

# PUBLIC HEALTH



**Public Health**  
Prevent. Promote. Protect.

**Linn County, Iowa**

FACT SHEET | 2023

**1ST**

**PUBLIC HEALTH  
DEPARTMENT  
IN IOWA**

TO BE NATIONALLY ACCREDITED

**6,516**

IMMUNIZATIONS  
ADMINISTERED  
LAST YEAR

**VISION:  
A HEALTHY  
LINN  
COUNTY**

## ABOUT

Linn County Public Health (LCPH) serves all Linn County residents and visitors through its numerous programs and services to keep the community healthy. LCPH consists of the following five branches:

- Office of the Health Director
- Air Quality
- Assessment & Health Promotion
- Clinical Services
- Food & Aquatic Safety, Tattoo & Tanning
- Home & Water Quality

## OFFICE OF THE HEALTH DIRECTOR

- Budget and Finance
- Communications
- Emergency Preparedness
- Health Equity
- Laboratory Services
- Performance Management System

## ASSESSMENT & HEALTH PROMOTION

- Community Health Assessment/Community Health Improvement Plan
- Community Programs and Partnerships, such as My Care Community
- Health Literacy/Education Promotion
- Epidemiology
- Informatics

## FOOD & AQUATIC SAFETY, TANNING & TATTOO

- Food Safety Inspections
- Aquatic Testing
- Tattoo/Tanning Facility Inspections

## HOME & WATER QUALITY

- Lead Poisoning Prevention
- Nuisance Abatement
- Septic and Well Testing

## AIR QUALITY

- Ambient Air Quality Monitoring
- Permitting/Modeling
- Compliance/Enforcement
- Community Programs (non-regulatory)

## CLINICAL SERVICES

- Sexually Transmitted Infection (STI), Hepatitis C Virus (HCV), and Human Immunodeficiency (HIV) Testing and Treatment
- Adult and Child Immunizations
- International Travel Clinic
- Tuberculosis Testing
- School & Sports Physicals
- Harm Reduction Education & Outreach
- Refugee & Immigrant Health Services
- Communicable Disease Outbreak Response

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**AGENCY LEADERSHIP**

Linn County Public Health (LCPH) is governed by the Linn County Board of Health (BOH), which consists of five members appointed by the Linn County Board of Supervisors. The BOH supports the mission of public health.

- Dr. Dustin Arnold
- Erica Bernard
- Karl Cassell—Chair
- Ben Rogers
- Tawyna Salsbery — Vice Chair

Pramod Dwivedi, DrPH, MS, is the Director of LCPH. He provides strategic direction to the agency and leads all departmental efforts to improve the public’s health in Linn County.

**NATIONAL ACCREDITATION**

Linn County Public Health (LCPH) received accreditation by the national Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB) in March of 2015. LCPH is the first health department in the state of Iowa to achieve this high honor. The national accreditation program, jointly supported by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, sets standards against which the nation's more than 3,000 governmental public health departments can continuously improve the quality of their services and performance.



**Mission:** To prevent disease and injury, promote safe and healthy living, protect the environment, and champion public health preparedness and health equity.

**STRATEGIC OUTCOMES**

Customer Satisfaction | Quality of Life | Financial Health

**LINN COUNTY CORE VALUES**

- Communicate openly and effectively
- Demonstrate personal integrity and respect for others
- Be accountable for our actions and decisions
- Recognize valued contributions
- Create a supportive, positive work environment

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