



ON THE FRONT LINES OF PUBLIC HEALTH

WHO WE ARE

The Big Cities Health Coalition (BCHC) is a forum for metropolitan health department leaders to exchange strategies and jointly address issues to promote and protect the health and safety of their residents.

Collectively, BCHC's member jurisdictions directly impact more than 61 million people, or one in five Americans.

WHAT WE DO

Foster strong collaboration between urban health departments.

Provide leadership and expertise on complex, shared challenges.

Develop and share programs based on innovative, yet proven, models and best or promising practices.

Provide a unified voice on policy matters and advocate at the national level.

OUR POLICY PRIORITIES

BCHC advocates for investment in public health infrastructure to build more equitable communities and sustainably address the most pressing public health needs. BCHC prioritizes supporting our public health system in the following areas:



Public health workforce & infrastructure



Substance use, including opioids



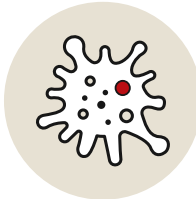
Community safety & violence prevention



Tobacco & chronic disease



City-level data modernization



Infectious disease



Racism, health equity & social determinants of health

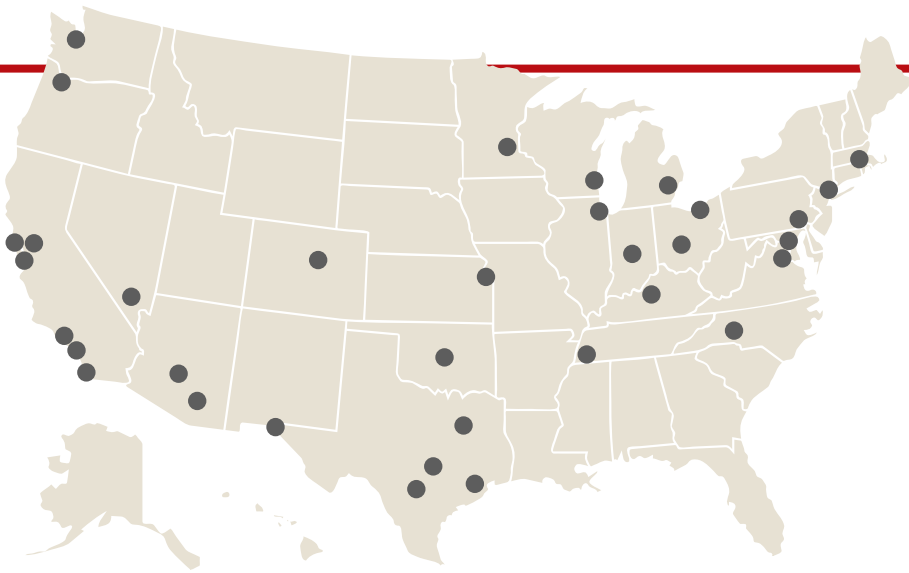


Emergency preparedness & response

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MEMBER JURISDICTIONS

Members have a minimum city population of 500,000 and the local health department is locally controlled, not a state agency.

Austin
Baltimore
Boston
Charlotte (Mecklenburg Co.)
Chicago
Cleveland
Columbus
Dallas (Co.)
Denver
Detroit
El Paso
Houston
Indianapolis (Marion Co.)
Kansas City
Las Vegas (So NV Health Dist.)
Long Beach
Los Angeles (Co.)
Louisville
Memphis (Shelby Co.)
Milwaukee
Minneapolis
New York City
Oakland (Alameda Co.)
Oklahoma City (OKC-Co.)
Philadelphia
Phoenix (Maricopa Co.)
Portland (Multnomah Co.)
San Antonio
San Diego (Co.)
San Francisco
San Jose (Santa Clara Co.)
Seattle (and King Co.)
Tucson (Pima Co.)
Washington, D.C.

WHY BIG CITIES

BCHC was founded in 2002 around the idea that there is something unique about big cities. This is still true today – due to their local mandate, cities are ideally positioned to move more quickly and spur innovation. They impact the health of huge numbers of people. They raise their voices loudly and often to advocate for what is needed most to build safe, healthy, and equitable communities.



URBAN HEALTH AGENDA

Our Urban Health Agenda envisions all government agencies and relevant community-based organizations working together to promote health and safety, in part through dismantling structural inequities and systems built on generations of racism.

OUR LEADERSHIP



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