

# Henry County Health Department

2025

## Health First Indiana Objectives and Strategies



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Health Department  
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# Core Public Health Services and Key Performance Indicators:

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## HENRY COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT SCORECARD



### Fully Performing

- Vital Records
- Communicable Disease Control: Tattoo Parlors and Body Piercing Facilities & Eyelash Extensions
- Environmental Health: Food Protection
- Environmental Health: Sanitary Operation of Facilities (Tattoo, Body Piercing, Eyelash Safety)
- Environmental Health: Public and Semi-Public Pools
- Environmental Health: Residential Onsite Sewage Systems

### Partially Performing

- Immunizations
- Communicable Disease Control: Infectious Disease Prevention and Surveillance
- Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention: Tobacco Prevention and Cessation
- Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention: Trauma and Injury Prevention
- Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention: Screenings and Referrals
- Environmental Health: Pest/Vector Control














### Not Performing



None identified at this time.

All required core public health services are currently at least partially performing, with several areas fully performing.

## Henry County Health First Indiana Plan Core Public Health Services and Key Performance Indicators

 Tobacco and Vaping Prevention and Cessation	 Lead Case Management and Risk Assessment	 Tuberculosis (TB) Prevention and Case Management
 School Health Liaison	 Immunizations	 Vital Records
 Health-Related Areas during Emergencies/Disasters	 Trauma and Injury Prevention	 Fatality Review
 Chronic Disease Prevention	 Access to and Linkage to Clinical Care	 Maternal and Child Health
 Food Protection	 Infectious Disease Prevention and Control	 Environmental Public Health

### Health First Henry County Health Scorecard

Metric	Indiana Rate	Henry Counties	Henry County Rankings
Adult Obesity	44%	47.1%	#57
Children <3 Years Old Completing Recommended Vaccine Series	62.9%	72.7%	#20
Infant Mortality Rate	6.7	7.95	#57
Life Expectancy	75.6	74.2	#71
Opioid Overdose Rate	25.07	12.8	#27
Smoking Rate	17.9%	24.5%	#72
Smoking Rate During Pregnancy	6.6%	11.0%	#47
Social Vulnerability Index	SVI Not Available	0.3956	#37
Suicide Rate	15.77	18.5	#52
Years of Potential Life Lost Due to Injury (Age-Adjusted)	2527.14	2266.55	#49

## Target KPIs for Henry County

- Reduce the use of nicotine via vaping/electronic cigarettes among 11th graders in Henry County from the baseline of 11.4% (2023 Indiana Youth Survey) to 9.4% by 2026, as indicated by the Indiana Youth Survey.
- Reduce Henry County smoking rate of pregnant women from 11% to 9% by 2026.
- Reduce the crude rate of fatal overdoses in Henry County from 23.5 per 100,000 in 2018-2022 to 19.5 per 100,000 in 2026-2030. Data reviewed annually via IDOH Vital Records – Mortality Files | IDOH Overdose Dashboard.

## Henry County Health First Indiana Plan

**The following Health First Indiana plans are organized by Core Public Health Service category and subdivided by specific Core Public Health Services.**

- Vital Records
- Communicable Disease Control
  - Immunizations
  - Infectious Disease Surveillance and Prevention
  - Tuberculosis Control and Case Management
  - Tattoo, Body Piercing, Eyelash Safety and Sanitation
- Access and Linkage to Clinical Care
- Health Related Activities During Emergencies and Disasters
- Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention
  - Tobacco Cessation and Prevention
  - Trauma and Injury Prevention
  - Screening and Referrals
- Environmental Public Health
  - Food Protection
  - Sanitary Operation of Facilities (Tattoo, Body Piercing, Eyelash Safety)
  - Pest/Vector Control
  - Public/Semi-Public Pool Inspections
  - Residential Onsite Sewage Systems
  - Orders for Decontamination of Property
- Maternal, Child, and Family Health
  - Fatality Review
  - Maternal and Child Health
  - School Health Liaison
  - Lead Case Manager and Risk Assessment

## Henry County Health First Indiana Plan: Vital Records

**Current Strength of Service:**

**Strong: Fully Performing**

### 2025 Objectives

1. Being the process of tracking number of births for Henry County
2. Begin the process of tracking number of deaths for Henry County
3. Develop a plan for birth and death certificate requests to be requested electronically.
4. Develop a plan for certificate requests to be paid for electronically.
5. Issue statewide birth and death records from DRIVE

