

**VOLUME II: HEALTH AND HUMAN
SERVICES**

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Agency Summary

Department of Health

Agency Mission

The Rhode Island Department of Health's (RIDOH) vision is that all people in Rhode Island will have the opportunity to live safe and healthy lives in safe and healthy communities. Its mission is to prevent disease and protect and promote the health and safety of the people of Rhode Island.

Agency Description

RIDOH's vision and mission recognize that while the Department has made strides in achieving its population health goals, disparities persist, and for the first time in modern years, the current generation of children may have a shorter life expectancy than their parents.

RIDOH has three leading priorities that frame its work:

1. Address the socioeconomic and environmental determinants of health;
2. Eliminate health disparities and promote health equity; and
3. Ensure access to quality health services for all Rhode Islanders, including the State's vulnerable populations.

RIDOH uses five public health strategies to drive success in accomplishing its leading priorities:

1. Promote healthy living through all stages of life;
2. Ensure access to safe food, water, and healthy environments in all communities;
3. Promote a comprehensive health system that a person can navigate, access, and afford;
4. Prevent, investigate, control, and eliminate health hazards and emergent threats; and
5. Analyze and communicate data to improve the public's health.

The Director of Health oversees the Department of Health. The Director of Operations oversees RIDOH's Central Management structure and the Director of Public Health oversees RIDOH's public health Divisions, centers, and programs.

Statutory History

Authorization for the Department of Health is contained in various sections of R.I. General Laws § 23.

Budget

Department of Health

	2023 Actuals	2024 Actuals	2025 Enacted Budget	2025 Revised Budget	2026 Recommended
Expenditures by Program					
Central Management	24,359,081	21,360,306	33,879,399	33,209,320	29,044,554
State Medical Examiner	0	0	0	0	4,589,109
Community Health and Equity	120,368,941	138,980,343	165,526,762	157,398,021	157,843,758
Environmental Health	14,184,934	16,095,690	19,566,006	22,862,174	22,374,870
Health Laboratories	16,101,934	15,778,038	18,877,692	20,324,185	20,945,066
Customer Services	18,281,331	21,299,683	22,955,588	25,932,906	0
Policy, Information and Communications	4,469,951	6,371,237	6,906,738	6,744,551	9,221,944
Preparedness, Response, Infectious Disease, and Emergency Medical Services	18,875,745	21,279,306	19,672,901	20,773,989	0
COVID-19	73,547,934	72,785,705	68,869,887	100,577,102	15,176,647
Healthcare Quality and Safety	0	0	0	0	15,814,446
Emergency Preparedness and Infectious Disease	0	0	0	0	17,104,380
Total Expenditures	290,189,850	313,950,307	356,254,973	387,822,248	292,114,774
Expenditures by Object					
Salary and Benefits	71,123,904	77,513,445	80,998,024	85,684,030	89,902,683
Contract Professional Services	62,800,739	47,792,042	30,245,574	43,416,767	24,301,836
Operating Supplies and Expenses	92,410,139	105,448,602	141,188,859	117,671,211	116,171,154
Assistance and Grants	56,485,634	53,248,356	51,773,469	74,732,344	51,778,062
Subtotal: Operating	282,820,416	284,002,445	304,205,926	321,504,352	282,153,735
Capital Purchases and Equipment	7,241,209	29,699,931	52,049,047	66,037,896	9,961,039
Aid to Local Units of Government	128,226	247,931	0	280,000	0
Subtotal: Other	7,369,435	29,947,862	52,049,047	66,317,896	9,961,039
Total Expenditures	290,189,850	313,950,307	356,254,973	387,822,248	292,114,774
Expenditures by Source of Funds					
General Revenue	33,548,890	34,032,135	40,053,947	40,533,357	38,075,075
Federal Funds	193,174,227	204,666,164	205,109,529	248,320,198	152,861,675
Restricted Receipts	62,899,711	74,881,462	108,069,735	95,308,488	92,414,141
Operating Transfers From Other Funds	567,023	370,546	3,021,762	3,660,205	8,763,883
Total Expenditures	290,189,850	313,950,307	356,254,973	387,822,248	292,114,774
FTE Authorization	543.4	575.6	572.6	572.6	572.6

Personnel Agency Summary

Department of Health

	FY 2025		FY 2026	
	FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Classified	569.6	52,369,392	569.6	55,692,463
Unclassified	3.0	842,493	3.0	851,193
Subtotal	572.6	53,211,885	572.6	56,543,656
Transfer Out		(403,760)		(225,995)
Transfer In		383,864		408,158
Overtime		502,470		364,094
Seasonal/Special Salaries/Wages		321,751		308,988
Turnover		(1,361,436)		(2,112,188)
Total Salaries		52,654,774		55,286,713
Benefits				
Contract Stipends		11,280		12,800
FICA		3,943,641		4,158,603
Health Benefits		8,746,510		9,271,160
Holiday		11,854		12,082
Payroll Accrual		303,328		319,132
Retiree Health		2,044,161		1,780,450
Retirement		16,463,880		17,473,028
Subtotal		31,524,654		33,027,255
Total Salaries and Benefits	572.6	84,179,428	572.6	88,313,968
Cost Per FTE Position		147,013		154,233
Statewide Benefit Assessment		1,504,602		1,588,715
Payroll Costs	572.6	85,684,030	572.6	89,902,683
Purchased Services				
Buildings and Ground Maintenance		34,000		34,000
Clerical and Temporary Services		14,519,386		10,630,394
Design and Engineering Services		1,332,668		1,088,471
Information Technology		4,575,942		2,671,874
Legal Services		547,550		559,800
Management & Consultant Services		2,051,902		491,248
Medical Services		4,439,118		2,315,029
Other Contracts		5,012,901		829,832
Training and Educational Services		9,290,481		5,074,222
University and College Services		1,612,819		606,966
Subtotal		43,416,767		24,301,836
Total Personnel	572.6	129,100,797	572.6	114,204,519

Personnel Agency Summary

Department of Health

	FY 2025		FY 2026	
	FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Distribution by Source of Funds				
General Revenue	237.0	28,255,692	237.0	28,650,054
Federal Funds	260.0	80,919,813	260.0	65,668,722
Restricted Receipts	75.6	19,925,292	75.6	19,885,743
Total All Funds	572.6	129,100,797	572.6	114,204,519

Program Summary

Department of Health

Central Management

Mission

The primary mission of Central Management is to provide leadership, administrative, and programmatic oversight to the various programs and operations of RIDOH.

Description

Central Management, also referred to as Operations, includes Management Operational Functions; the Office of Workforce Development and Engagement; and the Office of Policy, Planning, and Strategy; Central Management provides overall operations direction to the Department. This overall direction is guided by the Department's three leading priorities listed above.

Management operational functions include Finance, Legal Services, Information Technology, Capital Assets Management, and Human Resources functions. The Office of Workforce Development and Engagement includes Learning and Growth as well as Employee Relations, Wellness, and Recognition functions. The Office of Policy, Planning, and Strategy includes Health Regulations, Public Affairs and Legislation, and Academic Affairs and Accreditation functions.

The Office of Academic Affairs and Accreditation works to establish and facilitate partnerships and collaborations with academic and research colleagues across the state and build upon internal and external partnerships and synergy to establish a RIDOH Culture of Learning at RIDOH. The Office is responsible for RIDOH accreditation through the Public Health Accreditation Board RIDOH has been an accredited public health department since 2015.

Statutory History

Authorization for Central Management includes §42-6-5, §42-6-8, §42-6-9, §42-6-10, and various sections of Title 23, Chapter 1.

Budget

Department of Health

Central Management

Expenditures by Sub Program	2023 Actuals	2024 Actuals	2025 Enacted Budget	2025 Revised Budget	2026 Recommended
Academic Center	32,017	87,249	276,179	248,343	289,598
Executive Functions	2,575,155	5,341,352	7,816,253	7,406,578	6,733,768
Health Equity Institute	4,342,925	2,720,482	7,526,006	5,621,736	0
Management Services	17,408,983	13,211,223	18,260,961	19,845,163	15,140,316
Opioid Overdose Prevention	0	0	0	87,500	6,880,872
Total Expenditures	24,359,081	21,360,306	33,879,399	33,209,320	29,044,554
Expenditures by Object					
Salary and Benefits	8,032,441	9,231,217	11,119,523	11,319,878	11,630,855
Contract Professional Services	5,523,139	3,484,579	4,188,445	4,971,915	4,729,135
Operating Supplies and Expenses	7,622,873	6,619,233	11,187,503	8,366,783	7,872,064
Assistance and Grants	3,135,473	1,960,060	3,392,729	4,116,332	4,777,500
Subtotal: Operating	24,313,925	21,295,090	29,888,200	28,774,908	29,009,554
Capital Purchases and Equipment	45,155	65,216	3,991,199	4,434,412	35,000
Subtotal: Other	45,155	65,216	3,991,199	4,434,412	35,000
Total Expenditures	24,359,081	21,360,306	33,879,399	33,209,320	29,044,554
Expenditures by Source of Funds					
General Revenue	3,025,230	3,227,002	6,269,508	6,347,026	2,588,732
Federal Funds	3,924,867	4,922,081	9,348,930	7,373,579	4,884,431
Restricted Receipts	17,408,983	13,211,223	18,260,961	19,488,715	21,571,391
Total Expenditures	24,359,081	21,360,306	33,879,399	33,209,320	29,044,554

Personnel

Department of Health

Central Management

		FY 2025		FY 2026	
		FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Classified					
ADMINISTRATOR, FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT	0137 A	8.0	904,468	8.0	925,814
ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR- FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT	0134 A	6.0	562,178	6.0	598,431
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FINANCIAL AND CONTRACT MANAGEMENT	0141 A	3.0	397,464	3.0	415,635
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	0143 A	1.0	125,481	1.0	136,673
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR I (DOH)	0141 A	1.0	132,600	1.0	139,063
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF HEALTH (COMMUNITY AFFAIRS)	0141 A	1.0	153,959	1.0	159,994
ASSISTANT HEALTH PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR	0331 A	2.0	184,129	2.0	187,445
ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR II (DOH)	0148 A	2.0	377,580	2.0	393,321
CHIEF HUMAN SERVICES BUSINESS OFFICER	0133 A	1.0	98,717	1.0	102,482
CHIEF IMPLEMENTATION AIDE	0128 A	1.0	75,922	1.0	80,484
CHIEF OFFICE OF SPECIAL PROJECTS	0137 A	2.0	217,808	2.0	226,520
CHIEF OF STAFF DEVELOPMENT- TRAINING & CONT QUAL IMPROV	0135 A	1.0	92,534	1.0	99,748
FISCAL MANAGEMENT OFFICER	0326 A	2.0	154,233	2.0	163,698
HUMAN SERVICES BUSINESS OFFICER	0322 A	3.0	171,376	3.0	183,925
INTERDEPARTMENTAL PROJECT MANAGER	0139 A	1.0	122,050	1.0	126,711
PRINCIPAL HUMAN SERVICES BUSINESS OFFICER	0328 A	4.0	295,192	4.0	318,220
PROGRAMMING SERVICES OFFICER	0131 A	3.0	259,005	3.0	275,758
SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH EPIDEMIOLOGIST	0331 A	1.0	88,254	1.0	91,692
SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH PROMOTION SPECIALIST	0331 A	1.0	87,770	1.0	91,694
SUPERVISING ACCOUNTANT	0131 A	3.0	249,420	3.0	266,668
Subtotal Classified		47.0	4,750,140	47.0	4,983,976
Unclassified					
DIRECTOR DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	0955KF	1.0	250,000	1.0	250,000
Subtotal Unclassified		1.0	250,000	1.0	250,000
Subtotal		48.0	5,000,140	48.0	5,233,976
Transfer Out			(1,265,729)		(1,324,518)
Transfer In			3,069,594		3,118,400
Overtime			53,025		132,515
Turnover			0		(86,957)
Total Salaries			6,857,030		7,073,416

