Resolution

Proposed No. 08-01.1

A RESOLUTION adopting the 2008 scope of work for the
King County Board of Health.

WHEREAS, Washington state law vests in the King County Board of Health
supervision over all matters pertaining to the preservation of the life and health of the
people of King County, including, but not limited to: the enactment of rules and
regulations to preserve, promote and improve the public health; the prevention and
control of contagious diseases; and the establishment of fees for health-related licenses
and permits; and

WHEREAS, through resolution the King County Board of Health adopted work
programs in 2006 and 2007 to carry out its responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, establishment of the 2006 and 2007 work programs focused the
Board's efforts, resulting in significant accomplishments for 2006 and 2007; and

WHEREAS, in 2006, consistent with the 2006 work program, the board: held
meetings throughout King County; held its first-ever retreat; played an instrumental role
in the development of the Public Health Operational Master Plan ("PHOMP"); reviewed
and provided input to the county council on the executive's proposed budget for the
Seattle-King County department of public health; and successfully advocated for measures to reduce obesity, drowning, health disparities and domestic violence, and

WHEREAS, in 2007, the King County Board of Health adopted goals related to the PHOMP, obesity prevention and public health financing, and adopted a work program supporting those goals, and

WHEREAS, consistent its adopted goals, in 2007 the King County Board of Health: approved the PHOMP policy framework and operational and financing recommendations, setting the strategic direction for the future of public health in King County; passed rules and regulations eliminating transfats in restaurants and requiring chain food establishments to provide nutritional information to consumers on menus and menu boards; successfully advocated for increased state financing for public health; established a call to action for HIV prevention, resulting in specific strategies and increased local financing to reduce new HIV infections; adopted regulations on smoking consistent with those of the state to allow for better local enforcement; reviewed and provided feedback to the county council on the executive's proposed 2008 budget for the department of public health, ensuring that the budget supports the policies adopted by the board in the PHOMP; played a role in the selection and hiring of a new director for the department of public health; and held meetings throughout the county and met jointly with the state Board of Health, and

WHEREAS, the adopted PHOMP Policy Framework for the Health of the Public specifies the goal for the department of public health in King County as to "protect and improve the health and well-being of all people in King County, as defined by per person healthy years lived," and
WHEREAS, the guiding principles adopted in the PHOMP specify that public health strategies shall be based on science and evidence, focused on prevention, centered on the community and driven by social justice to proactively pursue the elimination of health disparities, and

WHEREAS, the PHOMP contains specific goals and strategies for the next four years in each of the public health functions of protection, promotion and provision as well as for organizational attributes of the department of public health and financing for public health services, and

WHEREAS, in 2008 the King County Board of Health will hold regular meetings on the third Thursday of the month and intends to hold special meetings at locations throughout the county;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Health of King County:

A. The 2008 scope of work for the King County Board of Health shall be consistent with the policies adopted in the PHOMP. Accordingly, the King County Board of Health shall work to increase healthy years lived in King County.

B. The King County Board of Health hereby adopts the 2008 scope of work in each of the areas of protection, promotion, provision and financing and organizational attributes as described in "King County Board of Health 2008 Scope of Work," Attachment A to this resolution.

C. The King County Board of Health intends that committees be established in 2008 in each of the following six areas in order to accomplish the adopted scope of work: zoonotics, local hazardous waste, obesity prevention, injury prevention, provision and
financing and performance measurement. Each committee shall develop a work program consistent with the scope of work in Attachment A to this resolution and that shall be reviewed and approved by the board. In accordance with the PHOMP guiding principle "Based on Science and Evidence," each committee's work program shall include expected outcomes and measures of success for its work. In accordance with the PHOMP guiding principle "Driven by Social Justice," each committee's work program shall include a plan for how it will address health disparities, if and as appropriate.

D. In accordance with the adopted Operating Rules of the King County Board of Health, the chair of the King County Board of Health shall appoint members to each of the committees. In accordance with the PHOMP guiding principle "Centered on the Community," committees may include members who are not members of the King County Board of Health.

E. The King County Board of Health intends that the onsite sewage committee continue as established in 2007 until the completion of its work in 2008.

F. The King County Board of Health recognizes that the work of public health must remain flexible and responsive to emerging health needs and conditions. The board
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shall maintain flexibility within its schedule to attend to emergent issues that significantly
impact the life and health of the people of King County.

Resolution was introduced on and passed by the Board of Health on 1/17/2008, by the
following vote:

Yes: 11 - Mr. Ferguson, Ms. Patterson, Mr. Dunn, Ms. Clark, Mr. Rasmussen,
Mr. Hutchinson, Ms. Frisinger, Dr. Nicola, Ms. Manning, Dr. Counts and Mr.
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No: 0
Excused: 3 - Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer and Mr. Gossett

KING COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Julia Patterson, Chair

ATTEST:

Anne Noris, Clerk of the Board

Attachments

King County Board of Health 2008 Scope of Work