### 2025 Strategies

1. Develop a tracking program to capture data
2. Communicate with both contracted and county IT to ensure that the process is implemented and secure.
3. Await direction from IDOH on changes in DRIVE moving forward

**Community Partners:**

Octal Systems, PayGov, Henry County IT, IDOH

## Henry County Health First Indiana Plan: Communicable Disease Control Immunizations

**Current Strength of Service:**

**Moderate: Partially Performing**

### 2025 Objectives

1. Focus on increasing HPV vaccine rates to help prevent cervical cancer in the community.
2. Provide more education to communities about vaccine-preventable diseases and continue the Vax-2-School program at local community schools (K-12<sup>th</sup> grade).
3. Offer and advertise free blood pressure screenings to help identify potential hypertension or other cardiovascular disease.
4. Continue to provide free health screenings (HIV, Hepatitis C, Syphilis, Gonorrhea and Chlamydia testing and treatment per CDC guidelines).
5. Continue working with United Way for insurance navigation services to help the community receive the preventative care and screenings needed.
6. Continue to work with Jane Pauley services for case management, OBGYN, primary care provider and insurance services.
7. Continue to work with Positive-Link, Aspire Health, Damien Center to link Hepatitis C and HIV cases for case management.
8. Encourage community partners and health providers to continue referring patients to the Henry County Health Department for the Low-Cost Lab Draw Program on every second and fourth Wednesday of every month.
  - a. Lipid panel screenings
  - b. Diabetes screenings
  - c. Prostate Cancer screenings
  - d. Thyroid Cancer screenings
9. Continue Dental Education and training at local elementary schools (K-5<sup>th</sup> grade) to help identify and or prevent acute and or chronic periodontal disease.
  - a. Provide ADA approved toothpaste and toothbrushes.
10. Work closely with community partners to help promote health and wellness.

## 2025 Strategies

1. Conduct targeted outreach to increase HPV vaccination awareness through schools, community partners, and healthcare providers.
2. Continue coordination with school corporations to expand the Vax-2-School program and reduce barriers to vaccine access.
3. Utilize social media, flyers, and community events to promote free and low-cost immunizations and health screenings.
4. Strengthen referral pathways with healthcare providers and community organizations to connect individuals to preventative care services.
5. Track immunization and screening data to identify gaps and guide targeted interventions.

<b>Community Partners:</b>	Henry County Schools, New Castle EMS, Positive-Link, Aspire Health, Damien Center, United Way, Jane Pauley
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## Henry County Health First Indiana Plan: Communicable Disease Control Infectious Disease Surveillance and Prevention

**Current Strength of Service:** **Moderate: Partially Performing**

### 2025 Objectives

1. Continue to provide HIV, Hepatitis C and other STI testing at the health department in 2025.
2. Increase the amount of people being tested by advertising and promoting health screenings.
3. Provide services in the preferred language of the client.
4. Monitor NBS for increasing rates of communicable disease reports in Henry County.
5. Partner with community organizations to provide targeted testing, education, referrals, and resources to high-risk groups.
6. Utilize health information exchanges to access client disease testing information.
7. Establish and continue to improve relationships with hospitals, clinics, healthcare providers and laboratories within the county.
8. Maintain dedicated staff who can investigate reportable conditions.
9. Continue working with the IDEP Division at IDOH for investigation support.

### 2025 Strategies

1. Implement control measures to slow or eliminate the spread of disease.
  - a. Pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) and Post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP)
  - b. Isolation of cases to prevent ongoing transmission
  - c. Contact tracing and quarantine
  - d. Work/school/daycare exclusions
  - e. Identify outbreaks and new or emerging pathogens
  - f. Monitor for disease trends
2. Record testing results and treatment provided, referrals (if any) on an excel spreadsheet to keep track of testing and treatments.
3. Continue Non-Syringe Harm Reduction Program to help decrease the transmission of communicable diseases.
4. Partner with the IDOH and other community organizations to access STI testing supplies, equipment and training.

5. Partner with community organizations to ensure clients living with an infectious disease receive clinic care, treatment and wrap-around services.
6. Maintain public health nurse to manage additional communicable disease control services.

