacts, schools, daycares/pre-schools, nursing homes/assisted living and senior residences 8:30am – 8pm daily.

Department of Health Overview

Environmental Health

- Inspections
 - Food Establishments
 - Multiple Family Dwellings
 - Septic
 - Personal Care
 - Weights & Measures
 - Lead
- Response to Complaints
 - Housing
 - Unsanitary Conditions
 - Noise

Laboratory

- Water Testing
 - Beaches
 - Wells
 - Schools
- Vector borne disease management
- Vaccine management

Nursing & Dental

- Community nursing-infectious disease management, well child/immunizations
- School Nursing – Nursing care for school students

Behavioral Health, Health Promotion & Emergency Response

- Manages health promotion information
- Manages emergency response, Medical Reserve Corps (MRC), Open shelters

STAFFING OVERVIEW

Ms. Jody Bishop-Pullan

Acting Director of Health

Health Administration

7

Administrative Supervisor

1

Behavioral Health, Health
Promotion & Emergency
Response Specialist

1

Office Support Specialist
(OSS)

2

Account Clerk

1

Outreach Worker

1

Environmental Health & Inspection Services

14

Assistant Director of Health &
Director of Environmental
Health Inspections

1

Inspectors

13

Nursing and Dental Services

45

Director of Nursing &
Dental Services

1

Advanced Practice
Registered Nurse (APRN)

1

Nurse Supervisors

2

Public Health Nurse I
(PHN I)

37

Dental Hygienist

3

Dental Case
Manager/Administrator

1

Laboratory Services

2

Director of Laboratory

1

Lab Technician

1

Proposed Changes/Expanded Services

Part Time, Per Diem Nurse(s) to cover School Nurse Absences

Needed to provide school nursing care when nurses are out; increased acuity of care requires non-delegated nursing services be provided.

Restore Dental Case Manager position

Required to perform preventive dental services and administrative functions to maintain child health.

Administrative Assistant changed to Supervisor

Change created to reflect job duties.

Service Improvements



Hired 2 temporary data support staff to transfer data from one program to another and review revenue which resulted in the collection of delinquent and current fees.



Enhanced workflow for online system for inspections, permits, licenses and fees to improve experience for internal and external users.



Filled Director of Environmental Inspection position and 3/5 inspector vacancies.



Integration of EMR with CT Wiz vaccine manager
Filled 5/8 nursing vacancies;

***** Recruitment and retention of public health and healthcare staff continues to be a challenge for the department *****