

## 2021 Legislative Priorities

Iowa Public Health Association supports laws, policies, and appropriations consistent with the IPHA vision of a healthy and thriving Iowa

## Increase appropriations to the Essential Public Health Services line item in the Health and Human Services budget

- The <u>direct appropriation to local public health agencies</u> has fallen 26% since it's peak of \$10.4 million in 2007.
- IPHA requests the legislature restore the funding to its peak appropriation amount, plus inflation, for a total of \$13.0 million.

## Support actions that serve to promote health, reduce health inequities, and protect groups that have been socially and/or economically marginalized.

- Our greatest health challenges and solutions are <u>highly complex</u> and extend beyond the doctor's office.
- Improving the health of Iowans requires collaboration between housing, education, transportation, water & air quality, criminal justice, and employment.

Assure that any major changes to the governmental public health system are done with the input of public health professionals and with a vision that promotes a culture of health in Iowa.

- IPHA encourages a thorough and transparent review of Iowa's governmental public health system to compare the status quo to <u>Public Health 3.0</u> concepts.
- A Public health 3.0 approach engages multiple sectors & community partners to generate collective impact in order to improve social determinants of health