<b>Community Partners</b>	Henry Community Health, Indiana Department of Health Lab, Indiana Department of Health, District 11 Disease Intervention Specialist (DIS), District 6 Field Epidemiologist(s), Title X Clinic
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## **Henry County Health First Indiana Plan: Communicable Disease Control Tuberculosis Control and Case Management**

**Current Strength of Service:**

**Moderate: Fully Performing**

### **2025 Objectives**

1. Continue to provide TB screenings such as Tubercillin Skin Testing and offering Quanti-FERON gold blood tests as indicated.
2. Continue to initiate contact investigations promptly to get treatment started quickly in LTBI and/or TB cases.
3. Continue to provide patient-centered care through treatment completion support.
4. Ensure all necessary public health activities to stop TB transmission are carried out.
5. Expand TB testing efforts such as community outreach, targeted testing, investigation and follow-up.
6. Continue to provide education, monitoring and patient support.
7. Continue to assure adherence and successful treatment completion.
8. Participate in educational opportunities and training.

### **2025 Strategies**

1. Provide timely case management for individuals with suspected or confirmed TB disease.
2. Increase availability of TB testing to three days a week rather than one day a week.
3. Expand the use of TB testing, including IGRA blood tests and skin tests, especially for high-risk groups.
4. Identify, educate and test support contacts of infectious TB patients to prevent ongoing transmission
5. Work with clinical providers and state partners to ensure access to testing, timely treatment, follow-up care and social supports for TB patients

6. Educate patients, families, and communities about TB transmission, treatment and prevention.
7. Engage in ongoing education for TB case management, investigations and update protocols.
8. Recognize and address factors like housing, food insecurity, and language barriers that affect TB risk and treatment completion.

<b>Community Partners:</b>	IDOH, IDOH Lab, Purdue Pharmacy
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**Henry County Health First Indiana Plan:  
Communicable Disease Control  
Tattoo Parlors and Body Piercing Facilities & Eyelash  
Extensions**

**Current Strength of Service:**

**Moderate: Fully Performing**

### **2025 Objectives**

1. Infection Control Education with each establishment once during the calendar year
2. Collaborate with tattoo parlor owners to expand access to condoms, and harm reduction supplies, such as wound care, IV, and smoking kits, for patrons and members of the public.

### **2025 Strategies**

1. Partner with nursing staff to enhance infectious disease prevention efforts through training, education, and harm reduction kit distribution.

Community Partners:	HCHD Nursing staff, Tattoo Artists, Parlor Owners
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## **Henry County Health First Indiana Plan: Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention Access and Linkage to Clinical Care**

**Current Strength of Service:**

**Moderate: Partially Performing**

### **2025 Objectives**

1. Continue effective communication with specialized providers and clinics to ensure referrals to care are followed through and completed.
2. Promote patient-centered approach when making a referral to ensure understanding of referral, next steps, or any necessary preparations for specialist appointment.
3. Continue to build strong partnerships with Positive Link, United Way, Jane Pauley, Damien Center, Aspire Health, Indiana Department of Health and Disease Intervention Specialist for Henry County.
4. Improve following up on referrals made to ensure the patient received necessary care.
5. Continued timely and appropriate referrals can lead to earlier diagnosis, better treatment options and overall improved patient care.
6. Maintain assigned public health nurses to ensure all referrals are placed and responded to in an appropriate timeframe.
7. Continue to promote the use of PrEP through [heymistr.com](http://heymistr.com) and [prepdaily.org](http://prepdaily.org) for the patients who wish to receive care virtually.
8. Provide clear documentation including patient's medical histories, reason for referral and all other pertinent information necessary for the referral.

### **2025 Strategies**

1. In 2025, increase the number of referrals by 10%.
2. Implement referral guidelines by creating clear and evidence-based guidelines for different conditions, outlining criteria for appropriate specialist consultation.
3. Track key metrics such as referral volume, response time and adherence to referral guidelines.
4. Maintain contact with the patient until the referral process is completed and the patient has an appointment with the appropriate facility and/or provider.

