



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

Draw a new map
May 2008

Assessments
June 2008- March 2009



- 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

Pilots
2009

Develop a plan to implement the proposed new model in selected regions

Develop a plan based on assessment and pilots

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