



King County

KING COUNTY

Signature Report

1200 King County Courthouse  
516 Third Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98104

February 20, 2009

Resolution

Proposed No. 09-01.1

1 A RESOLUTION adopting the 2009 scope of work for the  
2 King County Board of Health.

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4 WHEREAS, the King County Board of Health adopted work programs in 2006,  
5 2007 and 2008 to carry out its responsibilities and focus the Board's efforts, and

6 WHEREAS, establishment of the 2006 and 2007 work programs resulted in  
7 significant accomplishments for 2006 and 2007, as previously detailed in Resolution 08-  
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9 WHEREAS, in 2008, the King County Board of Health adopted a work program  
10 based on the structure, goals, and principles of the Public Health Operational Master Plan  
11 ("PHOMP"), including committees to represent the different functions of public health as  
12 described in the PHOMP and to help fulfill the Board's work in those areas, and

13 WHEREAS, consistent with its work program, in 2008 the King County Board of  
14 Health: created committees in the areas of protection, promotion, and provision, each  
15 with individual work plans closely aligned with the PHOMP; adopted the  
16 recommendations of its School Obesity Prevention Committee to assist school districts in  
17 improving the nutrition environment in schools; adopted the onsite wastewater

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18 committee's proposed Rules and Regulations for the protection of the public's health  
19 against the spread of disease from sewage; adopted the provision committee's proposed  
20 principles for health care reform; unanimously adopted an amended nutrition menu  
21 labeling regulation after successful negotiations with the Washington Restaurant  
22 Association ("WRA") to halt preemption by the Washington State Legislature and  
23 lawsuits from the WRA; advocated for stable, dedicated, long-term funding for public  
24 health statewide as well as public health financing options for local jurisdictions; and  
25 reviewed and provided feedback to the county council on the executive's proposed 2009  
26 budget for the department of public health, ensuring that the budget supports the policies  
27 adopted by the board in the PHOMP, and

28 WHEREAS, additional activities and accomplishments of the King County Board  
29 of Health in 2008 are highlighted in Attachment A to this resolution, and

30 WHEREAS, the adopted PHOMP Policy Framework for the Health of the Public  
31 specifies the goal for the department of public health in King County as to "protect and  
32 improve the health and well-being of all people in King County, as defined by per person  
33 healthy years lived," and

34 WHEREAS, the guiding principles adopted in the PHOMP specify that public  
35 health strategies shall be based on science and evidence, focused on prevention, centered  
36 on the community and driven by social justice to proactively pursue the elimination of  
37 health disparities, and

38 WHEREAS, the PHOMP contains specific goals and strategies for the next four  
39 years in each of the public health functions of protection, promotion and provision as

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40 well as for organizational attributes of the department of public health and financing for  
41 public health services;

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

44 A. The 2009 scope of work for the King County Board of Health shall be  
45 consistent with the policies adopted in the PHOMP. Accordingly, the King County  
46 Board of Health shall work to increase healthy years lived in King County.

47 B. The King County Board of Health hereby adopts the 2009 scope of work in  
48 each of the areas of protection, promotion, provision and financing and organizational  
49 attributes as described in "King County Board of Health 2009 Scope of Work,"  
50 Attachment B to this resolution.

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

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Resolution was introduced on and passed by the Board of Health on 2/19/2009, by the following vote:

Yes: 13 - Ms. Lambert, Ms. Patterson, Ms. Clark, Mr. Rasmussen, Dr. Sherman, Mr. Hutchinson, Dr. Nicola, Dr. Counts, Mr. Gossett and Mr. Licata  
No: 0  
Excused: 3 - Mr. Conlin, Ms. Frisinger and Ms. Manning

BOARD OF HEALTH  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

  
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Julia Patterson, Chair

ATTEST:

  
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Anne Noris, Clerk of the Board

**Attachments**      A. Highlights of the 2008 King County Board of Health Activities and Accomplishments, B. King County Board of Health 2009 Scope of Work