

# Department of Health and Mental Hygiene - Overview

## MISSION

We work together to promote and improve the health and safety of all Marylanders through disease prevention, access to care, quality management, and community engagement.

## VISION

Lifelong health and wellness for all Marylanders.

## KEY GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND PERFORMANCE MEASURES

**Goal 1. To improve the health status of Marylanders and their families by assuring the provision of quality primary, preventive and specialty care services.**

Performance Measures	2012 Act.	2013 Act.	2014 Act.	2015 Est.	2016 Est.	2017 Est.	2018 Est.
Infant mortality rate for all races	6.3	6.6	6.5	6.3	6.2	6.0	5.9
Infant mortality rate for African-Americans	10.3	10.5	10.6	10.2	10.1	9.8	9.5
Percent births with first trimester care	68%	67%	67%	71%	73%	77%	80%
Teen birth rate per 1,000 women, ages 15-19	22.1	19.3	17.0	16.6	15.3	14.2	13.1

**Goal 2. To promote healthy behaviors, prevent infectious diseases, and ensure accurate public health surveillance.**

Performance Measures	2012 Act.	2013 Act.	2014 Act.	2015 Act.	2016 Est.	2017 Est.	2018 Est.
Percent of two-year-olds with up-to-date immunizations	67%	76%	74%	74%	75%	75%	75%
Rate of primary/secondary syphilis per 100,000 population	7.3	7.7	7.5	8.5	6.5	6.9	7.2

**Goal 3. To reduce the proportion of Maryland residents currently engaged in tobacco-related risk behaviors detrimental to their health and the health of others.**

Performance Measures	2012 Act.	2013 Act.	2014 Act.	2015 Act.	2016 Est.	2017 Est.	2018 Est.
Under-age middle school students who currently smoke cigarettes	N/A	4%	3%	N/A	2%	N/A	2%
Under-age high school students who currently smoke cigarettes	N/A	11%	8%	N/A	8%	N/A	8%
Percent of adults who currently smoke cigarettes	16%	N/A	15%	15%	15%	14%	14%

**Goal 4. To prevent chronic diseases and disabilities, detect cancer early, and ensure accurate public health surveillance.**

Performance Measures	2012 Act.	2013 Act.	2014 Act.	2015 Est.	2016 Est.	2017 Est.	2018 Est.
Overall cancer mortality rate per 100,000 population estimate	163.7	161.9	160.9	157.8	154.9	151.9	149.0
Heart disease mortality rate per 100,000 population estimate	171.9	171.7	167.2	158.7	153.5	148.3	143.2

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**Goal 5. Reduce the incidence of HIV/AIDS in Maryland and extend life for people with HIV/AIDS in Maryland.**

Performance Measures	2012 Act.	2013 Act.	2014 Act.	2015 Act.	2016 Est.	2017 Est.	2018 Est.
Number of new HIV Diagnoses	1,393	1,320	1,461	1,400	1,338	1,277	1,216
Number of new AIDS diagnoses	905	868	679	603	526	450	374

**Goal 6. Adopt cutting edge scientific technology to improve the quality and reliability of public health laboratory practice and detect treatable hereditary disorders to prevent intellectual disability, other defects, and death.**

Performance Measures	2012 Act.	2013 Act.	2014 Act.	2015 Act.	2016 Act.	2017 Est.	2018 Est.
Turnaround time for newborn screening tests (days)	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Number of genetic amplification methods to detect emerging and re-emerging infections	28	28	28	30	30	30	30

**Goal 7. Provide treatment services that decrease substance use and improves social functioning.**

Performance Measures	2012 Act.	2013 Act.	2014 Act.	2015 Act.	2016 Act.	2017 Est.	2018 Est.
Percent increase in employment at completion of SRD treatment	45%	43%	41%	43%	31%	31%	32%
Percent decrease in number arrested	83%	86%	77%	80%	24%	20%	22%

**Goal 8. Increase the abilities of people with mental illness to live successfully in the community.**

Performance Measures	2012 Act.	2013 Act.	2014 Act.	2015 Act.	2016 Act.	2017 Est.	2018 Est.
Percent of adults (18-64 years old) who report being employed	20%	21%	23%	24%	25%	25%	25%
Percent of adults (18-64 years old) who report being satisfied with	56%	55%	55%	55%	73%	70%	70%
Percent of patients entering another level of SRD treatment within 30 days of dis-enrollment	64%	63%	64%	65%	28%	25%	25%

**Goal 9. Provide community-based services to an increasing number of eligible individuals with developmental disabilities.**

Performance Measures	2012 Act.	2013 Act.	2014 Act.	2015 Act.	2016 Act.	2017 Est.	2018 Est.
Number of individuals served, including those receiving resource coordination and behavioral health services	23,359	24,445	25,183	25,315	23,380	25,570	28,698

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## Goal 10. Improve the health of Maryland's adults and children.

Performance Measures	2012 Act.	2013 Act.	2014 Act.	2015 Act.	2016 Act.	2017 Est.	2018 Est.
Percentage of elderly and individuals with disabilities receiving state-funded services in community alternatives versus nursing	43%	45%	46%	51%	53%	54%	54%
Percent of Medicaid children ages 4-20 years receiving dental services	68%	68%	68%	69%	70%	70%	71%

## Goal 11. Improve the quality of care to residents in nursing facilities.

Performance Measures	2012 Act.	2013 Act.	2014 Act.	2015 Act.	2016 Act.	2017 Est.	2018 Est.
Number of days to initiate investigation	37	38	27	34	47	38	33

## Goal 12. Reduce the amount of fraud, waste, and abuse in total spending in Medicaid funds.

Performance Measures	2012 Act.	2013 Act.	2014 Act.	2015 Act.	2016 Act.	2017 Est.	2018 Est.
Annual Program Integrity Unit savings (millions)	20	11	31	8	8	7	7