<b>Community Partners:</b>	IU Health Positive Link, Aspire, Jane Pauley, United Way, Damien Center, Jane Pauley, Peer Recovery Program in Madison County, and Disease Intervention Specialist for Henry County.
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<b>Henry County Health First Indiana Plan: Health-Related Areas During Emergencies and Disasters</b>
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<b>Current Strength of Service:</b>	<b>Moderate: Partially Performing</b>
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### 2025 Objectives

1. At least two Health Department staff will complete backup NIMS emergency preparedness training (in addition to the emergency preparedness coordinator).
2. Participate in district emergency preparedness meetings and exercises.
3. Educate Henry County residents about the local health department's role in emergencies and disasters.

### 2025 Strategies

1. Provide time for two health department employees to complete NIMS training as recommended by the emergency preparedness coordinator.
2. Participate and/or organize community emergency preparedness events and exercises.
3. participate and/or organize community events to educate the public about emergency preparedness response

<b>Community Partners:</b>	Vantage Point, Henry County Emergency Management Association
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## Henry County Health First Indiana Plan: Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention Tobacco Prevention and Cessation

**Current Strength of Service:**

**Moderate: Partially Performing**

### 2025 Objectives

1. Educate the public about the health risks of vaping, tobacco, and nicotine use through targeted outreach campaigns and educational materials.
2. Collaborate with schools and youth-serving organizations to implement evidence-based prevention curricula and youth-focused initiatives.
3. Increase access to cessation programs and resources for individuals ready to quit tobacco and nicotine use.
6. Provide educational tools and resources to parents and caregivers to help them address and prevent youth tobacco and vaping use.
7. Create opportunities for youth to engage in substance-free activities that promote healthy lifestyles and decision-making.
8. Work with schools and community partners to develop and enforce comprehensive tobacco-free policies, including vaping product restrictions.
9. Conduct environmental scans and evaluations to identify areas of concern and monitor trends in tobacco and vaping use within the community.
10. Educate retailers on laws and best practices to prevent underage sales of tobacco and vaping products, including identifying fake IDs.
11. Recognize and support youth leadership groups for their contributions to raising awareness and promoting tobacco and vaping prevention initiatives.
12. Strengthen collaborations with community partners, healthcare providers, and local organizations to improve access to education, prevention, and cessation services.

### 2025 Strategies

1. Share vaping and e-cigarette prevention information electronically through coalition channels, including social media, websites, newsletters, and email blasts.
2. Launch the "*Sweet Deception*" campaign, engaging youth in peer-to-peer education about the dangers of vaping.
4. Implement three awareness events (e.g., National Night Out, My Life My Quit, Tobacco 21) to educate youth and families.
5. Work with schools to implement and enhance vaping prevention programs in classrooms (Catch My Breath).

6. Provide *Operation Parent Handbooks* to all five school districts to equip parents with knowledge and resources.
7. Offer three vape-free events or opportunities for youth to engage in healthy, substance-free activities.
8. Conduct educational sessions for retailers to help identify fake IDs and ensure compliance with underage tobacco sales laws.
9. Publicly recognize VOICE participants, youth leadership clubs, and other groups for projects promoting vaping prevention.
10. Conduct one environmental scan of school properties to identify areas where vaping access or use is prevalent.
11. Collaborate with school districts to enhance comprehensive tobacco-free policies, including e-cigarette restrictions for students and staff.
12. Increase outreach and referrals to existing tobacco cessation programs and resources both in-person and online.
13. Implement the 5A's (Ask, Advise, Assess, Assist, and Arrange) in HCHD clinics to encourage clients to access cessation services.
14. Collaborate with partners to implement a multi-platform media campaign highlighting available tobacco cessation resources.
15. Arrange regular project meetings to evaluate and improve access to cessation programs for the community.

<p><b>Community Partners:</b></p>	<p>LIVE Coalition Members, Henry County Schools, Faith-Based Partners, Youth and Youth-Serving Organizations, Henry County Health Department, Parents and Parent Groups, Law Enforcement, ARIES, LIVE Coalition Coordinator, Henry Community Health (OBGYN Practice, Mother Baby Unit, Primary Care Physicians), Meridian Primary and Behavioral Health Services, WIC (Women, Infants, and Children Program), Nurse-Family Partnerships, Pregnancy Care Center, New Castle Family Planning Clinic</p>
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## Henry County Health First Indiana Plan: Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention Trauma and Injury Prevention

