**Wisconsin Division of Public Health**

**Public Health Statutes and Rules**

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| *Public Health*  *Statute* | *Public Health*  *Administrative Rules* |
| 1. Legal basis for public health in Wisconsin | 1. Adds to the legal basis for public health in Wisconsin |
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| Public Health Law Covers:   * State Administration * Local Health Officials * Communicable Disease * Maternal and Child Health * Environmental Health * Chronic Disease and Injury | Administrative Rules Cover:   * State Administrative * Local Health Officials * Communicable Disease * Maternal and Child Health * Environmental Health * Chronic Disease and Injury |
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| 2. Approved by both houses of the legislature | 2. Developed by state agencies (DHFS) under the authority given by statute |
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| 3. Signed by the Governor | 3. Reviewed by Legislative Council and WSL for review and comment |
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| 4. Harder to change than Administrative Rule | 4. Easier to change than statute |