Federal Health Agencies

State Health Departments Local Health Departments

Tribal Health/ Government Healthcare Institutions/ Providers

Schools & Universities

Public health is a system of entities and individuals working together to protect the health of entire populations – whether it's as small as a local neighborhood, or as big as the entire state.

Other State Agencies

Emergency Responders Community
Organizations/
Coalitions

Elected Officials Faith-Based Institutions

Philanthropy & Civic Groups



What is Public Health?

Public health is the science of protecting and improving the health of families and communities through promotion of healthy lifestyles, research for disease and injury prevention, and detection and control of infectious diseases.



Prevents epidemics and the spread of disease



Protects against environmental hazards



Prevents Injuries



Promotes and encourages healthy behaviors

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Every South Dakotan Healthy and Strong

MISSION

Working together to promote, protect, and improve health



Assures the quality and accessibility of health services



Responds to disasters and assists communities in recovery