Division Purpose
Support the agency mission by collaborating with our partners and stakeholders to enhance the health of individuals, families and communities and eliminate health inequities.

Agency Mission
Work with others to protect and improve the health of all people in Washington State.

**F O U N D A T I O N**

**What we do**
- Promote statewide policy, environmental and system changes.
- Support community driven solutions to local issues.
- Help organizations and agencies adopt practices and policies to improve health and safety.
- Educate parents, peers and providers to use their role to influence the health of others.
- Improve the knowledge and skills of individuals to care for themselves and their families.

**In order to . . .**
- Prevent disease and injury.
- Promote a healthy start and healthy choices.
- Improve access to and quality of healthcare services.
- Provide linkages to community resources.
- Ensure health equity and improve population health.

**How we do it**
- Develop and support our people.
- Improve our business practices and processes.
- Pursue and allocate resources.
- Communicate strategically and skillfully.
- Assess and evaluate data.
- Apply evidence-based public health.
- Convene partners.
- Provide technical assistance and consultation.
- Lead change.
- Be available, accountable and transparent.
- Add value and maintain the public’s trust.
- Use science, data and best practices to guide our work.
- Keep getting better.

**MAKING THE CONNECTION**

**Agency Focus Areas**
Division connection to the agency strategic plan and Results Washington

**Healthiest Next Generation:**
Ensure all children in Washington achieve their highest health potential

- Give all babies a planned, healthy start in life.
- Ensure all children have appropriate developmental screenings and access to services.
- Increase immunization rates in all children.
- Create environments and systems that support healthy eating and active living.
- Promote safe, stable, nurturing relationships and environments, including preventing and mitigating Adverse Childhood Experiences and other complex trauma.
- Reduce the use of tobacco, e-cigarettes/vaping devices and marijuana in persons under 21 years old.

**Healthy Living, Healthy Aging:**
Ensure health equity and improve population health

- Reduce and prevent suicide, violence, and firearm injuries and deaths.
- Promote behavioral health and prevent mental illness.
- Implement public health elements of Healthier Washington.
- Promote built environments that support health.

**Agency Strategic Plan Objectives**

**Results Washington Goal 4 Measures**

- Decrease infant mortality.
- Decrease low birth weight in Black and American Indian/Alaska Native infants.
- Decrease unintended pregnancy.

- Increase toddler immunizations.
- Increase healthy weight in 10th graders.
- Decrease smoking among 10th graders and contain the use of e-cigarettes, vape pens and marijuana.
- Decrease smoking among adults, including those with low education.
- Decrease adults reporting fair or poor health.
- Reduce suicide death rate.
- Increase healthy weight in Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander, American Indian/Alaska Native, Black and Hispanic adults.