Mississippi
Mississippi State Department of Health

Agency Mission
The Mississippi State Department of Health mission is to promote and protect the health of the citizens of Mississippi.

Top 5 Priorities for State Health Agency
1. Infant mortality
2. Chronic disease implemented locally
3. HIV/STDs
4. Immunizations
5. Electronic laboratory reporting/billing

Structure and Relationship with Local Health Departments
The state health agency is a freestanding/independent agency and has a centralized relationship with local health departments.

Number of independent local health agencies
(led by local government staff): 0
Number of state-run local health agencies
(led by state government staff): 81
Number of independent regional or district offices
(led by non-state employees): 0
Number of state-run regional or district offices
(led by state employees): 9

State Organizational Structure
The health official does not report directly to the governor. The state has a board of health.

State Health Planning
The state health agency has developed the following within the past five years:

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State Health Agency Workforce
The state health agency has 2,338 FTEs, including 1,399 state workers assigned to local/regional offices.

State Public Health Agency Finance*

Sources of Funding (FY11)

Expenditures (FY11)

Federal Funds 32.5%
Fees and Fines 21.5%
Other Sources 9.0%
Other State Funds 9.1%
State General Funds 27.9%

Administration 7.4%
All-Hazards Preparedness and Response 0.1%
Chronic Disease 9.5%
Environmental Health 10.9%
Health Data 0.1%
Health Laboratory 1.3%
Improving Consumer Health 8.0%
Infectious Disease 2.4%
Injury Prevention 0.5%
Other 0.1%
Quality of Health Services 25.8%
Vital Statistics 1.4%
WIC 32.5%

Total Expenditures FY10: $253,898,742
Total Expenditures FY11: $248,925,981

*FY11 was defined as 7/1/10 - 6/30/11. FY10 was defined as 7/1/09 - 6/30/10.