**WISCONSIN PUBLIC HEALTH STATUTES**

**SUMMARY OF PUBLIC HEALTH RESPONSIBILITES AND AUTHORITY**

**LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENTS**

***Board of Health***

Assessment

Policy Development

Assurance

Leadership

Govern health department

Assure/enforce status/rules

Assure Level 1

Meet quarterly

Verify qualified personnel

Employ public health nurses

Conduct general public health nursing program

Coordinate sanitarians

***Local Health Department***

Assure Level 1 by providing:

 surveillance, investigation

 control and prevention of CD

 other disease prevention

 health promotion

 human health hazard control

Verify qualified personnel

Assessment

Policy Development

Assurance

Submit local public health data to DHSS

Enforce state rules to prevent:

 animal/vector borne disease

***Local Health Officer***

Administer local health departments:

 according to state statute/rules

Enforce state statute/rules

Enforce local ordinances and assure consistent with state statute

Administer funds for public health programs

Appoint qualified personnel

Investigate/supervise sanitary conditions

Access local vital statistics/records

Have charge of local health departments

Submit annual report

Promote spread of information

***Communicable Disease***

Investigate, report to governing body and department

Prevent, suppress, control, report appropriate sources

Advise how to control disease outbreaks, epidemics

Receive reports and report to department

Permanent record made

Report outbreak or epidemic to department

Laboratory testing

Investigate and examinations made as necessary

Consult a physician

Investigate laws, rules concerning communicable disease

Employ persons as necessary to execute orders

Remove person to quarantine if necessary

Positive TB, investigate and enforce order

Investigate and report case or contact to STD

***Human Health Hazard***

Order abatement/removal thereof