Personnel

Department of Health

Central Management

	FY 2025		FY 2026	
	FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Benefits				
FICA		514,355		531,429
Health Benefits		1,285,606		1,312,682
Payroll Accrual		39,790		40,951
Retiree Health		268,082		228,410
Retirement		2,157,711		2,240,155
Subtotal		4,265,544		4,353,627
Total Salaries and Benefits	48.0	11,122,574	48.0	11,427,043
Cost Per FTE Position		231,720		238,063
Statewide Benefit Assessment		197,304		203,812
Payroll Costs	48.0	11,319,878	48.0	11,630,855
Purchased Services				
Buildings and Ground Maintenance		34,000		34,000
Clerical and Temporary Services		2,906,604		2,846,499
Information Technology		208,000		405,931
Legal Services		412,500		418,500
Management & Consultant Services		224,425		169,425
Medical Services		123,400		228,400
Other Contracts		381,155		370,700
Training and Educational Services		653,571		255,680
University and College Services		28,260		0
Subtotal		4,971,915		4,729,135
Total Personnel	48.0	16,291,793	48.0	16,359,990
Distribution by Source of Funds				
General Revenue	1.0	1,072,997	1.0	6,000
Federal Funds	8.0	4,788,367	8.0	3,539,169
Restricted Receipts	39.0	10,430,429	39.0	12,814,821
Total All Funds	48.0	16,291,793	48.0	16,359,990

Performance Measures

Department of Health

Central Management

Overdose Fatalities

Over the past 20 years, overdose deaths have been increasing nationally and particularly in Rhode Island. To address this epidemic, RIDOH, in collaboration with the Governor's Overdose Task Force and other state and community partners, have implemented a comprehensive portfolio of interventions to prevent drug-related harms in Rhode Island. Adequate access to naloxone, education in proper harm reduction practices, and removing barriers to the utilization of emergency medical services ensure that fewer overdoses result in a fatality. Through adequate promotion of prevention strategies, our goal is to reduce the number of accidental fatal drug overdoses that occur in Rhode Island. [Note: CY 2024 data may lag as toxicology results can take three months to confirm.]

	<i>Reporting Period: Calendar Year</i>				
	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Target	--	417	401	384	367
Actual	436	404	264	--	--

Program Summary

Department of Health

State Medical Examiner

Mission

The Office of State Medical Examiners (OSME) is responsible for determining cause and manner of death through postmortem investigation of all known or suspected homicides, suicides, accidental deaths, sudden infant deaths, drug-related death, medically unattended or unexplained deaths, and deaths that may constitute the threat of an epidemic or in any way endanger public health.

Description

Through postmortem investigation of certain deaths occurring within the state of Rhode Island, as described in RIGL 23-4, the OSME supports the mission of other RIDOH programmatic areas, as well as external partners by providing key statistics on deaths occurring within the State. These statistics assist with informing recommendations for mitigation and prevention strategies for deaths occurring from causes such as accidental drug overdoses, pediatric deaths such as sudden infant deaths, accidental deaths, maternal deaths, and suicides.

The OSME interacts with federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies when a death is found to be due to a crime. Medical examiners provide testimony in court as subject matter experts during criminal prosecutions. The OSME maintains a high level of preparedness to respond to a demand for services in case of emergencies and maintains a quality assurance program to allow for maintaining nationally recognized accreditation.

Statutory History

The primary enabling legislation for the Medical Examiners Center is RIGL 23-4.

Budget

Department of Health

State Medical Examiner

Expenditures by Sub Program	2023 Actuals	2024 Actuals	2025 Enacted Budget	2025 Revised Budget	2026 Recommended
Operations	0	0	0	0	4,589,109
Total Expenditures	0	0	0	0	4,589,109
Expenditures by Object					
Salary and Benefits	0	0	0	0	3,101,911
Contract Professional Services	0	0	0	0	1,015,713
Operating Supplies and Expenses	0	0	0	0	441,485
Subtotal: Operating	0	0	0	0	4,559,109
Capital Purchases and Equipment	0	0	0	0	30,000
Subtotal: Other	0	0	0	0	30,000
Total Expenditures	0	0	0	0	4,589,109
Expenditures by Source of Funds					
General Revenue	0	0	0	0	4,521,784
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	67,325
Total Expenditures	0	0	0	0	4,589,109

Personnel

Department of Health

State Medical Examiner

	FY 2025		FY 2026	
	FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Transfer In		0		1,904,939
Overtime		0		72,016
Total Salaries		0		1,976,955
Benefits				
FICA		0		108,205
Health Benefits		0		269,608
Holiday		0		11,569
Payroll Accrual		0		10,986
Retiree Health		0		61,910
Retirement		0		607,435
Subtotal		0		1,069,713
Total Salaries and Benefits	0.0	0	0.0	3,046,668
Cost Per FTE Position		0		
Statewide Benefit Assessment		0		55,243
Payroll Costs	0.0	0	0.0	3,101,911
Purchased Services				
Clerical and Temporary Services		0		10,000
Medical Services		0		1,005,713
Subtotal		0		1,015,713
Total Personnel	0.0	0	0.0	4,117,624
Distribution by Source of Funds				
General Revenue	0.0	0	0.0	4,107,624
Federal Funds	0.0	0	0.0	10,000
Total All Funds	0.0	0	0.0	4,117,624

Performance Measures

Department of Health

State Medical Examiner

Postmortem Turnaround Time

The Office of State Medical Examiners (OSME) strives to complete the postmortem examination (autopsy or inspection) in as timely a manner as possible after a decedent's body is received at the state morgue. Timely completion of examination allows for decedents to be released to funeral homes expediently. The figures below represent the percent of examinations conducted within two days of decedent being received. [Note: This performance measure was established in FY 2025. Targets and actuals are under development].

	<i>Reporting Period: Calendar Year</i>				
<i>Frequency: Annual</i>	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Target	--	--	80%	85%	90%
Actual	--	--	--	--	--

Program Summary

Department of Health

Community Health and Equity

Mission

The Division of Community Health and Equity (CHE) works with communities and partners to co-create a healthy Rhode Island by: Recognizing and addressing systems of oppression, challenging historical, long-held beliefs about health and populations; Identifying and centering the needs of communities, especially those experiencing health inequities; Building trust and sustaining reciprocal relationships with communities and partners; Communicating effectively to connect the public with the information and supports they need to be healthy; using data and community-informed, evidence-based approaches and promising practices to innovate inclusive and responsive public health; Modeling a healthy and just workplace that reflects the communities we serve. CHE takes a lead role in preventing disease and protecting and promoting the health and safety of the people of Rhode Island.

Description

CHE includes five Centers and the Health Equity Institute:

The Center for Chronic Care and Disease Management uses a systems approach to reduce the incidence, burden, and associated risk factors related to Alzheimer’s disease, arthritis, cancer, diabetes, heart disease, and stroke to improve health outcomes.

The Center for Health Promotion uses evidence-based and promising public health practices to create social, policy, and physical environments that support healthy living through all stages of life for all Rhode Islanders. Areas of focus include tobacco control, adult cannabis, violence and injury, suicide, and drug overdose prevention.

The Center for Perinatal and Early Childhood Health supports healthy birth outcomes, positive early childhood development and school readiness, and preparation for healthy, productive adulthood by providing and assuring mothers, children, and adolescents access to quality maternal and child health services.

The Center for Preventive Services uses evidence-based practices to improve the quality of preventive care by increasing access to at-risk populations, diminishing ethnic and racial health disparities, and enhancing community partnerships. Areas of focus include adolescent and school health, reproductive health, asthma, immunization, and oral health.

The Center for Maternal and Child Health supports and promotes the health of all birthing parents, children, and families to reduce racial and ethnic, environmental, and socioeconomic inequities and improve outcomes. Its focus is areas including women/maternal health, perinatal/infant health, child health, adolescent health, children with special healthcare needs, and social determinants of health.

The Health Equity Institute collaborates with RIDOH staff and external partners to ensure every Rhode Islander has a fair and just opportunity to be healthy by identifying the root causes of uneven health outcomes across population groups, collaborating with partners to address those root causes, and monitoring Rhode Island’s progress towards more equitable outcomes for all people in Rhode Island.

Statutory History

Authorization for CHE is contained in various sections of Title 23 of the Rhode Island General Laws.

Budget

Department of Health

Community Health and Equity

Expenditures by Sub Program	2023 Actuals	2024 Actuals	2025 Enacted Budget	2025 Revised Budget	2026 Recommended
Associate Director	5,184,320	9,588,266	5,893,340	7,366,691	5,950,195
Chronic Care and Disease Management	9,146,137	8,459,455	8,161,053	8,380,125	8,238,685
Family, Youth & School Success	(19)	0	0	0	0
Health Equity Institute	0	0	0	698,962	2,405,536
Health Promotion and Wellness	10,636,086	9,386,818	9,946,320	10,111,791	9,815,000
Office of the Medical Director	0	0	42,716	0	0
Perinatal and Early Childhood	32,152,939	33,388,051	36,641,480	41,688,197	40,042,506
Preventive Services and Community Practices	63,249,478	78,157,754	104,841,853	89,152,255	91,391,836
Total Expenditures	120,368,941	138,980,343	165,526,762	157,398,021	157,843,758
Expenditures by Object					
Salary and Benefits	13,887,250	15,378,440	16,238,678	17,990,444	22,039,037
Contract Professional Services	7,436,898	8,439,942	6,797,982	8,824,769	7,316,426
Operating Supplies and Expenses	58,190,578	74,146,255	103,435,633	83,076,420	86,297,722
Assistance and Grants	40,813,250	40,980,377	39,007,836	47,461,655	42,175,040
Subtotal: Operating	120,327,977	138,945,014	165,480,129	157,353,288	157,828,225
Capital Purchases and Equipment	40,964	35,329	46,633	44,733	15,533
Subtotal: Other	40,964	35,329	46,633	44,733	15,533
Total Expenditures	120,368,941	138,980,343	165,526,762	157,398,021	157,843,758
Expenditures by Source of Funds					
General Revenue	652,522	798,891	1,151,326	1,162,543	2,051,358
Federal Funds	78,542,087	83,755,784	83,451,102	92,178,446	88,096,432
Restricted Receipts	41,174,332	54,425,669	80,924,334	64,057,032	67,695,968
Total Expenditures	120,368,941	138,980,343	165,526,762	157,398,021	157,843,758

