



Wisconsin State Public Health Information Sources, Recommended Lists, Portals, and Websites

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Subscription Lists

Subscribing to DHS, DPH GovDelivery subscription lists

Individuals wishing to sign up for notifications from the Department of Health Services (DHS) can find a number of lists to [receive email updates](#) or follow DHS on social media, click on the icons on the bottom of the page.

To sign up for the GovDelivery listserv and the other topics click this link: [Sign up for the new Local Public Health Department Staff list](#). Much of the information specific to local and tribal health departments comes from the Topic: DPH - Local Public Health Department Staff. There will be a "Pending Approval" message until staff position is verified. Once verified, you will begin to receive the GovDelivery messages. Staff who have signed up for the listserv can use the [sign up for other lists](#). <https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/WIDHS/subscriber/edit>

Public health nurses (PHNs) can sign up for a [PHN-specific list](#) in addition to the general staff list.

Click this [link for immunization updates](#).

Also, please add widhs@public.govdelivery.com to your email's Safe Senders List. This will help prevent messages from inadvertently being sent to your Junk Email folder.

If you have any questions, please email [DPH Communications](#).

Subscribing to other Wisconsin Governmental Lists

Department of Agriculture Trade and Consumer Protection

Click on "[Sign up for Email Updates](#)" at the bottom of the page.

DPH Enterics updates

[Email DPH Enterics DHSDPHEnterics@dhs.wisconsin.gov](mailto:DHSDPHEnterics@dhs.wisconsin.gov) to receive updates.

Wisconsin Office of Children's Mental Health (OCMH)

[OCMH](#) supports Wisconsin's children in achieving their optimal mental health and well-being. Stay up to date by subscribing to the [OCMH newsletter](#) and [Research News in Mental Health newsletter](#).

Subscribing to statewide non-governmental subscription lists

Health Care Education and Training (HCET)

The Monday Memo is a [bimonthly update](#) that provides links to distance and on-site learning opportunities, news and project updates for reproductive health and women's wellness.

Visit the [HCET website](#) for more information.

Wisconsin STD Communications (WISTDCOM)



HCET and the Wisconsin STD Control Section provide this listserv as a tool for participants to share information. Please email [Kelly Bradford](mailto:kelly.bradford@dnr.wisconsin.gov).

Wisconsin Center for Public Health Education and Training (WiCPHET)

[WiCPHET](#) sends out a digest with training information from the National Network of Public Health Institutes (NNPHI). Click on subscribe at the bottom of the page.

Wisconsin Partnership for Activity and Nutrition (WI PAN)/healthTIDE

WI PAN consolidated with healthTIDE to improve nutrition and physical activity initiatives in Wisconsin. Join the [physical activity and nutrition listserv](#).

Wisconsin Public Health Association (WPHA)

WPHA is the largest membership organization of public health professionals in Wisconsin and is an affiliate of the American Public Health Association. Connect through their [website](#) and social media.

Wisconsin Association of Local Health Departments and Boards (WALHDAB)

WALHDAB is the statewide leader and voice for local governmental public health. Local health departments and their boards of health are eligible for membership. The equivalent of a local health department and board of health established by a tribal governing body is also eligible for membership. More information can be found on the [WALHDAB website](#).

Databases and other online portals

Web Access Management System (WAMS) based systems

WAMS allows authorized individuals to access State of Wisconsin Internet applications using the same means of identification for all state web applications. This may be referred to as your WAMS user ID. (Please note this is different from the WILMS ID system listed below). [Sign up for a WAMS account](#). Commonly used systems include Grants and Contracting (GAC) and Secure Public Health Electronic Record Environment (SPHERE).

Grants and Contracting (GAC)

Visit the state GAC [website](#) for information about the GAC system. If you do not have an assigned GAC role, please complete the following 2-step process:

Step 1: Obtain a [WAMS user ID](#)

Click on "Self-Registration"

Step 2: Request Access to GAC. ([Requires login using your WAMS user ID and password.](#))

Please note: if you have a WAMS user ID associated with a different health department, you will need to log in using your old user ID and password, then update your profile with your new



contact information.

Secure Public Health Electronic Record Environment (SPHERE)

Visit the [SPHERE](#) website to register.

Wisconsin Logon Management System (WILMS)/SharePoint based systems

WILMS provides **access to DPH external SharePoint sites**. This includes access information and links to REDCap, PCA Portal, WICShare, Food Safety, WEDSS, 140 Review, and the Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant.

To sign up for a WILMS account, please complete the [Self Registration](#) process, selecting the systems you will access and completing the registration process. Please note: if you have a WILMS user ID associated with a different health department, you will need to log in using your old user ID and password, then update your profile with your new contact information. Please do not create multiple IDs using the same email, as this can cause you to be locked out of the system. For staff that do not have a WILMS ID and to update your profile or to change your password, go to <https://register.wisconsin.gov/accountmanagement/default.aspx>.

REDCap

[DHS REDCap](#) is an online database used to report information. This database requires a Wisconsin Logon Management System (WILMS) account for login.

[REDCap Navigation Guide](#)

Contact: For additional information and questions [email REDCap](#).

Partner Communications and Alerting (PCA) Portal

The PCA Portal serves as a [secure resource](#) for **Wisconsin's public health preparedness and response community**. You must have a Wisconsin Logon Management System (WILMS) [account](#). Health Officers should determine which staff should have access to the PCA portal and have [them sign up by email](#). If there are staff that do not need access, designating one staff person who can stay up to date on changes, webinars, and ensure highly used documents are shared with all staff is highly recommended. Other useful resources include: [Tech Tips](#) a page on PCA Portal with navigation and browser configuration resources and a 3-page guide to [PCA Portal Navigation](#).