**Current Strength of Service:**

**Moderate: Partially Performing**

### 2025 Objectives

1. In 2025, provide office space at Henry County Health Department for specifically trained providers to administer Vivitrol (Naltrexone) injections to help prevent relapses into alcohol, or drug abuse.
2. Continue to empower people who use drugs (PWUD) with the choice to live healthy, self-directed, and purpose filled lives.
3. Look into partnering with the local Jail and Prison to implement Overdose Education and Naloxone Distribution (OEND) to help decrease overdose death rates when released. Opioid-related overdose is the most frequent cause of death among people recently released from jail or prison.
4. Work with community partners including Henry Community Health and Henry County Coroner to monitor for trends in overdose death rates.
5. Continue working with community partners to maintain and keep Naloxboxes stocked. Work with Overdose Lifeline and potential new community partners to distribute Narcan and testing strips.
6. Offer low barrier options for accessing health care services, including substance abuse and mental health disorder treatment.
7. Increase amount of Outreach Programs presented to the community to help reduce stigma with substance use and co-occurring disorders.
8. Increase number of safe sleep trainings and education provided in 2025.
9. Look into obtaining funds to help purchase safe sleep equipment to provide proper safe sleep training and education, such as, sleep sacks pack and play and any other beneficial tool for the program.
10. Utilize Peer Recovery Program in Madison County.
11. Collaborate with Henry County EMS more frequently to provide Narcan training and education to the community.
12. Continue to work closely with local restaurant and bar establishments to provide Narcan training and education and also keep Narcan on hand.

13. Incorporate medication lock boxes into Harm Reduction Program.
14. Continue to partner with VA Hospital to receive and distribute free gun locks to the community.

## 2025 Strategies

1. Harm Reduction plays a significant role in preventing drug-related deaths, decreasing overall fatalities, acute life-threatening infections related to unsterile drug injection and chronic diseases such as Hepatitis C and HIV.
2. Provide Non-Syringe Harm Reduction Supplies to the community:
  - a. Overdose reversal supplies including Naloxone kits, substance test kits including Fentanyl and Xylazine test strips.
  - b. Safer sex kits, including condoms (male and female)
  - c. Provide individual sharps containers for individuals to properly dispose of used needles and syringes.
  - d. Wound Care supplies
  - e. Sterile water
  - f. Supplies to promote sterile injection and decrease infectious disease transmission through injection drug use, such as bleach, with written bilingual instructions on how to properly clean syringes.
  - g. Safer smoking kits that include pipe covers and disposable straws and cookers and chapstick to help prevent dry, cracking, bleeding lips to decrease transmission of infectious disease.
  - h. Continue providing navigation services to ensure linkage to care for HIV, viral Hepatitis prevention, testing, treatment and care services including: antiretroviral therapy for HIV and Hepatitis C, Pre-exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP), Post-exposure Prophylaxis (PEP) and partner services.
    - i. Provide Hepatitis A and Hepatitis B vaccinations (to decrease risk of viral hepatitis).
    - ii. Continue and maintain close relationships with partnerships including: IDOH District 11 Disease Intervention Specialist (DIS), Aspire Health, Damien Center, Positive Link, Jane Pauley for referrals for treatment.
    - iii. Provide referrals and written information about PrEP resources including: [prepdaily.org](http://prepdaily.org) and [heymistr.com](http://heymistr.com)

<b>Community Partners</b>	LIVE Coalition, The Guest House, Trustee's Office, Henry County EMS, New Castle/Henry County EMS, New Castle Police Department, Middletown Police Department, Henry County Sheriff's Department, Henry County Jail. Salvation Army, New Castle Public Library, Mooreland Police Department, Mt. Summit Police Department, New Castle Fire Department, Open Arms Church and Four-Square Church
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## Henry County Health First Indiana Plan: Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention Screenings and Referrals

**Current Strength of Service:**

**Moderate: Partially Performing**

### 2025 Objectives

1. Continue effective communication with specialized providers and clinics to ensure referrals to care are followed through and completed. Promote patient-centered approach when making a referral to ensure understanding of referral, next steps, or any necessary preparations for specialist appointments. Continue to build strong partnerships with Positive Link, United Way, Jane Pauley, Damien Center, Aspire Health, Indiana Department of Health and Disease Intervention Specialist for Henry County.
  - a. Improve following up on referrals made to ensure the patient received necessary care.
  - b. Continued timely and appropriate referrals can lead to earlier diagnosis, better treatment options and overall improved patient care.
  - c. Maintain assigned public health nurses to ensure all referrals are placed and responded to in an appropriate time frame.