Personnel

Department of Health

Community Health and Equity

		FY 2025		FY 2026	
		FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Classified					
ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR COMMUNITY AND PLANNING SERVICES	0335 A	2.0	201,443	2.0	211,613
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR II (DOH)	0143 A	2.0	294,961	2.0	319,701
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF HEALTH (HEALTH POLICY & PLANNING)	0141 A	1.0	144,716	1.0	150,367
ASSISTANT HEALTH PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR	0331 A	7.0	692,748	7.0	728,967
ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH	0146 A	1.0	158,097	1.0	164,420
CHIEF DIVISION OF ORAL HEALTH	0145 A	1.0	152,157	1.0	158,244
CHIEF FIELD INVESTIGATOR (GENERAL)	0B24 A	2.0	144,852	2.0	151,335
CHIEF IMPLEMENTATION AIDE	0128 A	2.0	157,824	2.0	164,305
CHIEF OFFICE OF HEALTH PROMOTION	0137 A	2.0	221,163	2.0	231,820
CHIEF, OFFICE OF HEALTH PROMOTION	0137 A	1.0	108,904	1.0	113,260
CHIEF OFFICE OF SPECIAL PROJECTS	0137 A	3.0	328,456	3.0	351,235
CHIEF OFFICE OF WOMEN- INFANTS AND CHILDREN (WIC)	0137 A	1.0	119,794	1.0	124,586
CHIEF OF STRATEGIC PLANNING- MONITORING AND EVALUATION	0143 A	1.0	143,969	1.0	151,401
CHIEF PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT	0134 A	3.0	294,387	3.0	312,906
COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSE COORDINATOR	0923 A	1.0	131,554	1.0	138,808
COMMUNITY PROGRAM LIAISON WORKER	0319 A	3.0	165,742	1.0	57,567
COMMUNITY RELATIONS LIAISON OFFICER	0332 A	1.0	47,558	1.0	86,696
DATA ANALYST I	0334 A	1.0	96,079	1.0	99,922
HEALTH POLICY ANALYST	0333 A	3.0	281,631	3.0	300,973
HEALTH PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR	0335 A	9.0	920,408	9.0	971,865
HEALTH RESEARCH PROJECT DIRECTOR	0136 A	1.0	96,715	1.0	104,554
HUMAN SERVICES BUSINESS OFFICER	0322 A	1.0	61,245	1.0	63,695
INTERDEPARTMENTAL PROJECT MANAGER	0139 A	2.0	253,769	2.0	263,788
INTERDEPARTMENTAL PROJECT MANAGER	0143 A	1.0	140,501	1.0	152,909
MEDICAL DIRECTOR- FAMILY HEALTH	0252 A	1.0	205,593	1.0	219,477
PLANNING AND PROGRAM SPECIALIST (HEALTH)	0331 A	5.0	423,500	5.0	450,822
PRINCIPAL PUBLIC HEALTH EPIDEMIOLOGIST	0335 A	2.0	192,655	2.0	209,186
PRINCIPAL PUBLIC HEALTH PROMOTION SPECIALIST	0333 A	9.0	865,712	9.0	905,500
PRINCIPAL RESOURCE SPECIALIST	0328 A	2.0	149,789	2.0	158,257
PROGRAMMING SERVICES OFFICER	0331 A	5.0	432,474	5.0	452,714
PUBLIC HEALTH EPIDEMIOLOGIST	0331 A	5.0	428,428	5.0	455,166
PUBLIC HEALTH NUTRITIONIST	0327 A	1.0	73,855	1.0	76,809
PUBLIC HEALTH PROMOTION SPECIALIST	0329 A	5.0	366,821	5.0	412,947
SENIOR COMMUNITY PROGRAM LIAISON WORKER	0322 A	1.0	61,245	1.0	63,695

Personnel

Department of Health

Community Health and Equity

		FY 2025		FY 2026	
		FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Classified					
SENIOR HUMAN SERVICES POLICY AND SYSTEMS SPECIALIST	0328 A	6.0	449,619	6.0	478,975
SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH EPIDEMIOLOGIST	0333 A	4.0	375,595	4.0	319,966
SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH PROMOTION SPECIALIST	0331 A	12.0	1,038,725	12.0	1,071,055
Subtotal Classified		110.0	10,422,684	108.0	10,849,506
Subtotal		110.0	10,422,684	108.0	10,849,506
Transfer Out			(1,845,952)		(371,554)
Transfer In			2,432,218		3,852,459
Seasonal/Special Salaries/Wages			26,845		26,845
Turnover			0		(845,755)
Total Salaries			11,035,795		13,511,501
Benefits					
Contract Stipends			500		500
FICA			843,128		1,030,992
Health Benefits			1,797,916		2,284,166
Payroll Accrual			64,397		78,602
Retiree Health			433,745		438,247
Retirement			3,495,692		4,303,985
Subtotal			6,635,378		8,136,492
Total Salaries and Benefits		110.0	17,671,173	108.0	21,647,993
Cost Per FTE Position			160,647		200,444
Statewide Benefit Assessment			319,271		391,044
Payroll Costs		110.0	17,990,444	108.0	22,039,037
Purchased Services					
Clerical and Temporary Services			2,008,437		1,885,175
Information Technology			1,231,585		759,750
Management & Consultant Services			14,000		12,000
Medical Services			494,602		456,020
Other Contracts			65,345		75,345
Training and Educational Services			3,936,838		3,543,267
University and College Services			1,073,962		584,869
Subtotal			8,824,769		7,316,426
Total Personnel		110.0	26,815,213	108.0	29,355,463

Personnel

Department of Health

Community Health and Equity

	FY 2025		FY 2026	
	FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Distribution by Source of Funds				
General Revenue	2.0	401,098	2.0	1,176,303
Federal Funds	104.0	22,912,474	102.0	23,818,718
Restricted Receipts	4.0	3,501,641	4.0	4,360,442
Total All Funds	110.0	26,815,213	108.0	29,355,463

Performance Measures

Department of Health

Community Health and Equity

Naloxone Kits Distributed in High Burden Communities

Naloxone is a life-saving drug which can prevent deaths from overdose. It is a critical harm reduction tool to reduce overdose deaths and to engage people who use drugs. The availability of naloxone through community-based harm reduction programs enhances client engagement and referrals for addiction treatment. The figures below represent the the number of naloxone kits distributed by community-based agencies, such as local harm reduction organizations and recovery centers, and through first responder leave behind programs.

	<i>Reporting Period: Calendar Year</i>				
<i>Frequency: Annual</i>	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Target	35,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
Actual	36,669	50,067	41,433	--	--

Compliance with CLAS Standards

According to the Office of Minority Health at the US Department of Health and Human Services, the National CLAS (culturally and linguistically appropriate services) standards offer a blueprint for providing services that are respectful of and responsive to individual cultural health beliefs and practices, preferred languages, health literacy levels, and communication needs.

As such, the Health Equity Institute provides training and technical assistance to partners inside and outside of state government and, medical and healthcare providers, to support increased awareness of, and compliance with, CLAS standards. This includes regularly scheduled didactic training and one-on-one technical assistance sessions led by Institute experts. Training and technical assistance participants are surveyed after receiving training or technical assistance to determine if they have made, or intend to make changes within the next 60 days, to policies and/or practices to support CLAS compliance in their organizations. The figures below represent the percent of survey respondents that have made, or intend to make, changes within the suggested timeframe. [Note: This performance measure was established in FY 2023 and historical targets are not available for CY 2022.]

	<i>Reporting Period: Calendar Year</i>				
<i>Frequency: Annual</i>	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Target	--	50%	65%	80%	80%
Actual	89%	80%	94%	--	--

Program Summary

Department of Health

Environmental Health

Mission

The Division of Environmental Health is responsible for licensure and regulatory activities related to environmental health and all activities related to healthy homes. The Division regulates and provides oversight of population-based activities related to safe food and potable water; healthy homes in the areas of lead, asbestos, and radon; safety of recreational waters at Rhode Island's beaches; health risk assessment and community outreach of contaminated properties; and health and safety in the workplace.

Description

The Division of Environmental Health includes three Centers:

The Center for Food Protection operates licensure and inspection programs to assure that standards are met to protect and promote public health and prevent disease by assuring the safety and quality of the food supply.

The Center for Drinking Water Quality ensures the quality of the State's drinking water supply. The Center is responsible for maintaining compliance with State and federal laws and regulations pertaining to drinking water quality and assuring the safety of public pools and spas through the implementation of State laws and regulations.

The Center for Healthy Homes and Environment protects the health and safety of children, workers, and the general public by identifying and decreasing environmental hazards such as lead, radon, and asbestos and promoting safe work practices to avoid occupational hazards. The Center also includes the Environmental Public Health Tracking Program. The mission of this program is to translate environmental and public health data into meaningful information and increased knowledge and to apply that knowledge to improve community health. The Rhode Island Environmental Public Health Tracking Program is part of a nationwide network that provides information that allows people to understand and take action to prevent and control environmental hazards and related health effects. The Beach Monitoring Program tests and reports on the safety of water at Rhode Island's beaches throughout the summer season. The Agency for Toxic Substances and Diseases Registry (ATSDR) Partnership to Promote Local Efforts to Reduce Environmental Exposure (APPLETREE) Program provides health risk assessments and community outreach regarding known contaminated land sites in Rhode Island.

Statutory History

Authorization for the Division of Environmental Health is contained in Titles 2, 21, 23, 31, 42, and 46 of the Rhode Island General Laws.

Budget

Department of Health

Environmental Health

Expenditures by Sub Program	2023 Actuals	2024 Actuals	2025 Enacted Budget	2025 Revised Budget	2026 Recommended
Associate Director	256,887	421,389	552,218	611,686	820,690
Drinking Water Quality	4,468,060	6,274,706	7,317,264	10,310,171	10,136,540
Environ. Health Risk Assessmnt	116,253	0	0	0	0
Food Protection	5,228,838	4,873,698	5,022,240	5,051,485	5,082,231
Healthy Homes and Environment	4,114,897	4,525,896	6,674,284	6,888,832	6,335,409
Total Expenditures	14,184,934	16,095,690	19,566,006	22,862,174	22,374,870
Expenditures by Object					
Salary and Benefits	10,532,862	11,144,060	11,603,760	12,641,752	13,733,788
Contract Professional Services	654,473	1,294,567	2,750,757	3,945,431	3,195,085
Operating Supplies and Expenses	2,115,946	2,590,219	4,234,497	4,705,953	4,304,805
Assistance and Grants	740,235	823,061	795,751	1,344,038	1,016,192
Subtotal: Operating	14,043,516	15,851,907	19,384,765	22,637,174	22,249,870
Capital Purchases and Equipment	141,418	243,782	181,241	225,000	125,000
Subtotal: Other	141,418	243,782	181,241	225,000	125,000
Total Expenditures	14,184,934	16,095,690	19,566,006	22,862,174	22,374,870
Expenditures by Source of Funds					
General Revenue	5,430,667	5,684,472	7,155,472	7,293,777	6,836,896
Federal Funds	8,161,574	9,653,070	11,442,251	14,557,039	14,433,189
Restricted Receipts	592,692	758,147	968,283	1,011,358	1,104,785
Total Expenditures	14,184,934	16,095,690	19,566,006	22,862,174	22,374,870

Personnel

Department of Health

Environmental Health

		FY 2025		FY 2026	
		FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Classified					
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER	0324 A	1.0	73,050	1.0	72,003
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR II (DOH)	0143 A	2.0	262,309	2.0	285,451
ASSISTANT HEALTH PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR	0331 A	6.0	506,094	6.0	536,390
ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH	0146 A	1.0	168,403	1.0	181,825
CHIEF CLERK	0B16 A	0.0	8,148	0.0	0
CHIEF DATA OPERATIONS	0133 A	1.0	94,106	1.0	97,871
CHIEF DIVISION OF FOOD PROTECTION AND SANITATION	0143 A	1.0	127,730	1.0	139,011
CHIEF PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT	0134 A	2.0	187,165	2.0	198,065
CLINICAL LABORATORY TECHNICIAN	0326 A	1.0	72,671	1.0	77,513
COMPLIANCE/EVALUATION STANDARDIZATION OFFICER	0331 A	1.0	88,254	1.0	91,692
DATA ANALYST I	0334 A	2.0	189,389	2.0	201,765
ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEER I	0329 A	2.0	108,822	2.0	155,180
ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEER II	0333 A	1.0	80,367	2.0	179,854
ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEER III	0336 A	3.0	285,225	3.0	307,040
ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING ASSOCIATE	0326 A	1.0	66,256	1.0	70,875
ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEER IV	0039 A	0.0	0	1.0	113,200
ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEER IV	0339 A	1.0	105,368	1.0	113,972
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH FOOD INSPECTOR	0323 A	3.0	171,952	3.0	184,036
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH FOOD INSPECTOR	0327 A	1.0	69,075	1.0	74,829
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH FOOD SPECIALIST	0323 A	2.0	91,514	2.0	120,388
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH FOOD SPECIALIST	0327 A	11.0	793,543	11.0	840,988
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH RISK ASSESSMENT TOXICOLOGIST	0135 A	2.0	155,131	2.0	201,014
ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENTIST I	0328 A	2.0	144,825	2.0	157,584
ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENTIST II	0332 A	6.0	529,819	6.0	566,374
ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENTIST III	0334 A	2.0	180,984	2.0	195,993
ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENTIST IV	0336 A	1.0	106,375	1.0	114,486
ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENTIST IV	0336 A	1.0	97,794	1.0	105,604
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	0118 A	1.0	49,957	1.0	53,052
HEALTH PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR	0335 A	1.0	96,307	1.0	104,072
HEALTH SERVICES REGULATION LICENSING AIDE II	0316 A	3.0	199,997	3.0	209,104
INDUSTRIAL HYGIENIST	0327 A	6.0	392,662	6.0	459,158
PLANNING AND PROGRAM SPECIALIST (HEALTH)	0331 A	1.0	84,022	1.0	91,692
PRINCIPAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TRAINING SPECIALIST	0329 A	1.0	79,728	1.0	82,918

