



Meeting Notice

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Washington residents' health tops Board of Health's January agenda

Wednesday, Jan. 11, 12:30 to 5 p.m., Room 158, Town Center 2, 111 Israel Road S.E., Tumwater

OLYMPIA – At its January 11 meeting, the Washington State Board of Health will hear about the leading causes of chronic disease and death in Washington. The Washington State Department of Health will provide this briefing, as well as an update on Washington's immunization rates. The board will also hear about challenges local public health agencies face.

In addition, the board will review a rule delegation request about water recreation facilities, and plans to discuss the 2012 legislative session. The board may also act on a petition for rulemaking regarding rabies vaccination requirements for certain pets.

The meeting is open and the public may provide testimony on any public health issue at about 2:15 p.m. Copies of the agenda and related materials are available by contacting the board at 360-236-4100 or on the [Board of Health website](http://www.sboh.wa.gov) (www.sboh.wa.gov). The emergency and media contact number for the board during the meeting is 360-701-2398.

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The board's mission is to provide statewide leadership in advancing policies that protect and improve the public's health. It does this by reviewing and monitoring the health status of all people in Washington; analyzing policies, providing guidance, and developing rules; promoting system partnerships; and encouraging public engagement in the public health system. For more information, visit the [Board of Health website](http://www.sboh.wa.gov) (www.sboh.wa.gov/).