

# WHO IS A COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER (CHW)?



**A Community Health Worker (CHW)** is a frontline public health worker who is a trusted member of and/or has an unusually close understanding of the community served.

This trusting relationship enables the worker to serve as a liaison/link/intermediary between health/social services and the community to facilitate access to services and improve the quality and cultural competence of service delivery.

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# COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER SCOPE OF WORK

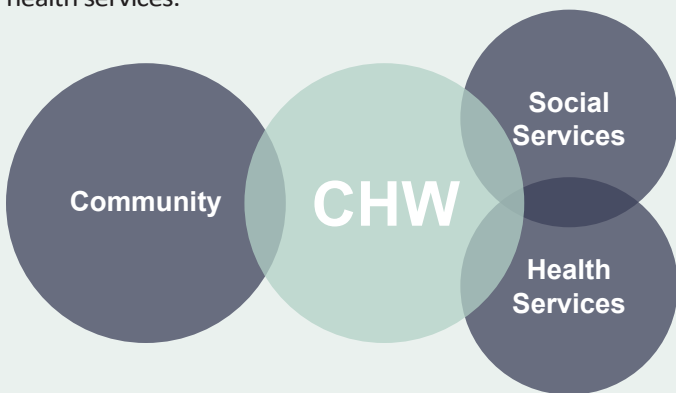
The scope of work for CHWs in South Dakota includes:

- Health system navigation and resource coordination
- Health promotion and coaching
- Health education to teach or promote methods and measures that have been proven effective in avoiding illness and/or lessening its effects



## IN THE COMMUNITY

CHWs are embedded within communities and serve as the connector between the community, social services, and health services.



## LEARN MORE

Learn more about the developing CHW profession in South Dakota by visiting the CHWSD website, [www.chwsd.org](http://www.chwsd.org).



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