

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	2017 Act.	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Est.	2021 Est.	2022 Est.	2023 Est.
Infant mortality rate for all races	6.5	6.1	5.9	5.8	5.7	5.6	5.5
Infant mortality rate for African-Americans	10.9	9.9	9.6	9.4	9.3	9.2	9.1
Percent births with first trimester care	69.6%	73.0%	75.0%	73.0%	70.0%	72.0%	73.0%
Teen birth rate per 1,000 women, ages 15-19	14.2	14.1	13.3	14.1	14.3	14.1	13.9

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

Performance Measures	2017 Act.	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Est.	2022 Est.	2023 Est.
Percent of two-year-olds with up-to-date immunizations	70%	74%	68%	72%	N/A	75%	75%
Rate of primary/secondary syphilis per 100,000 population	9.5	12.2	13.7	14.5	8.0	12.0	12.0

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	2017 Act.	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Est.	2022 Est.	2023 Est.
Percent of middle school students who currently smoke cigarettes	N/A	1.1%	N/A	N/A	0.9%	0.7%	N/A
Percent of high school students who currently smoke cigarettes (all ages)	N/A	5.0%	N/A	N/A	4.5%	4.0%	N/A
¹ Percent of adults who currently smoke cigarettes	13.8%	13.3%	12.7%	12.2%	11.7%	11.2%	10.7%

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

Performance Measures	2017 Act.	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Est.	2021 Est.	2022 Est.	2023 Est.
Overall cancer mortality rate per 100,000 population estimate	151.5	150.0	146.0	145.0	139.7	137.2	134.8
Heart disease mortality rate per 100,000 population estimate	164.8	154.3	150.3	154.0	152.4	149.8	147.1

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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	2017 Act.	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Est.	2021 Est.	2022 Est.	2023 Est.
Number of new HIV diagnoses	1,042	997	990	906	838	769	701
Number of new AIDS diagnoses	586	516	367	343	277	211	145

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	2017 Act.	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Est.	2023 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	34	36	38	40	42	46	46

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

Performance Measures	2017 Act.	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Est.	2022 Est.	2023 Est.
² Percent increase in employment at completion of substance related disorder (SRD) treatment	39%	36%	36%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
² Percent of adults that showed a decrease in the number of arrests	45%	47%	63%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
³ Percent of Public Behavioral Health Services (PBHS) SUD service recipients with three or more behavioral health related ED visits	N/A	N/A	N/A	1.1%	1.3%	1.3%	1.4%
³ Total number of PBHS SUD service recipients	N/A	N/A	N/A	122,219	111,018	121,845	122,306

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

Performance Measures	2017 Act.	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Est.	2022 Est.	2023 Est.
² Percent of adults that gained or maintained employment	32%	34%	34%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
² Percent of adults who report being satisfied with their recovery	74%	75%	73%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
³ Percent of PBHS MH service recipients with three or more behavioral health related ED visits	N/A	N/A	N/A	2.1%	0.9%	1.7%	1.5%
³ Total number of PBHS MH service recipients	N/A	N/A	N/A	222,966	220,044	224,785	228,157

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

Performance Measures	2017 Act.	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Est.	2023 Est.
Number of individuals receiving case management services	22,589	22,646	23,012	23,445	25,294	25,309	25,815
Number of individuals receiving community-based services	16,309	16,700	16,868	17,296	17,112	17,995	18,355

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

Performance Measures	2017 Act.	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Est.	2023 Est.
Percentage of elderly and individuals with disabilities receiving state-funded services in community alternatives versus nursing	54%	57%	58%	60%	64%	65%	67%
⁴ Percent of eligibles aged 1 to 20 years who received preventive dental services	N/A	54%	55%	41%	47%	47%	48%

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

Performance Measures	2017 Act.	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Est.	2023 Est.
⁵ Number of days to initiate investigation	51	35	34	33	1	2	2

Goal 12. Reduce the amount of fraud, waste, and abuse in total spending in Medicaid and non-Medicaid state healthcare funds.

Performance Measures	2017 Act.	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Est.	2023 Est.
Annual Program Integrity Unit savings (millions)	\$4.8	\$16.5	\$6.9	\$32.3	\$17.6	\$4.0	\$4.0

NOTES

¹ 2020 data is estimated.

² These metrics are temporarily suspended due to insufficient data from providers.

³ These metrics were added in December 2021 to temporarily replace suspended metrics.

⁴ 2021 data is estimated.

⁵ This measure was recast in 2021, prior year data is not comparable.

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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 Opioid Operational Command Center's vision is that Maryland will be a healthier place where no one else falls victim to substance use disorder, where anyone impacted by substance use disorder can get the help they need, and where there is no more suffering from the misuse of substances.

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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	2017 Act.	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Est.	2022 Est.	2023 Est.
Opioid overdose mortality rate	36%	37%	38%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
The number of MDPCP practices using SBIRT models	N/A	N/A	117.00	157.00	N/A	N/A	N/A

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