Personnel

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Environmental Health

		FY 2025		FY 2026	
		FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Classified					
PRINCIPAL PUBLIC HEALTH PROMOTION SPECIALIST	0333 A	1.0	92,623	1.0	96,328
PRINCIPAL RESOURCE SPECIALIST	0328 A	1.0	76,740	1.0	79,808
PUBLIC HEALTH EPIDEMIOLOGIST	0331 A	2.0	176,509	2.0	183,383
PUBLIC HEALTH PROMOTION SPECIALIST	0329 A	1.0	78,528	1.0	82,919
SANITARIAN	0323 A	1.0	70,015	1.0	72,816
SENIOR ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH FOOD SPECIALIST	0330 A	6.0	461,204	6.0	514,936
SENIOR INDUSTRIAL HYGIENIST	0330 A	2.0	181,093	2.0	184,702
SUPERVISING ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH FOOD SPECIALIST	0333 A	4.0	379,903	4.0	397,359
SUPERVISING INDUSTRIAL HYGIENIST	0334 A	1.0	96,079	1.0	99,922
Subtotal Classified		89.0	7,279,736	91.0	8,095,172
Subtotal		89.0	7,279,736	91.0	8,095,172
Transfer Out			(5,877)		(7,193)
Transfer In			486,445		526,505
Overtime			99,007		102,966
Seasonal/Special Salaries/Wages			76,236		63,473
Turnover			(262,000)		(378,492)
Total Salaries			7,673,547		8,402,431
Benefits					
FICA			579,340		636,364
Health Benefits			1,451,753		1,502,489
Payroll Accrual			43,861		48,147
Retiree Health			295,427		268,528
Retirement			2,380,376		2,636,216
Subtotal			4,750,757		5,091,744
Total Salaries and Benefits		89.0	12,424,304	91.0	13,494,175
Cost Per FTE Position			139,599		148,288
Statewide Benefit Assessment			217,448		239,613
Payroll Costs		89.0	12,641,752	91.0	13,733,788
Purchased Services					
Clerical and Temporary Services			1,552,119		1,205,043
Design and Engineering Services			1,332,668		1,088,471
Information Technology			339,908		211,090
Legal Services			118,750		125,000

Personnel

Department of Health

Environmental Health

	FY 2025		FY 2026	
	FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Purchased Services				
Medical Services		50,000		50,000
Other Contracts		218,891		182,386
Training and Educational Services		333,095		333,095
Subtotal		3,945,431		3,195,085
Total Personnel	89.0	16,587,183	91.0	16,928,873
Distribution by Source of Funds				
General Revenue	40.0	6,203,306	40.0	5,933,743
Federal Funds	45.0	9,613,949	47.0	10,005,047
Restricted Receipts	4.0	769,928	4.0	990,083
Total All Funds	89.0	16,587,183	91.0	16,928,873

Performance Measures

Department of Health

Environmental Health

Blood Lead Screening at 18 Months

The earlier children with elevated blood lead levels are identified, the earlier lead exposures can be identified and eliminated. Processing of lead screenings was disrupted by COVID-19. The department is working to return to standard lead screening processing timeliness. The figures below represent the proportion of Rhode Island children who have received at least one blood lead screening by 18 months.

	<i>Reporting Period: Calendar Year</i>				
<i>Frequency: Annual</i>	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Target	73%	74%	75%	76%	76%
Actual	69%	71%	70%	--	--

Proportion of the Population Served by Public Water Systems in Full Compliance

The almost 500 public water systems in Rhode Island need to comply with a number of requirements in the Safe Drinking Water Act and Rhode Island statutes and regulations. These public water systems serve an average daily population between 25 and over 300,000. The figures below represent the percent of the population served by drinking water supplies that have not received any violations over the year, based on a 5-year moving average. Violations can be health-based such as exceedances of the nitrate maximum contaminant level, monitoring such as failure to sample for coliform bacteria, reporting such as failure to report sample results, public notice such as failure to inform the public of a violation, or treatment techniques such as failure to correct a significant deficiency.

	<i>Reporting Period: Calendar Year</i>				
<i>Frequency: Annual</i>	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Target	85%	85%	85%	85%	85%
Actual	75%	78%	72%	--	--

Food Establishment Reinspections Conducted

Critical violations are those linked to foodborne illness. They are designated as Priority or Priority Foundation on the inspection form and include items like food handlers not washing hands, temperature abuse of foods requiring refrigeration or hot holding, cross contamination, and employees working while ill. When critical violations are found, the inspection is coded unsatisfactory. If the follow up inspection has critical violations, it is marked continuing unsatisfactory. Depending on the specific hazards, the goal is to follow up on these inspections as soon as reasonable within 10 working days. The figures below represent the percent of food establishments that were reinspected within 10 business days.

	<i>Reporting Period: Calendar Year</i>				
<i>Frequency: Annual</i>	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Target	80%	80%	80%	80%	80%
Actual	61%	60%	85%	--	--

Program Summary

Department of Health

Health Laboratories

Mission

The Division of State Health Laboratories supports the Department's mission through the scientific identification of pathogenic microorganisms, environmental contaminants, and other toxic substances that threaten the health and safety of Rhode Islanders; and forensic examinations of crime scene evidence. The Division of State Health Laboratories mission is to provide accurate, timely, and effective laboratory services for public health, environmental protection, and forensic science purposes.

Description

Key program functions include early detection and identification of infectious diseases, identification and measurement of environmental contaminants, and the characterization of evidence collected at crime scenes. Services are provided to State and municipal agencies, healthcare providers, and individuals in support of public health and safety goals.

The Division of State Health Laboratories maintains a high level of preparedness to respond to a demand for services in case of an emergency and maintains rigorous quality control and quality assurance programs to allow for maintaining nationally recognized accreditations.

The Division of State Laboratories includes four Centers:

The Center for Biological Sciences supports cross-departmental programs concerned with the early detection, surveillance, and containment of infectious diseases by providing essential laboratory services. Expedient laboratory diagnosis of infectious diseases and timely detection of infectious disease outbreaks allows for preventive measures to be taken that reduce the risk of disease transmission. This Center also provides pathogen genomic data across several programmatic areas including foodborne illness, respiratory pathogens, and emerging pathogen characterization.

The Center for Clinical Toxicology and Laboratory Support provides a variety of testing and support services. Clinical Toxicology capacity provides testing in support of overdose inquiries from the Medical Examiner, statewide non-fatal overdose surveillance, childhood blood lead analysis, biomonitoring, and chemical threat preparedness and response. Support services include specimen processing and triage for all Centers in the Division.

The Center for Environmental Sciences provides testing services to monitor the safety of environmental resources vital to public health, including public and private drinking water sources, ambient air, and food supplies, including shellfish, dairy, and food production sites. Additionally, the Center provides analytical testing to support recreational water safety rabies testing services, and rapid detection and genotyping of pathogens in wastewater to allow for real-time surveillance of pathogens of public health importance.

The Center for Forensic Sciences supports the criminal justice system through the accurate, thorough, and timely examination of evidence through industry best practice analytical testing methods and investigative capabilities. Laboratories in this Center support criminal investigations through Forensic DNA, Forensic Drug Chemistry, Forensic Toxicology, and Forensic Breath Analysis services. The Center also provides unbiased evaluation of evidence and courtroom testimony in support of litigation.

Statutory History

The primary enabling legislation for the State Health Laboratories is RIGL 23-1-3, Maintenance of Laboratories.

Budget

Department of Health

Health Laboratories

Expenditures by Sub Program	2023 Actuals	2024 Actuals	2025 Enacted Budget	2025 Revised Budget	2026 Recommended
Associate Director	3,681,038	2,243,204	5,148,195	5,496,306	10,475,687
Biological Sciences	2,626,202	2,893,634	2,642,985	3,296,968	3,009,836
Environmental Sciences	2,661,594	2,529,963	2,651,890	2,806,151	2,906,951
Forensic Sciences	3,312,959	3,981,830	4,164,350	4,305,559	4,552,592
State Medical Examiners	3,820,141	4,129,406	4,270,272	4,419,201	0
Total Expenditures	16,101,934	15,778,038	18,877,692	20,324,185	20,945,066
Expenditures by Object					
Salary and Benefits	8,937,930	9,316,711	9,748,395	10,170,910	8,018,990
Contract Professional Services	2,000,278	2,137,638	1,525,831	1,627,004	333,296
Operating Supplies and Expenses	3,755,739	3,682,629	4,159,889	4,324,514	3,541,947
Assistance and Grants	(5,625)	0	0	0	0
Subtotal: Operating	14,688,322	15,136,978	15,434,115	16,122,428	11,894,233
Capital Purchases and Equipment	1,413,612	641,060	3,443,577	4,201,757	9,050,833
Subtotal: Other	1,413,612	641,060	3,443,577	4,201,757	9,050,833
Total Expenditures	16,101,934	15,778,038	18,877,692	20,324,185	20,945,066
Expenditures by Source of Funds					
General Revenue	12,677,002	12,954,470	13,340,120	13,559,058	9,514,520
Federal Funds	2,857,909	2,453,022	2,515,810	3,104,922	2,666,663
Operating Transfers from Other Funds	567,023	370,546	3,021,762	3,660,205	8,763,883
Total Expenditures	16,101,934	15,778,038	18,877,692	20,324,185	20,945,066

Personnel

Department of Health

Health Laboratories

		FY 2025		FY 2026	
		FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Classified					
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER	0124 A	1.0	62,689	1.0	68,282
ADMINISTRATOR- OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT	0141 A	1.0	125,931	1.0	133,541
ASSISTANT MEDICAL EXAMINER FORENSIC PATHOLOGIST	0257 A	2.0	461,088	2.0	493,199
ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH	0146 A	1.0	154,498	1.0	164,424
ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH (HEALTH LABORATORIES)	0143 A	2.0	306,318	2.0	323,447
CHIEF DATA OPERATIONS	0133 A	1.0	92,069	1.0	100,121
CHIEF FORENSIC SCIENCES	0141 A	1.0	139,555	1.0	149,162
CHIEF REGISTERED ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORY SCIENTIST	0139 A	1.0	107,676	1.0	116,695
CLINICAL LABORATORY SCIENTIST (PUB HEALTH MICROBIOLOGY)	0329 A	5.0	381,452	5.0	407,768
CLINICAL LABORATORY TECHNICIAN	0326 A	2.0	157,581	2.0	163,827
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	0320 A	1.0	54,783	1.0	59,058
FORENSIC SCIENTIST	0329 A	5.0	395,396	5.0	421,511
INFORMATION AIDE	0315 A	1.0	49,423	1.0	51,514
INSPECTOR BREATH ANALYSIS	0324 A	1.0	65,937	1.0	68,574
LABORATORY TECHNICIAN	0319 A	3.0	161,515	3.0	170,475
MEDICAL EXAMINER'S AGENT	0320 A	1.0	52,572	1.0	55,990
MEDICOLEGAL CASE MANAGER (DOH)	0320 A	2.0	107,191	2.0	114,358
PRINCIPAL CLINICAL LABORATORY SCIENTIST (PUB HLTH CHEM)	0334 A	2.0	210,419	2.0	218,777
PRINCIPAL CLINICAL LABORATORY SCIENTIST (PUB HLTH MICR)	0332 A	3.0	280,497	3.0	291,601
PRINCIPAL FORENSIC SCIENTIST (TOXICOLOGY)	0334 A	1.0	92,367	1.0	100,318
PRINCIPAL HUMAN SERVICES POLICY AND SYSTEMS SPECIALIST	0330 A	1.0	81,489	1.0	86,034
PRINCIPAL REGISTERED ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORY SCIENTIST	0334 A	1.0	100,498	1.0	104,918
QUALITY ASSURANCE OFFICER (BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES)	0337 A	1.0	130,248	1.0	135,368
QUALITY ASSURANCE OFFICER (ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES)	0337 A	2.0	217,730	2.0	230,984
REGISTERED ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORY SCIENTIST	0329 A	5.0	467,744	5.0	493,010
SCENE INVESTIGATOR	0328 A	7.0	560,382	7.0	586,756
SENIOR CLINICAL LABORATORY SCIENTIST (PUBLIC HLTH CHEM)	0332 A	1.0	83,491	1.0	90,669
SENIOR CLINICAL LABORATORY SCIENTIST (PUBLIC HLTH MICR)	0332 A	5.0	441,556	5.0	463,674
SENIOR FORENSIC SCIENTIST	0332 A	8.0	668,365	8.0	749,019