Continue to promote the use of PrEP through [heymistr.com](http://heymistr.com) and [prepdaily.org](http://prepdaily.org) for the patients who wish to receive care virtually.

Provide clear documentation including patient's medical history, medical history, reason for referral and all other pertinent information necessary for the referral.

### 2025 Strategies

1. In 2025, increase the number of referrals by 10%.
5. Implement referral guidelines by creating clear and evidence-based guidelines for different conditions, outlining criteria for appropriate specialist consultation.
6. Track key metrics such as referral volume, response time and adherence to referral guidelines.
7. Maintain contact with the patient until the referral process is completed and the patient has an appointment with the appropriate facility and/or provider.

<b>Community Partners:</b>	United Way, IU Health Positive Link, Aspire Health, Damien Center, Jane Pauley, Peer Recovery Program in Madison county, and Disease Intervention Specialist for Henry County.
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<p><b>Henry County Health First Indiana Plan: Environmental Health Food Protection</b></p>
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<b>Current Strength of Service:</b>	<b>Moderate: Fully Performing</b>
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### 2025 Objectives

1. Hire a full time staff member and train fully in food protection
2. Issue mobile food establishment permits
3. Inspect mobile food establishments once permitted
4. Adopt the new food safety code and provide comprehensive education to all food safety staff
5. Provide restaurant establishments with the updated food safety code to ensure compliance and promote food safety

### 2025 Strategies

1. Post full time position on county website, IDOH job bank, and IEHA web site to ensure quality candidate selection
2. Job shadowing of seasoned food inspector, attend all IDOH trainings, and monthly IEHA meetings to gather and share information
3. Develop a permit application for mobile food establishments and inspect according to codes in place
4. Attend all trainings offered by IDOH in regards to new food safety code
5. Develop key talking points in regards to food safety code changes for inspectors to discuss while at establishments doing inspections
6. Distribute e-mails with information on food safety changes

Community Partners:	IEHA, IDOH, IDOH District Staffer
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<b>Henry County Health First Indiana Plan: Environmental Health Pest/Vector Control</b>
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<b>Current Strength of Service:</b>	<b>Moderate: Partially Performing</b>
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### 2025 Objectives

1. Increase response for WNV+ mosquito pools
2. Collect 5 black legged ticks in 2025
3. Apply for NACHHO Vector Control Collaborative Mentorship grant

### 2025 Strategies

1. Continue to set mosquito traps throughout the county
2. Provide mosquitos to IDOH lab for testing
3. Identify positive pools and then provide education to citizens
4. Larvicide/Adulticide as needed
5. Tick drag in new areas throughout the county

<b>Community Partners:</b>	IDOH Entomology, City of New Castle, DNR, NACHHO, Citizens
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<b>Henry County Health First Indiana Plan: Environmental Health Public and Semi-Public Pools</b>
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<b>Current Strength of Service:</b>	<b>Moderate: Fully Performing</b>
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### 2025 Objectives

1. Improve education with pool operators on RWI's

### 2025 Strategies

1. Visit each pool once over the summer months and collect water and send to IDOH lab for analysis and follow up with operator as needed

<b>Community Partners:</b>	IDOH Lab, Pool Operators, Stat Courier
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<p><b>Henry County Health First Indiana Plan: Environmental Health Residential Onsite Sewage Systems</b></p>
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**Current Strength of Service:**

**Moderate: Fully Performing**

**2025 Objectives**

1. Train full time staffer to complete system sizing, plan review, and inspections.

**2025 Strategies**

1. 10 hours/month with IDOH regional staff member
2. In office training

Community Partners:	IDOH regional staff member
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## Henry County Health First Indiana Plan: Maternal, Child, and Family Health Fatality Review

**Current Strength of Service:** **Moderate: Somewhat Performing**

### 2025 Objectives

1. Participate consistently in Fetal Infant Mortality Review (FIMR) and Child Fatality Review (CFR) teams to help build the backbone of data-driven analysis for cause and prevention.
2. Collect and analyze data on fetal, infant, child and maternal deaths to identify the leading causes, trends and contributing factors- including clinical, social and environmental determinants.
3. Translate fatality review results into community education, prevention programming, and system improvements (e.g., safe sleep education, injury prevention, prenatal care access).
4. Increase public awareness and action by providing providers and community partners about key causes of preventable deaths.