Communicable Disease Databases

WI Electronic Disease Surveillance System (WEDSS)

[WEDSS](#) is a secure, web-based system designed to facilitate reporting, investigation, and surveillance of communicable diseases in Wisconsin. It is designed for public health staff, infection control



practitioners, clinical laboratories, clinics, and other disease reporters. Please be aware that WEDSS documents are located on the WEDSS SharePoint site. You must have a Wisconsin Logon Management System (WILMS) account (see above) to use WEDSS or access these documents. For questions, [email the DHS WEDSS inbox](#).

WI Immunization Registry (WIR)

[The Wisconsin Immunization Registry](#), also called WIR, is an internet database that tracks vaccine records for Wisconsin children and adults.

WIR Help Desk at 608-266-9691 or the [WIR helpdesk email](#).

TRAIN

[TRAIN Wisconsin](#) is a free learning management system with a centralized, searchable database of courses for the public health workforce, courtesy of the Wisconsin Division of Public Health and Public Health Foundation.

TRAIN-WI

[Visit this site](#) to create an account or to login if you already have an account.

Data Access and Reporting

[Find data and statistics by topic](#)

Environmental Public Health Tracking Profiles

The data portal has mapping, exporting, mobility, and the capacity to display data below the county-level. To learn about resources and data available through the tracking portal and sign up for the quarterly newsletter go to [their website](#).

Lead Data and Analysis

[Information](#) about Wisconsin lead poisoning data.

Lead-Safe Wisconsin

[Information](#) about the Wisconsin Lead-Safe programs.

Opioids

[Information](#) about Wisconsin Opioid resources.

ePDMP - [Enhanced Prescription Drug Monitoring Program](#) is a tool to help combat the ongoing



prescription drug abuse epidemic in Wisconsin. It provides information about controlled substance prescriptions dispensed in the state, aiding health care professionals in prescribing and dispensing decisions.

Reporting Data to the Department of Health Services

[This site](#) provides a list of resources for those reporting data to the Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS). You can select a link below to find the various ways data is reported to DHS.

Vital Records

Every health department has an agreement with the State of Wisconsin, which identifies the staff that have access to state-produced vital records. Speak with your health officer to determine if you need to be included on that agreement.

[Vital Records \(VR\) Reports](#): On-demand jurisdiction-specific reports created by the State Vital Records Office (SRVO). A current data use agreement (signed by the health officer or agency director) is required to access this information.

[SPHERE](#): Individual-level birth record information and other non-vital records data.

[Wisconsin Interactive Statistics on Health \(WISH\) Query System](#): County-level vital records data.

Wisconsin Oral Health Program

[Access Wisconsin Data Reports and Resources.](#)

Wisconsin Interactive Statistics on Health (WISH)

[This site](#) gives you information about health indicators (measures of health) in Wisconsin. WISH allows health professionals and the public to submit questions (requests for data) and receive answers over the Internet.

Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC)

[Your local ADRC](#) is the first place to go to get accurate, unbiased information on all aspects of life related to aging or living with a disability.

Links to DHS website for staff contact information

[General search for contacts by service area](#)

[Department of Health Services Hotlines](#)

[Bureau of Aging and Disability Resources \(BADR\)](#)



[Office on Aging](#)

[Office of Physical Disabilities and Independent Living](#)

[Office for the Blind and Visually Impaired](#)

[Office for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing](#)

[Office for Resource Center Development \(Aging and Disability Resource Center\)](#)

Bureau of Communicable Disease (BCD)

[BCD Contacts by Disease](#) (PCA Portal)

[Hepatitis C Program](#)

[HIV Program](#)

[Immunization Program](#)

[LGBT Health](#)

[Local Immunization Coalitions](#)

[Sexually Transmitted Diseases \(STDs\)](#)

[Tuberculosis \(TB\) Program](#)

Bureau of Community Health Promotion (BCHP)

[Birth to 3 Program](#)

[Chronic Disease Program](#) (Nutrition, Diabetes, Heart Disease, Early Childhood Health, Physical Activity Strategies, Stroke, and Community Health Workers)

[Family Health Section](#) - Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs (CYSHCN), Maternal and Child Health (MCH), Newborn Screening (NBS), Violence and Injury Prevention, Opioid and Overdose Harm Prevention, Reproductive Health and Family Planning (RHFP), and Infant and Maternal Health

[Primary Care Program](#) (Health Professional Shortage Areas, Provider Recruitment, Waiver Program, and Community Health Centers)

[Regional Centers](#) for Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs (CYSHCN)

[Tobacco Prevention and Control Program](#)

[Nutrition and Women Infants and Children \(WIC\) Program](#)



[Oral Health Program](#)

[Wisconsin Well Woman Program: Central Office Staff](#)

[Wisconsin Well Woman Program: County Contacts](#)

Bureau of Environmental and Occupational Health (BEOH)

[Health Hazard Evaluation](#)

[Email for more information](#)

[BEOH Contacts Quick Guide](#)

[Asthma Program](#)

[Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program](#)

[Lead and Asbestos Certification Program](#)

[Radioactive Materials Program](#)

[Radiation Protection](#)

[Workplace Safety and Health](#)

Office of Health Informatics (OHI)

[Data Contacts](#)

Office of Policy and Practice Alignment (OPPA)

[Local Public Health](#)

[Public Health Nursing](#)

[Regional Offices](#)

Office of Preparedness and Emergency Health Care (OPEHC)

[Emergency Medical Services](#)

[Health Emergency Preparedness](#)

[Healthcare Emergency Readiness Coalitions](#)

Minority Health Program

[Minority Health Contacts](#)



Wisconsin Division of Public Health (DPH)
Office of Policy and Practice Alignment (OPPA)
DPH Resources for New Local Health Department Employees

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Regional Office Based Staff