2018 – New Law Highlights

- Ch. 152 – Adding Stillbirths to the Birth Defects Information System
- Ch. 167 – Isolation & Quarantine
- Ch. 179 – Sex Trafficking Prevention Training for Hotel & Motel Employees
- Ch. 180 – APCD Sunset Extension
- Ch. 214 – Characterize Unregulated Contaminants in Source Water and Drinking Water
2018 – What Didn’t Get Done

A lot of good ideas were left on the table at the end of the 2018 Legislative Session.

**MDH 2018 Budget Proposals:**

- Address Elder Abuse in Minnesota Long-Term Care Settings
- Expanded Naloxone Access and Delivery
- Preventing Overdoses in American Indian Communities
- Community Prevention Action Teams
- Safe Drinking Water
- Capital Laboratory Equipment
Many changes before the 2019 Session.

Ch..ch..changes:

• New Governor
• New Commissioner
• New Members of the Legislature

With so much uncertainty, what do we know will be key issues? What core public health priorities can we put forward?
Health Care Access Fund:

**Known:** The Provider Tax sunsets in 2019.

MDH work funded by the HCAF:

- Prevention, Analysis and Health Systems Reform Efforts
- More than **16 grants** and programs that improve the health of the population and enhance the efficiency and stability of the health care system. Among the grants funded by the Health Care Access Fund is the Statewide Health Improvement Partnership – or SHIP.

Statewide Health Improvement Partnership:

**SHIP’s focus: Prevent disease and build healthy communities**

- Works upstream to prevent chronic diseases before they start.
  - Empower schools, workplaces, health care institutions & communities in ALL 87 counties and 10 tribal nations to address the major contributors to chronic disease by increasing access to healthy food, designing spaces and places to make being active easy, and preventing youth tobacco use.

- Serves as a funding catalyst by providing the required activities and infrastructure necessary to secure other federal grants that advance statewide priorities.

Minnesota was recently named one of eight national Public Health Innovators and highlighted in the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s feature of community-wide approaches that can improve health in the places where we live, learn, work and play.
Opioid Death Prevention:

Opioid-involved drug overdose deaths by non-exclusive drug category, MN residents, 2000-2017

NOTES: DATA ARE PRELIMINARY AND MAY CHANGE WHEN FINALIZED

Deaths of Despair:

Deaths Certificate Data
• Mounting concerns about resources and wide variability of CHBs related to performance

• Strengthening Public Health in Minnesota Workgroup recommended priority areas for action:
  • Clarify the basic public health responsibilities for Minnesota and identify new ways to carry them out.
  • Take steps to align public health funding and resources with local needs.
  • Take a comprehensive and multisectoral approach to public health workforce development.

Next Steps
Creating Healthy Communities Brings Us Together
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Thank you!