Personnel

Department of Health

Health Laboratories

		FY 2025		FY 2026	
		FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Classified					
SENIOR LABORATORY TECHNICIAN	0322 A	3.0	178,879	3.0	187,595
SENIOR REGISTERED ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORY SCIENTIST	0332 A	8.0	723,579	8.0	757,093
SENIOR SCENE INVESTIGATOR	0330 A	1.0	82,725	1.0	86,034
SUPERVISING CLINICAL LABORATORY SCIENTIST (PB HLTH CHM)	0336 A	1.0	105,409	1.0	109,534
SUPERVISING CLINICAL LABORATORY SCIENTIST (PB HLTH MIC)	0336 A	5.0	568,180	5.0	595,063
SUPERVISING MEDICAL EXAMINER INVESTIGATOR	0332 A	1.0	93,626	1.0	97,372
SUPERVISING REGISTERED ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORY SCIENT	0336 A	3.0	352,515	3.0	366,434
SUPERVISOR BREATH ANALYSIS PROGRAM	0332 A	1.0	98,085	1.0	102,008
SUPERVISOR FORENSIC SCIENCES (DRUG CHEMISTRY)	0336 A	1.0	118,435	1.0	123,166
SUPERVISOR FORENSIC SCIENCES (SEROLOGY)	0336 A	1.0	95,271	1.0	102,400
SUPERVISOR FORENSIC SCIENCES (TOXICOLOGY)	0336 A	1.0	104,819	1.0	109,533
SUPERVISOR OF LABORATORY CENTRAL SERVICES	0330 A	2.0	165,420	2.0	172,068
TOXICOLOGIST	0325 A	1.0	62,476	1.0	66,970
Subtotal Classified		97.0	8,959,879	97.0	9,488,344
Unclassified					
CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER	0965 F	1.0	375,000	1.0	375,000
Subtotal Unclassified		1.0	375,000	1.0	375,000
Subtotal		98.0	9,334,879	98.0	9,863,344
Transfer Out			(2,408,813)		(4,454,263)
Overtime			105,672		13,464
Turnover			(675,135)		(442,492)
Total Salaries			6,356,603		4,980,053
Benefits					
FICA			441,850		381,931
Health Benefits			913,600		728,064
Holiday			11,124		0
Payroll Accrual			36,443		29,095
Retiree Health			246,286		162,277
Retirement			1,983,726		1,592,766
Subtotal			3,633,029		2,894,133

Personnel

Department of Health

Health Laboratories

	FY 2025		FY 2026	
	FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Total Salaries and Benefits	98.0	9,989,632	98.0	7,874,186
Cost Per FTE Position		101,935		80,349
Statewide Benefit Assessment		181,278		144,804
Payroll Costs	98.0	10,170,910	98.0	8,018,990
Purchased Services				
Clerical and Temporary Services		95,000		50,000
Management & Consultant Services		125,000		125,000
Medical Services		1,374,504		133,296
Other Contracts		32,500		25,000
Subtotal		1,627,004		333,296
Total Personnel	98.0	11,797,914	98.0	8,352,286
Distribution by Source of Funds				
General Revenue	86.0	10,092,420	86.0	6,565,410
Federal Funds	12.0	1,705,494	12.0	1,786,876
Total All Funds	98.0	11,797,914	98.0	8,352,286

Performance Measures

Department of Health

Health Laboratories

Non-Fatal Overdose Reporting Timeliness

Specimens from non-fatal overdose cases are submitted to the Rhode Island State Health Laboratories to measure current trends in substance abuse resulting in hospitalization. This data is used in addition to testing of seized drugs and forensic toxicology to provide a wholistic view of opiate and other drug abuse. This data is important for measuring the impact of opiate abuse mitigation efforts and to identify emerging drug use patterns. The figures below represent the percent of non-fatal overdose results reported within two weeks for specimens received by the Rhode Island State Health Laboratories.

	<i>Reporting Period: Calendar Year</i>				
<i>Frequency: Annual</i>	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Target	0%	90%	90%	90%	90%
Actual	0%	2%	20%	--	--

Non-Fatal Overdose Toxicology Submissions

Specimens from non-fatal overdose cases are submitted to the Rhode Island State Health Laboratories to measure current trends in substance abuse resulting in hospitalization. This data is used in addition to testing of seized drugs and forensic toxicology to provide a wholistic view of opiate and other drug abuse. This data is important for measuring the impact of opiate abuse mitigation efforts and to identify emerging drug use patterns. Timely and representative sample submission from non-fatal overdoses is critical to generating real-time data for actionable harm reduction strategies. These samples are mandated through RIDOH's regulations as part of the public health response for the opioid response. The figures below represent the percent of samples that are submitted to the Rhode Island State Health Laboratories for non-fatal opioid overdoses reported to the health department from the 48-hour reporting system from individuals who present to the hospital and fatal overdoses. [Note: This performance measure was established in FY 2024 and CY 2022 targets and actuals are not available.]

	<i>Reporting Period: Calendar Year</i>				
<i>Frequency: Annual</i>	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Target	--	45%	45%	60%	60%
Actual	--	27.0%	20.5%	--	--

Program Summary

Department of Health

Customer Services

Mission

The Division of Customer Services assures minimum standards for the provision of healthcare services are met. The Division licenses, investigates, and disciplines healthcare professionals, healthcare facilities, and health-related facilities. Complaints from all sources are investigated and, if substantiated, compliance action is initiated.

Description

The Division of Customer Services encompasses three Centers:

The Center for Professional Licensing, Boards, and Commissions (CPBL) is responsible for licensing healthcare professionals and administrative oversight of health professionals, Boards, and Commissions. CPBL maintains an integrated license and verification system, processes license applications and renewals, and replies to customer inquiries regarding the licensing process. CPBL also participates in the regulatory and legislative revision processes for health professional licensing issues and the administrative management and oversight of Departmental Boards and Commissions to ensure the highest quality healthcare for Rhode Islanders. RIDOH's Medical Marijuana Program, which accepts, reviews, and approves patient applications and renewals, is housed in the CPBL.

The Center for Health Facilities Regulation (CHFR) is responsible for ensuring that State-licensed and federally certified Medicare and Medicaid healthcare facilities are in compliance with the applicable health, safety, and quality standards and regulations outlined in State and federal law. CHFR maintains an agreement with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services and the State Medicaid Office to conduct Medicare and Medicaid certification surveys and investigations for participating healthcare facilities and providers. Also within the Center for Health Facilities Regulation is the Radiological Health Program (Radiation Control Program), whose mission is to license radiation equipment and radioactive materials and protect Rhode Islanders from excessive exposure to radiation by helping to ensure the safe use of radiation equipment and radioactive materials. The Radiological Health Program works closely with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

The Center for Emergency Medical Services licenses, regulates, and provides oversight for Emergency Medical Services (EMS) practitioners, EMS ambulance services, ambulances, and EMS training programs.

Statutory History

Authorization for the Division of Customer Services is contained in the various sections of Titles 4, 5, 16, 21, 23, and 42.

Budget

Department of Health

Customer Services

Expenditures by Sub Program	2023 Actuals	2024 Actuals	2025 Enacted Budget	2025 Revised Budget	2026 Recommended
Associate Director	3,072,141	4,421,742	5,824,126	7,858,348	0
Facilities Regulations	7,202,006	7,572,004	7,279,351	7,845,969	0
Health Professionals Regulations	4,091,910	4,708,757	4,966,451	4,483,901	0
Professional Boards & Commissions	1,384,306	1,724,710	1,654,112	2,376,844	0
Vital Records	2,530,969	2,872,470	3,231,548	3,367,844	0
Total Expenditures	18,281,331	21,299,683	22,955,588	25,932,906	0
Expenditures by Object					
Salary and Benefits	12,435,824	14,114,760	13,813,613	14,839,049	0
Contract Professional Services	1,386,676	1,908,501	2,167,663	3,643,225	0
Operating Supplies and Expenses	2,432,087	2,351,164	3,537,006	2,559,396	0
Assistance and Grants	2,005,988	2,918,627	3,433,284	4,849,748	0
Subtotal: Operating	18,260,575	21,293,052	22,951,566	25,891,418	0
Capital Purchases and Equipment	20,756	6,631	4,022	41,488	0
Subtotal: Other	20,756	6,631	4,022	41,488	0
Total Expenditures	18,281,331	21,299,683	22,955,588	25,932,906	0
Expenditures by Source of Funds					
General Revenue	8,264,053	8,477,430	8,969,365	8,919,896	0
Federal Funds	6,674,092	7,684,330	7,882,616	8,033,688	0
Restricted Receipts	3,343,186	5,137,924	6,103,607	8,979,322	0
Total Expenditures	18,281,331	21,299,683	22,955,588	25,932,906	0

Personnel

Department of Health

Customer Services

		FY 2025		FY 2026	
		FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Classified					
ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER	0321 A	1.0	58,797	1.0	63,171
ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER	0324 A	1.0	69,234	1.0	72,003
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR I (DOH)	0141 A	1.0	110,585	1.0	115,008
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR II (DOH)	0143 A	1.0	126,380	1.0	137,609
ASSISTANT HEALTH PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR	0331 A	3.0	271,978	3.0	286,077
ASSISTANT RECORDS ANALYST	0319 A	2.0	123,785	2.0	128,957
ASSISTANT SUPERVISOR COMPUTER OPERATIONS	0127 A	1.0	92,817	1.0	96,679
ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR II (DOH)	0143 A	1.0	112,239	1.0	137,375
ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH	0146 A	0.0	29,344	0.0	0
BUSINESS MANAGEMENT OFFICER	0B26 A	1.0	86,574	1.0	90,405
CHIEF COMPLIANCE AND REGULATORY SECTION (PHARMACY)	0335 A	1.0	99,525	1.0	103,506
CHIEF FIELD INSPECTOR (BOARD OF COSMETOLOGY)	0324 A	1.0	60,541	1.0	64,828
CHIEF HEALTH PROGRAM EVALUATOR	0137 A	4.0	427,695	4.0	450,343
CHIEF HUMAN SERVICES POLICY AND SYSTEMS SPECIALIST	0132 A	1.0	90,467	1.0	94,087
CHIEF IMPLEMENTATION AIDE	0128 A	2.0	155,819	2.0	164,535
COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSE COORDINATOR	0923 A	1.0	110,439	1.0	56,597
DEPUTY ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR (DOH)	0144 A	1.0	141,338	1.0	153,474
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH RISK ASSESSMENT TOXICOLOGIST	0135 A	1.0	65,217	1.0	98,254
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	0118 A	2.0	100,650	2.0	106,917
FIELD TECHNICIAN (EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES)	0323 A	2.0	126,197	2.0	133,641
GENEALOGICAL CLERK	0314 A	2.0	100,531	2.0	105,628
HEALTH FAC COMPL SPEC IV	0334 A	1.0	90,774	1.0	99,160
HEALTH FAC COMP SPEC II (ENV)	0331 A	1.0	70,241	1.0	88,888
HEALTH FAC COMP SPEC III (NUTR)	0332 A	1.0	89,168	1.0	92,735
HEALTH FAC COMP SPEC II (NUTRI)	0331 A	2.0	166,397	2.0	181,542
HEALTH FAC COMP SPEC II (SOC W)	0331 A	3.0	256,980	3.0	280,217
HEALTH FACILITY COMPLIANCE SPECIALIST I (GENERALIST)	0330 A	2.0	153,845	2.0	166,464
HEALTH PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR	0135 A	1.0	120,261	1.0	125,373
HEALTH PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR	0335 A	2.0	193,097	2.0	208,534
HEALTH RESEARCH PROJECT DIRECTOR	0136 A	1.0	104,980	1.0	109,352
HEALTH SERVICES REGULATION LICENSING AIDE II	0316 A	7.0	355,902	7.0	372,675
IMPLEMENTATION AIDE	0322 A	2.0	121,336	2.0	129,516
INTERDEPARTMENTAL PROJECT MANAGER	0139 A	2.0	242,956	2.0	253,562