### 2025 Strategies

1. Ensure staff regularly attend and contribute to local and regional FIMR, CFR and maternal mortality review committees.
2. Maintain data on trends and share aggregated findings with partners and prevention planning.
3. Develop targeted outreach and education based on review findings (safe sleep practices, prenatal care access or substance use support.)
4. Based on review recommendations, support changes in clinical practice, referral pathways, and community services (e.g., enhance home visiting services, expand access to prenatal clinics.)

#### Community Partners:

IDOH FIMR and CFR team  
Nurse Family Partnership  
The Villages/Healthy Families  
IDOH safe sleep education  
Firefly

<b>Henry County Health First Indiana Plan: Maternal, Child, and Family Health</b>
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<b>Current Strength of Service:</b>	<b>Moderate: Somewhat Performing</b>
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### 2025 Objectives

1. Increase access to prenatal, postpartum and interconception care to support healthy pregnancies and reduce preventable complications.
2. Promote healthy infant and child development and health through early intervention, education and preventative services.
3. Enhance family capacity to support healthy growth, safety and stability through education, resources and community support.

### 2025 Strategies

1. Connect pregnant and postpartum individuals to prenatal care, postpartum follow-up, and reproductive health services.
2. Promote access to WIC, home visiting programs, immunizations and well-child visits.
3. Continue to offer and promote safe sleep education classes and provide safe sleep sacks.

<b>Community Partners:</b>	Nurse Family Partnership, WIC, ICAP, Healthy families, Firefly
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## Henry County Health First Indiana Plan: Maternal, Child, and Family Health School Health Liaison

**Current Strength of Service:**

**Moderate: Partially Performing**

### 2025 Objectives

1. Oral Health Awareness:  
Expand the Give Kids A Smile Dental Program to reach all K-5 students in the county, improving oral health awareness and positive practices.
2. Vaccination Uptake:  
Increase vaccination rates in school-aged children through the Vax-2-School Program by addressing barriers to access and awareness.
3. Substance Use Prevention:  
Implement Too Good for Drugs, an evidence-based curriculum, in all elementary schools to promote healthy decision-making and substance misuse prevention.

### 2025 Strategies

#### Dental Health: Give Kids A Smile Program

1. Partner with the ADA Foundation and IU School of Dentistry to supply dental kits (toothbrushes, toothpaste, oral health cards, bags, and banners) to all 5 school districts.
2. Equip each school with two education boxes containing teeth models, interactive materials (dice, worksheets), and a curriculum binder.
3. Launch and complete the program in February–March 2025, with a goal to increase student participation from 997 in 2024 to over 2,800 in 2025.
4. Coordinate with school administrators to schedule and promote program activities effectively.

#### Vaccination Efforts: Vax-2-School Program

1. Coordinate on-site school visits to offer accessible vaccination appointments.
2. Share information with parents through newsletters, flyers, and digital platforms to address vaccine hesitancy and promote participation.
3. Track vaccination rates and identify areas requiring targeted interventions.

#### Substance Use Prevention: Too Good for Drugs

1. Collaborate with the Local Coordinating Council (LCC) ARIES to deliver the program across all elementary schools.
2. Train school staff and volunteers to implement the curriculum effectively.
3. Engage students with interactive lessons to reinforce key messages.

<b>Community Partners:</b>	Henry County Schools, Administrators, Educators, School Nurses, Henry Community Health, IU School of Dentistry, LIVE Coalition, ARIES, Parents
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<p><b>Henry County Health First Indiana Plan: Maternal, Child, and Family Health Lead Case Manager and Risk Assessment</b></p>
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<b>Current Strength of Service:</b>	<b>Moderate: Partially Performing</b>
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### **2025 Objectives**

1. Maintain one XRF for the calendar year.
2. Develop a plan to offer blood lead testing in the office or during a home visit.

### **2025 Strategies**

1. Continue under MOU with IDOH for use of XRF.
2. Meet with IDOH clinical staff.
3. Develop policies and procedures.

<b>Community Partners:</b>	IDOH Lead and Healthy Homes Division, Nursing staff, Stat Courier
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