

Maryland Department of Health - 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	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Est.	2022 Est.	2023 Est.	2024 Est.
Infant mortality rate for all races	6.1	5.9	5.8	6.1	5.9	6.0	5.9
Infant mortality rate for African-Americans	9.9	9.6	9.4	10.2	10.0	10.1	9.9
Percent births with first trimester care	73.0%	75.0%	73.0%	70.0%	70.1%	70.2%	70.1%
Teen birth rate per 1,000 women, ages 15-19	14.1	13.3	14.1	13.3	12.9	12.8	12.7

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

Performance Measures	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Est.	2023 Est.	2024 Est.
¹ Percent of two-year-olds with up-to-date immunizations	74%	75%	76%	N/A	77%	78%	79%
² Rate of primary/secondary syphilis per 100,000 population	12.2	13.7	14.4	N/A	N/A	14.6	14.8

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	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Est.	2023 Est.	2024 Est.
³ Percent of middle school students who currently smoke cigarettes	1.1%	N/A	N/A	0.9%	0.7%	0.7%	0.5%
³ Percent of high school students who currently smoke cigarettes (all ages)	5.0%	N/A	N/A	3.6%	4.0%	4.0%	3.5%
Percent of adults who currently smoke cigarettes	13.3%	12.7%	10.9%	10.1%	10.1%	9.7%	9.3%

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

Performance Measures	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Est.	2022 Est.	2023 Est.	2024 Est.
Overall cancer mortality rate per 100,000 population estimate	150.0	146.0	145.0	139.7	137.6	135.3	133.0
Heart disease mortality rate per 100,000 population estimate	154.3	150.3	154.0	152.4	N/A	N/A	N/A

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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	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Est.	2022 Est.	2023 Est.	2024 Est.
Number of new HIV diagnoses	997	928	874	838	733	662	591
Number of new AIDS diagnoses	524	482	352	277	222	157	92

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	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Est.	2024 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	36	38	40	42	44	46	48

Goal 7. Provide treatment services that decrease substance abuse and improve social functioning.

Performance Measures	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Est.	2024 Est.
⁴ Percent increase in employment at completion of substance related disorder (SRD) treatment	36%	36%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
⁴ Percent of adults that showed a decrease in the number of arrests	47%	63%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Percent of Public Behavioral Health Services (PBHS) SUD service recipients with three or more behavioral health related ED visits	N/A	N/A	1.1%	1.3%	0.8%	0.9%	0.9%
Total number of PBHS SUD service recipients	N/A	N/A	122,219	111,018	102,377	106,475	110,735

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

Performance Measures	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Est.	2024 Est.
⁴ Percent of adults that gained or maintained employment	34%	34%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
⁴ Percent of adults who report being satisfied with their recovery	75%	73%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Percent of PBHS MH service recipients with three or more behavioral health related ED visits	N/A	N/A	2.1%	0.9%	0.8%	0.9%	0.9%
Total number of PBHS MH service recipients	N/A	N/A	222,966	220,044	240,634	250,260	270,670

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

Performance Measures	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Est.	2024 Est.
Number of individuals receiving case management services	22,646	23,012	23,445	25,294	25,477	26,210	26,210
Number of individuals receiving community-based services	16,700	16,868	17,296	17,112	19,506	20,091	20,694

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

Performance Measures	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Est.	2024 Est.
Percentage of elderly and individuals with disabilities receiving state-funded services in community alternatives versus nursing	57%	58%	60%	64%	65%	67%	69%
⁵ Percent of eligibles aged 1 to 20 years who received preventive dental services	54%	55%	41%	47%	51%	51%	51%

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

Performance Measures	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Est.	2024 Est.
⁶ Number of days to initiate investigation	35	34	33	1	N/A	N/A	N/A

NOTES

¹ 2021 data delayed due to COVID and network outage.

² Final 2021 and 2022 unavailable at this time due to network outage.

³ CY 2021- CY 2024 data are estimates.

⁴ Metric discontinued.

⁵ 2022 data is estimated.

⁶ Data for this metric is now being collected by the Office of the Inspector General for Health, a new agency that anticipates publishing their first MFR with the FY 2025 Allowance.

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OPIOID OPERATIONAL COMMAND CENTER (OCC)

MISSION

The Opioid Operational Command Center's mission is to coordinate Maryland's statewide response to the opioid crisis so that fatality numbers decline.

VISION

The OCC envisions a healthier Maryland where individuals have equitable access to care and where opioid and overdose-related harms are reduced through comprehensive and coordinated efforts between state and local partners.

KEY GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Goal 1. Improve opioid overdose mortality.

Obj. 1.1 By December 2026, Maryland will have an improved overdose mortality rate.

Obj. 1.2 By December 2026, Maryland will implement Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) models into 200 Maryland Primary Care Program (MDPCP) practices.

Performance Measures	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Est.	2023 Est.	2024 Est.
¹ Opioid overdose mortality rate	37%	38%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
¹ The number of MDPCP practices using SBIRT models	N/A	117.00	157.00	321.00	348.00	N/A	N/A

Quarterly and Annual Reports: <https://health.maryland.gov/vsa/Pages/overdose.aspx>

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¹ Data is not available at this time.