Personnel

Department of Health

Customer Services

		FY 2025		FY 2026	
		FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Classified					
MEDICOLEGAL ADMINISTRATOR	0132 A	1.0	94,808	1.0	98,791
NURSING CARE EVALUATOR I	0920 A	9.0	917,348	9.0	966,450
NURSING CARE EVALUATOR II	0923 A	10.0	1,204,583	10.0	1,273,489
PRINCIPAL ECONOMIC AND POLICY ANALYST	0138 A	1.0	101,298	1.0	109,203
PRINCIPAL HUMAN SERVICES POLICY AND SYSTEMS SPECIALIST	0330 A	2.0	171,231	2.0	177,847
PRINCIPAL NURSING CARE EVALUATOR	0926 A	3.0	445,701	3.0	469,783
PROGRAM ANALYST	0322 A	1.0	58,065	1.0	62,672
PUBLIC HEALTH PROMOTION SPECIALIST	0329 A	5.0	424,275	5.0	441,538
QUALITY ASSURANCE OFFICER (FORENSIC SCIENCES)	0337 A	1.0	62,977	1.0	98,244
RADIOLOGICAL HEALTH SPECIALIST	0330 A	3.0	204,834	3.0	250,223
SENIOR CLINICAL LABORATORY SCIENTIST (GENERAL)	0330 A	1.0	82,725	1.0	86,034
SENIOR HUMAN SERVICES POLICY AND SYSTEMS SPECIALIST	0328 A	5.0	389,422	5.0	404,770
SENIOR RADIOLOGICAL HEALTH SPECIALIST	0332 A	1.0	100,765	1.0	104,688
STATE DIRECTOR OF NURSING REGISTRATION & NURSING EDUC	0137 A	1.0	108,904	1.0	113,260
SUPERVISING RADIOLOGICAL HEALTH SPECIALIST	0334 A	1.0	65,719	1.0	93,278
TRAINING COORDINATOR (EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES)	0331 A	1.0	85,357	1.0	89,392
Subtotal Classified		101.0	9,044,101	101.0	9,606,774
Unclassified					
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER	0966 F	1.0	217,493	1.0	226,193
Subtotal Unclassified		1.0	217,493	1.0	226,193
Subtotal		102.0	9,261,594	102.0	9,832,967
Transfer Out			(1,151,149)		(9,832,967)
Transfer In			1,230,971		0
Overtime			123,322		0
Seasonal/Special Salaries/Wages			3,000		0
Turnover			(379,301)		0
Total Salaries			9,088,437		0

Personnel

Department of Health

Customer Services

	FY 2025		FY 2026	
	FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Benefits				
FICA		686,573		0
Health Benefits		1,537,747		0
Holiday		236		0
Payroll Accrual		52,704		0
Retiree Health		355,161		0
Retirement		2,856,766		0
Subtotal		5,489,187		0
Total Salaries and Benefits	102.0	14,577,624	102.0	0
Cost Per FTE Position		142,918		0
Statewide Benefit Assessment		261,425		0
Payroll Costs	102.0	14,839,049	102.0	0
Purchased Services				
Clerical and Temporary Services		1,318,928		0
Information Technology		558,270		0
Legal Services		1,300		0
Medical Services		197,712		0
Other Contracts		299,425		0
Training and Educational Services		1,267,590		0
Subtotal		3,643,225		0
Total Personnel	102.0	18,482,274	102.0	0
Distribution by Source of Funds				
General Revenue	64.0	7,987,242	64.0	0
Federal Funds	29.0	6,630,118	29.0	0
Restricted Receipts	9.0	3,864,914	9.0	0
Total All Funds	102.0	18,482,274	102.0	0

Program Summary

Department of Health

Policy, Information and Communications

Mission

The Division of Policy, Information, and Communications is responsible for the acquisition and use of clear, accurate, and appropriate data to inform public health policy as well as the provision of high-quality, timely, and accurate health information to the public so they can understand health risks and make healthy and safe choices. The Division is also responsible for regulating the introduction of new health services and major medical equipment into the healthcare delivery system and regulating changes in ownership and control of the licensed facilities that form the healthcare delivery system in Rhode Island.

Description

The Division of Policy, Information, and Communications is comprised of four Centers:

The Center for Health Data and Analysis and Public Health Informatics is responsible for the acquisition, provision, and use of clear, accurate, and appropriate data and analyses. The Center manages health datasets and systems and provides the analytic capacity to RIDOH Divisions, Centers, and programs, including the provision of data for RIDOH's Center for COVID-19 Epidemiology. Center activities inform and drive public health program and policy decisions.

The Center for Public Health Communication, which includes the Public Health Information Officer, provides high-quality, timely, and accurate health information to the public so they can understand health risks and make healthy and safe choices.

The Center for Health Systems Policy and Planning is responsible for preventing unnecessary duplication in the healthcare system, including medical services, facilities, and equipment. The Center reviews applications for licensure, changes in ownership and control of healthcare facilities, and hospital conversions. The Center includes the Office of Primary Care and Rural Health, which administers the State Health Professionals Loan Repayment Program.

The Center for Vital Records is responsible for the administration, statutory compliance, and regulatory promulgation of Rhode Island's vital records system of births, marriages, and deaths, including fetal deaths. Vital Records is accountable for collecting timely quality field-level data that will be analyzed and disseminated to many local, state, and federal agencies.

Statutory History

Authorization for the activities within the Division of Policy, Information, and Communications is contained within the various sections of Title 23 of the Rhode Island General Laws.

Budget

Department of Health

Policy, Information and Communications

Expenditures by Sub Program	2023 Actuals	2024 Actuals	2025 Enacted Budget	2025 Revised Budget	2026 Recommended
Associate Director	515,455	536,636	567,243	555,123	414,214
Center for Health Data Analysis	2,753,992	2,565,460	3,094,421	3,576,259	2,596,784
Center for Vital Records	0	50,263	0	55,545	3,505,918
Health Systems Policy & Regulation	1,200,504	3,218,877	3,245,074	2,557,624	2,705,028
Total Expenditures	4,469,951	6,371,237	6,906,738	6,744,551	9,221,944
Expenditures by Object					
Salary and Benefits	2,434,019	2,748,304	2,971,853	2,718,691	4,611,164
Contract Professional Services	727,968	696,097	1,077,967	1,555,213	1,808,671
Operating Supplies and Expenses	1,183,298	1,058,545	1,095,418	1,270,774	1,387,124
Assistance and Grants	119,556	1,867,106	1,760,000	1,196,299	1,396,299
Subtotal: Operating	4,464,841	6,370,052	6,905,238	6,740,977	9,203,258
Capital Purchases and Equipment	5,109	1,185	1,500	3,574	18,686
Subtotal: Other	5,109	1,185	1,500	3,574	18,686
Total Expenditures	4,469,951	6,371,237	6,906,738	6,744,551	9,221,944
Expenditures by Source of Funds					
General Revenue	1,002,747	979,118	998,588	1,027,989	2,785,613
Federal Funds	3,086,686	4,043,618	4,095,600	3,944,501	5,593,898
Restricted Receipts	380,518	1,348,500	1,812,550	1,772,061	842,433
Total Expenditures	4,469,951	6,371,237	6,906,738	6,744,551	9,221,944

Personnel

Department of Health

Policy, Information and Communications

		FY 2025		FY 2026	
		FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Classified					
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR I (DOH)	0141 A	1.0	122,017	1.0	133,073
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR II (DOH)	0143 A	1.0	161,619	1.0	173,015
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF HEALTH (HEALTH POLICY & PLANNING)	0141 A	1.0	111,080	1.0	121,704
ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH	0146 A	1.0	188,509	1.0	192,436
CHIEF OF INFORMATION AND PUBLIC RELATIONS	0129 A	1.0	79,133	1.0	83,755
CHIEF OF STRATEGIC PLANNING- MONITORING AND EVALUATION	0143 A	1.0	168,012	1.0	174,724
CHIEF PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT	0134 A	1.0	119,940	1.0	101,661
COMMUNITY PROGRAM LIAISON WORKER	0319 A	4.0	215,989	4.0	227,790
COMMUNITY RELATIONS LIAISON OFFICER	0132 A	1.0	163,791	1.0	176,861
DATA ANALYST I	0134 A	1.0	90,254	1.0	97,120
DATA ANALYST I	0334 A	1.0	100,373	1.0	105,114
DATA ANALYST II	0138 A	2.0	177,497	2.0	226,180
DATA CONTROL CLERK	0315 A	1.0	46,720	1.0	49,470
HEALTH ECONOMICS SPECIALIST	0331 A	1.0	45,819	1.0	83,520
HEALTH PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR	0335 A	3.0	296,555	3.0	312,592
HUMAN SERVICES POLICY AND SYSTEMS SPECIALIST	0324 A	1.0	59,708	1.0	64,027
INTERDEPARTMENTAL PROJECT MANAGER	0139 A	3.0	379,434	3.0	400,196
MANAGER OF DIGITAL IMAGING AND OTHER SERVICES	0328 A	1.0	84,413	1.0	87,790
PLANNING AND PROGRAM SPECIALIST (HEALTH)	0331 A	3.0	246,758	3.0	263,208
PRINCIPAL PUBLIC HEALTH EPIDEMIOLOGIST	0335 A	7.0	722,392	7.0	754,456
PRINCIPAL PUBLIC HEALTH PROMOTION SPECIALIST	0333 A	3.0	281,548	3.0	292,663
PROGRAMMING SERVICES OFFICER	0131 A	1.0	95,437	1.0	99,094
PROGRAMMING SERVICES OFFICER	0331 A	1.0	90,252	1.0	93,862
PUBLIC HEALTH EPIDEMIOLOGIST	0331 A	1.0	86,316	1.0	91,692
PUBLIC HEALTH PROMOTION SPECIALIST	0329 A	1.0	79,729	1.0	82,918
SENIOR COMMUNITY PROGRAM LIAISON WORKER	0322 A	1.0	61,245	1.0	63,695
SENIOR HUMAN SERVICES POLICY AND SYSTEMS SPECIALIST	0328 A	6.0	466,633	6.0	494,732
SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH EPIDEMIOLOGIST	0333 A	4.0	365,492	4.0	387,033
SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH PROMOTION SPECIALIST	0331 A	8.0	694,026	8.0	714,526
SENIOR RESEARCH TECHNICIAN	0323 A	1.0	76,655	0.0	0
SENIOR WORD PROCESSING TYPIST	0312 A	1.0	46,292	1.0	48,144
SUPERVISING GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM SPECIALIST	0332 A	1.0	87,679	1.0	92,735
SYSTEMS ANALYST	0324 A	1.0	62,495	1.0	67,752

Personnel

Department of Health

Policy, Information and Communications

		FY 2025		FY 2026	
		FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Classified					
WEB DEVELOPMENT MANAGER	0135 A	1.6	202,744	1.6	210,855
Subtotal Classified		67.6	6,276,556	66.6	6,568,393
Subtotal		67.6	6,276,556	66.6	6,568,393
Transfer Out			(4,729,461)		(4,996,219)
Transfer In			89,214		1,311,155
Overtime			1,965		2,044
Turnover			(2,000)		(82,000)
Total Salaries			1,636,274		2,803,373
Benefits					
Contract Stipends			12,300		12,300
FICA			124,909		212,962
Health Benefits			307,192		503,246
Holiday			494		513
Payroll Accrual			9,547		16,307
Retiree Health			64,393		91,045
Retirement			516,185		890,174
Subtotal			1,035,020		1,726,547
Total Salaries and Benefits		67.6	2,671,294	66.6	4,529,920
Cost Per FTE Position			39,516		68,017
Statewide Benefit Assessment			47,397		81,244
Payroll Costs		67.6	2,718,691	66.6	4,611,164
Purchased Services					
Clerical and Temporary Services			308,485		528,989
Information Technology			316,421		853,229
Legal Services			15,000		15,000
Management & Consultant Services			688,477		184,823
Other Contracts			360		160
Training and Educational Services			226,470		226,470
Subtotal			1,555,213		1,808,671
Total Personnel		67.6	4,273,904	66.6	6,419,835

Personnel

Department of Health

Policy, Information and Communications

	FY 2025		FY 2026	
	FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Distribution by Source of Funds				
General Revenue	38.0	963,020	38.0	2,260,082
Federal Funds	10.0	1,952,504	10.0	3,575,597
Restricted Receipts	19.6	1,358,380	18.6	584,156
Total All Funds	67.6	4,273,904	66.6	6,419,835

Performance Measures

Department of Health

Policy, Information and Communications

Vital Records -Average Customer Wait Time

The State Office of Vital Records aims to improve the customer experience by implementing a public facing customer service center. The figures below represent the average number of minutes customers wait before being served [Note: This performance measure was established in FY 2025. Targets and actuals are under development].

