



**New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services  
Division of Public Health Services**



# Creating a Regional Public Health System in New Hampshire

**Goal – To develop a performance-based public health delivery system, which provides all 10 essential services throughout New Hampshire**

## What We Know Today

There will be a new map of public health regions derived with stakeholder input.

There will be a tiered system of public health including primary and comprehensive entities.

These public health entities will deliver or assure the essential services based on national standards.

Their capacity to do so will grow over time

Public health entities will be linked to local/regional government

Laws will be changed to provide proper statutory authority

The state will continue to provide some local/regional services such as disease investigation

## How We Will Get There

**Finalize Regional Map**  
February 2010

**Assessments**  
June 2008– February 2010

- Financial analysis of all public health funding with consideration of efficiencies of regionalization
- Assessment of local/regional public health entities' capacity to deliver the 10 essential services with gaps analysis
- Assessment of what a local link to government might look like

**Develop a Plan**  
March 2010

Develop a comprehensive plan for regionalized public health in New Hampshire based on assessment findings



## What *Might* a Primary Public Health Entity Look Like?

### Core Staff

- Public Health Administrator
- Support Staff
- Nurse or Health Educator
- Environmental Health Specialist

### Shared Multi-Regional Staff

- Epidemiologist
- Emergency Preparedness Coordinator
- Medical Consultant

### Coordinate with local health officers

### House State food inspector for the region

### Work under the auspices of a governmental public health council

### Provide or assure for provision of the essential services possibly starting with a subset

### Coordinate with the State on some services such as disease investigation

# NH All Health Hazard Regions August 2009

-  1. Great North Woods
-  2. Upper Valley
-  3. Greater Plymouth
-  4. Carroll County
-  5. Greater Sullivan County
-  6. Franklin/Bristol
-  7. Laconia/Meredith
-  8. Greater Monadnock
-  9. Greater Concord
-  10. Strafford County
-  11. Greater Manchester
-  12. Greater Nashua
-  13. Greater Derry
-  14. Greater Exeter
-  15. Greater Portsmouth

