



WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT
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Introduction to the Wisconsin State Health Plan

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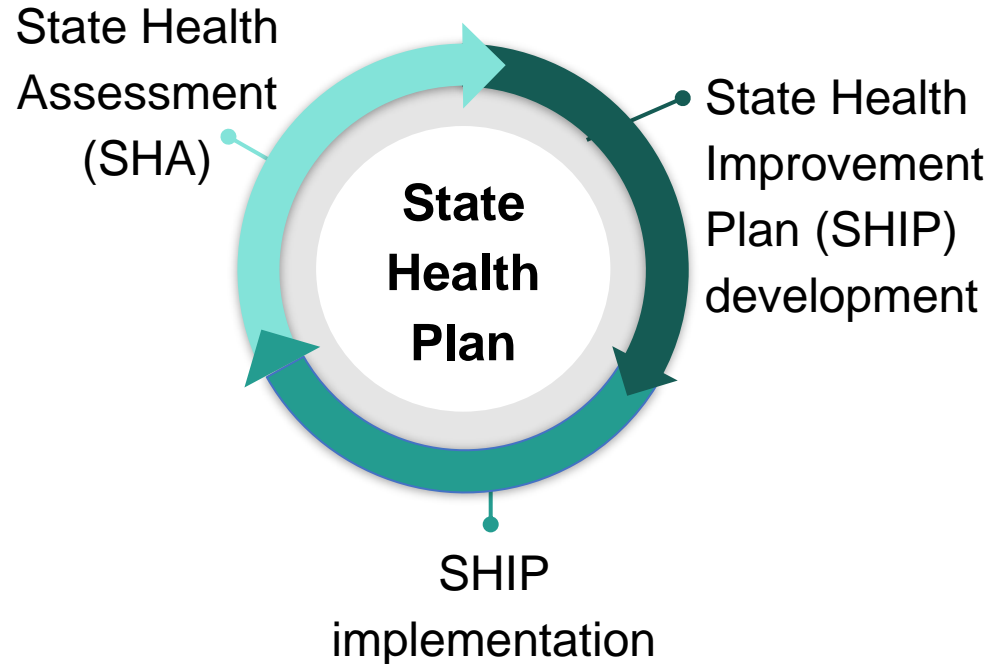
Statutory mandate

A “**public health agenda**” created through “a process for planning to use the resources of the state to meet the health needs of residents and, in conjunction with other state agencies, to implement the objectives that relate to state government in statutes or in public health rules promulgated by the department. The process shall involve representatives from public health organizations, governmental agencies and the general public.”

- Wis. Stat. § 250.07(1)(a)

Wisconsin State Health Plan

- Mandated public health and policy agenda
- Platform to collaborate with partners working on priority areas
- Alignment with local CHA/CHIPs



VISION: All people and communities in Wisconsin have the opportunities and supports they need to reach their full potential

Foundational shifts

Institutional and systemic fairness

Representation and access to decision-making

Community-centered resources and services

Priority areas

Social and community conditions

- Economic well-being
- Supportive systems of care
- **Healthy housing**

Physical, mental, and systemic safety

Person and community centered health care

Social connectedness and belonging

Mental and emotional health and well-being



How were the priority areas determined?

- Extensive community outreach
 - Over 74 community conversations and listening sessions in 2019
 - Post-pandemic community conversations in 2023
- Thousands of data points
- Partner input

Ending Homelessness through State-CoC Partnerships

- Pandemic beginnings under ESF-6
- Shift to longer-term goals
 - Deeper integration of health and homelessness services
 - Continued collaboration in times of crisis
- Current membership
 - CoC representatives
 - DHS representatives from all divisions
 - DOA/Interagency Council on Homelessness
 - Other partners as needed

Connection with local planning

- All local health departments in Wisconsin are mandated to develop and implement community health improvement plans (CHIPs).
- Some Tribal health departments also develop CHIPs to meet accreditation requirements.
- The CHIPs often utilize the SHIP as guidance.
- Many health departments in Wisconsin are currently prioritizing housing and homelessness as priority areas to address.

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- Carrie can make a connection!

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