Frequency: Annual

Reporting Period: Calendar Year

	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Target	--	--	25	15	10
Actual	--	--	--	--	--

Program Summary

Department of Health

Preparedness, Response, Infectious Disease, and Emergency Medical Services

Mission

The Division of Preparedness, Response, Infectious Disease, and Emergency Medical Services is responsible for creating and promoting a state of readiness and prompt response to protect the health of Rhode Islanders during catastrophic events, large-scale disasters, and other types of emergencies and controlling person-to-person spread of infectious diseases.

Description

The Division of Preparedness, Response, Infectious Disease, and Emergency Medical Services includes:

The Center for Acute Infectious Disease Epidemiology is responsible for the detection, control, and prevention of infectious diseases of public health significance. The Center conducts surveillance and investigates a wide array of reportable diseases; collects, analyzes, and distributes information about infectious diseases; and investigates and responds to disease cases and outbreaks to minimize the impact of infectious diseases on the health and economy of the state.

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The Center for Emergency Preparedness and Response (CEPR) coordinates emergency preparedness and response activities, including planning, education, assessment, and support services among public health providers, private medical providers, public safety agencies, and government officials.

Statutory History

Authorization for the activities within the Division of Preparedness, Response, Infectious Disease, and Emergency Medical Services is contained within the various sections of Title 23 of the Rhode Island General Laws.

Budget

Department of Health

Preparedness, Response, Infectious Disease, and Emergency Medical Services

Expenditures by Sub Program	2023 Actuals	2024 Actuals	2025 Enacted Budget	2025 Revised Budget	2026 Recommended
Acute Infectious Diseases	6,761,835	8,748,719	6,158,263	8,536,575	0
Emergency Medical Services	1,333,514	1,162,790	1,531,223	1,741,365	0
Emergency Preparedness and Response	7,965,050	8,625,184	8,361,232	7,311,597	0
HIV, Hep, STDs and TB	2,815,346	2,742,613	3,622,183	3,184,452	0
Total Expenditures	18,875,745	21,279,306	19,672,901	20,773,989	0
Expenditures by Object					
Salary and Benefits	10,262,748	10,477,274	10,982,440	10,105,000	0
Contract Professional Services	1,193,229	1,202,389	1,305,172	1,473,647	0
Operating Supplies and Expenses	4,774,729	4,779,052	4,847,075	5,542,908	0
Assistance and Grants	1,867,960	1,898,942	2,398,929	2,362,179	0
Subtotal: Operating	18,098,666	18,357,657	19,533,616	19,483,734	0
Capital Purchases and Equipment	777,079	2,921,649	139,285	1,290,255	0
Subtotal: Other	777,079	2,921,649	139,285	1,290,255	0
Total Expenditures	18,875,745	21,279,306	19,672,901	20,773,989	0
Expenditures by Source of Funds					
General Revenue	2,200,146	2,146,714	2,169,568	2,223,068	0
Federal Funds	16,675,599	19,132,592	17,503,333	18,550,921	0
Total Expenditures	18,875,745	21,279,306	19,672,901	20,773,989	0

Personnel

Department of Health

Preparedness, Response, Infectious Disease, and Emergency Medical Services

		FY 2025		FY 2026	
		FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Classified					
ADMINISTRATOR, FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT	0137 A	1.0	49,781	1.0	105,435
ASSISTANT BUSINESS MANAGEMENT OFFICER	0319 A	1.0	52,739	1.0	56,486
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR II (DOH)	0143 A	2.0	277,297	2.0	301,030
ASSISTANT HEALTH PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR	0331 A	3.0	258,675	3.0	273,177
ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH	0146 A	1.0	173,910	1.0	180,866
CHIEF IMPLEMENTATION AIDE	0128 A	1.0	75,629	1.0	80,484
CHIEF OFFICE OF HEALTH PROMOTION	0137 A	1.0	108,904	1.0	113,260
CHIEF OFFICE OF SPECIAL PROJECTS	0137 A	2.0	213,941	2.0	226,252
COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSE COORDINATOR	0923 A	3.0	289,395	3.0	368,416
CONSULTANT PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE	0926 A	5.0	805,402	5.0	756,714
DATA CONTROL CLERK	0315 A	2.0	96,320	2.0	101,054
DISEASE INTERVENTION SPECIALIST I	0324 A	4.0	258,817	4.0	278,503
DISEASE INTERVENTION SPECIALIST II	0327 A	5.0	363,875	5.0	390,833
HEALTH POLICY ANALYST	0333 A	5.0	485,313	5.0	504,021
HEALTH PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR	0335 A	2.0	208,412	2.0	219,892
INTERDEPARTMENTAL PROJECT MANAGER	0139 A	2.0	241,827	2.0	254,381
MEDICAL DIRECTOR- FAMILY HEALTH	0252 A	1.0	210,360	1.0	219,477
PRINCIPAL PUBLIC HEALTH EPIDEMIOLOGIST	0335 A	2.0	208,741	2.0	216,902
PROGRAMMING SERVICES OFFICER	0331 A	1.0	52,161	1.0	83,520
PUBLIC HEALTH EPIDEMIOLOGIST	0331 A	4.0	340,964	4.0	362,453
PUBLIC HEALTH PROMOTION SPECIALIST	0329 A	1.0	86,130	1.0	89,478
SENIOR HUMAN SERVICES POLICY AND SYSTEMS SPECIALIST	0328 A	1.0	72,046	1.0	78,211
SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH EPIDEMIOLOGIST	0331 A	1.0	87,608	1.0	91,692
SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH EPIDEMIOLOGIST	0333 A	4.0	362,118	4.0	382,620
SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH PROMOTION SPECIALIST	0331 A	3.0	255,931	3.0	270,476
Subtotal Classified		58.0	5,636,296	58.0	6,005,633
Subtotal		58.0	5,636,296	58.0	6,005,633
Transfer Out			(1,467,639)		(6,005,633)
Transfer In			1,940,765		0
Overtime			40,756		0
Seasonal/Special Salaries/Wages			215,670		0
Turnover			(43,000)		0
Total Salaries			6,322,848		0

Personnel

Department of Health

Preparedness, Response, Infectious Disease, and Emergency Medical Services

	FY 2025		FY 2026	
	FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Benefits				
Contract Stipends		(1,520)		0
FICA		480,249		0
Health Benefits		924,744		0
Payroll Accrual		35,491		0
Retiree Health		239,007		0
Retirement		1,928,259		0
Subtotal		3,606,230		0
Total Salaries and Benefits	58.0	9,929,078	58.0	0
Cost Per FTE Position		171,191		0
Statewide Benefit Assessment		175,922		0
Payroll Costs	58.0	10,105,000	58.0	0
Purchased Services				
Clerical and Temporary Services		579,952		0
Information Technology		107,000		0
Medical Services		140,000		0
Other Contracts		152,500		0
Training and Educational Services		494,195		0
Subtotal		1,473,647		0
Total Personnel	58.0	11,578,647	58.0	0
Distribution by Source of Funds				
General Revenue	6.0	1,535,609	6.0	0
Federal Funds	52.0	10,043,038	52.0	0
Total All Funds	58.0	11,578,647	58.0	0

Program Summary

Department of Health

COVID-19

Mission

The COVID-19 Unit is responsible for the public health aspects of Rhode Island's COVID-19 response: providing and reinforcing public health guidance appropriate to each stage of the pandemic, tracking and minimizing the spread of the disease, and promoting equity throughout the response.

Description

The COVID-19 Unit connects Rhode Islanders with the services and supports needed to prevent, detect, and treat COVID-19; encourages all Rhode Islanders to stay up to date with their COVID-19 vaccinations; monitors and responds to the spread of COVID-19 in Rhode Island communities; advises Rhode Islanders and special populations on the best mitigation practices based on current community levels; and maintains covid.ri.gov with the latest guidance and resources.

Statutory History

N/A

Budget

Department of Health

COVID-19

Expenditures by Sub Program	2023 Actuals	2024 Actuals	2025 Enacted Budget	2025 Revised Budget	2026 Recommended
Communications	1,198,931	413,236	107,189	214,934	167,772
Community Mitigation & Prevention	3,560,106	2,543,556	4,330,365	3,915,966	0
Contact Tracing/Case Investigation	17,876,747	2,879,998	3,710,518	2,914,955	4,165,720
Data Analytics, Tech & Modeling	23,900,191	6,419,028	6,284,077	3,426,975	2,332,023
Other Support Services	15,666,041	53,552,277	48,956,638	76,340,439	6,939,926
Supplies	2,497,383	4,189,791	4,620,490	12,375,604	0
Testing	8,848,536	2,787,818	860,610	1,388,229	1,571,206
Total Expenditures	73,547,934	72,785,705	68,869,887	100,577,102	15,176,647
Expenditures by Object					
Salary and Benefits	4,600,829	5,102,679	4,519,762	5,898,306	4,814,300
Contract Professional Services	43,878,078	28,628,328	10,431,757	17,375,563	4,106,816
Operating Supplies and Expenses	12,334,889	10,221,505	8,691,838	7,824,463	5,651,064
Assistance and Grants	7,808,797	2,800,182	984,940	13,402,093	99,502
Subtotal: Operating	68,622,593	46,752,695	24,628,297	44,500,425	14,671,682
Capital Purchases and Equipment	4,797,115	25,785,079	44,241,590	55,796,677	504,965
Aid to Local Units of Government	128,226	247,931	0	280,000	0
Subtotal: Other	4,925,341	26,033,010	44,241,590	56,076,677	504,965
Total Expenditures	73,547,934	72,785,705	68,869,887	100,577,102	15,176,647
Expenditures by Source of Funds					
General Revenue	296,522	(235,961)	0	0	0
Federal Funds	73,251,413	73,021,666	68,869,887	100,577,102	15,176,647
Total Expenditures	73,547,934	72,785,705	68,869,887	100,577,102	15,176,647

Personnel

Department of Health

COVID-19

	FY 2025		FY 2026	
	FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Transfer In		3,605,517		2,960,388
Overtime		78,723		0
Total Salaries		3,684,240		2,960,388
Benefits				
FICA		273,237		223,705
Health Benefits		527,952		485,708
Payroll Accrual		21,095		17,258
Retiree Health		142,060		96,211
Retirement		1,145,165		945,179
Subtotal		2,109,509		1,768,061
Total Salaries and Benefits	0.0	5,793,749	0.0	4,728,449
Cost Per FTE Position		0		
Statewide Benefit Assessment		104,557		85,851
Payroll Costs	0.0	5,898,306	0.0	4,814,300
Purchased Services				
Clerical and Temporary Services		5,749,861		3,275,345
Information Technology		1,814,758		334,874
Management & Consultant Services		1,000,000		0
Medical Services		2,058,900		248,000
Other Contracts		3,862,725		10,000
Training and Educational Services		2,378,722		216,500
University and College Services		510,597		22,097
Subtotal		17,375,563		4,106,816
Total Personnel	0.0	23,273,869	0.0	8,921,116
Distribution by Source of Funds				
Federal Funds	0.0	23,273,869	0.0	8,921,116
Total All Funds	0.0	23,273,869	0.0	8,921,116

Performance Measures

Department of Health

COVID-19

New COVID-19 Hospital Admissions per 100,000 Population

COVID-19 will continue to circulate in Rhode Island's communities, so the state must minimize the severe impact that this virus has on the health of our state's residents. The state must also prevent this virus from overwhelming the hospitals and healthcare systems. Vaccinations and therapeutics are effective tools that help protect the public from severe illness which lead to hospitalizations. The figures below represent the rate of the total number of patients (Rhode Island residents) admitted with laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 to an adult or pediatric inpatient bed during the calendar year per 100,000 population in a Rhode Island hospital. All rates were calculated using the U.S. Census Bureau's 2020 ACS 5-year estimates for Rhode Island.

