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Core Functions & 10 Essential Services of Public Health

**ASSESSMENT:** Collect and analyze information about health problems in Nebraska Communities.

**POLICY DEVELOPMENT:** Work with partners to apply data, educate the public, and develop programs and policies—all to address and prevent illness, disease, and disability.

**ASSURANCE:** Promote effective coordination and use of community resources to protect the health and wellbeing of Nebraskans.

Our Priorities

Public health priority areas included in our current Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP):

- Access to Health Services Across the Lifespan
- Obesity and Nutrition Across the Lifespan
- Violence Safety and Injury in Adolescents and Children
- Behavioral Health Across the Lifespan

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8% of DCHD’s FY 2018 revenue came from the Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund and General Fund.

Per Capita Expenditures

Every $1 invested in prevention saves $5.60 in health care costs!

Worth the investment.

This profile was developed by the Nebraska Association of Local Health Directors. Local and state level data was retrieved from a survey sent out in November of 2018 and completed by 18 NALHD member LHDs. Population data was taken from the 2017 census estimate from the United States Census Bureau. For more information about this health department go to www.nalhd.org.