Frequency: Annual

Reporting Period: State Fiscal Year

	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Target	--	593	563	535	200
Actual	624	239	184	--	--

Program Summary

Department of Health

Healthcare Quality and Safety

Mission

The Division Healthcare Quality and Safety assures minimum standards for the provision of healthcare services. The Division licenses, investigates, and disciplines (when warranted) healthcare professionals, healthcare facilities, and health-related facilities. Complaints from all sources are investigated and, if substantiated, compliance action is initiated

Description

The Division of Healthcare Quality and Safety encompasses three Centers:

The Center for Professional Licensing, Boards, and Commissions (CPBL) is responsible for licensing healthcare professionals and administrative oversight of health professionals, Boards, and Commissions. CPBL maintains an integrated license and verification system, processes license applications and renewals, and replies to customer inquiries regarding the licensing process. CPBL also participates in the regulatory and legislative revision processes for health professional licensing issues and the administrative management and oversight of Departmental Boards and Commissions to ensure the highest quality healthcare for Rhode Islanders. RIDOH's Medical Marijuana Program, which accepts, reviews, and approves patient applications and renewals, is housed in the CPBL.

The Center for Health Facilities Regulation (CHFR) is responsible for ensuring that State-licensed and federally certified Medicare and Medicaid healthcare facilities are in compliance with the applicable health, safety, and quality standards and regulations outlined in State and federal law. CHFR maintains an agreement with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services and the State Medicaid Office to conduct Medicare and Medicaid certification surveys and investigations for participating healthcare facilities and providers. Also within the Center for Health Facilities Regulation is the Radiological Health Program (Radiation Control Program), whose mission is to license radiation equipment and entities that possess radioactive materials (RAM) and protect Rhode Islanders from excessive exposure to radiation by helping to ensure the safe use of radiation equipment and radioactive materials. The Radiological Health Program works closely with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission relative to RAM and the Food and Drug Administration relative to mammography equipment inspections.

The Center for Emergency Medical Services licenses, regulates, and provides oversight for Emergency Medical Services (EMS) practitioners, EMS ambulance services, ambulances, and EMS training programs.

Statutory History

Authorization for the Division of Healthcare quality and Safety is contained in the various sections of Titles 4, 5, 16, 21, 23, and 42.

Budget

Department of Health

Healthcare Quality and Safety

Expenditures by Sub Program	2023 Actuals	2024 Actuals	2025 Enacted Budget	2025 Revised Budget	2026 Recommended
Associate Director	0	0	0	0	1,371,493
Emergency Medical Services	0	0	0	0	1,654,284
Health Facilities Regulation	0	0	0	0	8,142,543
Professional Licensing, Boards, & Commissions	0	0	0	0	4,646,126
Total Expenditures	0	0	0	0	15,814,446
Expenditures by Object					
Salary and Benefits	0	0	0	0	12,803,737
Contract Professional Services	0	0	0	0	676,973
Operating Supplies and Expenses	0	0	0	0	2,332,714
Subtotal: Operating	0	0	0	0	15,813,424
Capital Purchases and Equipment	0	0	0	0	1,022
Subtotal: Other	0	0	0	0	1,022
Total Expenditures	0	0	0	0	15,814,446
Expenditures by Source of Funds					
General Revenue	0	0	0	0	7,868,321
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	6,746,561
Restricted Receipts	0	0	0	0	1,199,564
Total Expenditures	0	0	0	0	15,814,446

Personnel

Department of Health

Healthcare Quality and Safety

		FY 2025		FY 2026	
		FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Classified					
DATA ANALYST I	0134 A	0.0	0	1.0	94,665
Subtotal Classified		0.0	0	1.0	94,665
Subtotal		0.0	0	1.0	94,665
Transfer In			0		8,026,311
Seasonal/Special Salaries/Wages			0		3,000
Turnover			0		(276,492)
Total Salaries			0		7,847,484
Benefits					
FICA			0		598,096
Health Benefits			0		1,319,621
Payroll Accrual			0		45,874
Retiree Health			0		255,903
Retirement			0		2,508,408
Subtotal			0		4,727,902
Total Salaries and Benefits		0.0	0	1.0	12,575,386
Cost Per FTE Position			0		12,575,386
Statewide Benefit Assessment			0		228,351
Payroll Costs		0.0	0	1.0	12,803,737
Purchased Services					
Clerical and Temporary Services			0		568,517
Legal Services			0		1,300
Medical Services			0		88,600
Other Contracts			0		13,541
Training and Educational Services			0		5,015
Subtotal			0		676,973
Total Personnel		0.0	0	1.0	13,480,710
Distribution by Source of Funds					
General Revenue		0.0	0	0.0	7,226,938
Federal Funds		0.0	0	0.0	5,117,531
Restricted Receipts		0.0	0	1.0	1,136,241
Total All Funds		0.0	0	1.0	13,480,710

Performance Measures

Department of Health

Healthcare Quality and Safety

Social Work License Issuance

RI has insufficient behavioral health workforce capacity, which includes a shortage of licensed social workers. To help address this issue, RIDOH has selected, as a key performance measure, the licensing of social workers as quickly as possible to ensure their rapid entry into the workforce. Timely license processing helps ensure that Clinical Social Workers (CSW) and Independent Clinical Social Workers

(ICSW) are being licensed in a timely manner. Meeting that timeframe increases patient access to important mental health services. The figures below represent the proportion of CSW and ICSW licenses issued within three business days of receipt of the completed application, including the applicant's supporting educational and post-graduate clinical hours documentation. [Note: This performance measure was established in FY 2024 and historical targets and actuals are not available.]

	<i>Reporting Period: Calendar Year</i>				
	<i>Frequency: Annual</i>	<i>Frequency: Annual</i>	<i>Frequency: Annual</i>	<i>Frequency: Annual</i>	<i>Frequency: Annual</i>
	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Target	--	100%	100%	100%	100%
Actual	--	100%	100%	--	--

Program Summary

Department of Health

Emergency Preparedness and Infectious Disease

Mission

The Division of Emergency Preparedness and Infectious Disease (EPID) is responsible for creating and promoting a state of readiness and prompt response to protect the health of Rhode Islanders during catastrophic events, large-scale disasters, and other types of emergencies and controlling person-to-person spread of infectious diseases.

Description

EPID includes four Centers:

The Center for Acute Infectious Disease Epidemiology is responsible for the detection, control, and prevention of infectious diseases of public health significance. The Center conducts surveillance and investigates a wide array of reportable diseases; collects, analyzes, and distributes information about infectious diseases; and investigates and responds to disease cases and outbreaks to minimize the impact of infectious diseases on the health and economy of the state.

The Center for HIV, Hepatitis, STD, and TB Epidemiology conducts surveillance, disease investigations, and contact tracing for HIV, sexually transmitted diseases, and tuberculosis to ensure all potential contacts are screened and treated. The Center oversees efforts to prevent and control Hepatitis C infection, including the community-based needle exchange program.

The Center for Emergency Preparedness and Response (CEPR) coordinates emergency preparedness and response activities, including planning, education, assessment, and support services among public health providers, private medical providers, public safety agencies, and government officials.

The Center for COVID-19 Epidemiology connects Rhode Islanders with the services and supports needed to prevent, detect, and treat COVID-19; encourages all Rhode Islanders to stay up to date with their COVID-19 vaccinations; monitors and responds to the spread of COVID-19 in Rhode Island communities; advises Rhode Islanders and special populations on the best mitigation practices based on current community levels; and maintains covid.ri.gov with the latest guidance and resources.

Statutory History

Authorization for the activities within EPID is contained within the various sections of Title 23 of the Rhode Island General Laws

Budget

Department of Health

Emergency Preparedness and Infectious Disease

Expenditures by Sub Program	2023 Actuals	2024 Actuals	2025 Enacted Budget	2025 Revised Budget	2026 Recommended
Acute Infectious Diseases	0	0	0	0	6,843,476
Emergency Preparedness and Response	0	0	0	0	7,116,327
HIV, Hep, STDs and TB	0	0	0	0	3,144,577
Total Expenditures	0	0	0	0	17,104,380
Expenditures by Object					
Salary and Benefits	0	0	0	0	9,148,901
Contract Professional Services	0	0	0	0	1,119,721
Operating Supplies and Expenses	0	0	0	0	4,342,229
Assistance and Grants	0	0	0	0	2,313,529
Subtotal: Operating	0	0	0	0	16,924,380
Capital Purchases and Equipment	0	0	0	0	180,000
Subtotal: Other	0	0	0	0	180,000
Total Expenditures	0	0	0	0	17,104,380
Expenditures by Source of Funds					
General Revenue	0	0	0	0	1,907,851
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	15,196,529
Total Expenditures	0	0	0	0	17,104,380

Personnel

Department of Health

Emergency Preparedness and Infectious Disease

	FY 2025		FY 2026	
	FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Transfer In		0		5,474,353
Overtime		0		41,089
Seasonal/Special Salaries/Wages		0		215,670
Total Salaries		0		5,731,112
Benefits				
FICA		0		434,919
Health Benefits		0		865,576
Payroll Accrual		0		31,912
Retiree Health		0		177,919
Retirement		0		1,748,710
Subtotal		0		3,259,036
Total Salaries and Benefits	0.0	0	0.0	8,990,148
Cost Per FTE Position		0		
Statewide Benefit Assessment		0		158,753
Payroll Costs	0.0	0	0.0	9,148,901
Purchased Services				
Clerical and Temporary Services		0		260,826
Information Technology		0		107,000
Medical Services		0		105,000
Other Contracts		0		152,700
Training and Educational Services		0		494,195
Subtotal		0		1,119,721
Total Personnel	0.0	0	0.0	10,268,622
Distribution by Source of Funds				
General Revenue	0.0	0	0.0	1,373,954
Federal Funds	0.0	0	0.0	8,894,668
Total All Funds	0.0	0	0.0	10,268,622

Performance Measures

Department of Health

Emergency Preparedness and Infectious Disease

Newly Diagnosed HIV Cases

Reductions in new diagnoses may point to decreases in disease transmission as a result of increased condom use and PrEP, as well as greater engagement in care, which are pillars of the HIV Prevention Program. New diagnoses also indicate success in finding previously undiagnosed cases and ensuring that individuals are aware of their status. The figures below represent the number of new cases of HIV diagnosed in Rhode Island on an annual basis. [Note: Calendar year 2024 data are preliminary and may change as new case investigations are completed.]

	<i>Reporting Period: Calendar Year</i>				
<i>Frequency: Annual</i>	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Target	40	36	65	65	63
Actual	66	68	93	--	--
