

CORE FUNCTIONS FRAMEWORK

Public Health Strategies

Health Promotion

Develop healthy public policy; advocate/create supportive environments; strengthen communities; develop personal skills; build partnerships

Health Protection

Legislate, Regulate, Tax, Inspect, Enforce, Punish

Preventive Interventions

Immunize, Screen, Counsel, Support behaviour change, Treat

Health Assessment & Disease Surveillance

Public health epidemiology, clinical epidemiology, health lab networks, analysis and dissemination

Core Programs

Health Improvement

Programs that work to reduce a wide range of health problems. Include a focus on reproductive health, healthy development, creation of healthy communities, enabling adoption of healthy patterns of living, food security, and promotion of mental health.

Disease, Injury, & Disability Prevention

Programs that focus on specific disease, disabilities, and injuries that contribute significantly to the burden of disease (e.g. chronic diseases, injuries, mental health problems, addictions, communicable diseases)

Environmental Health

Programs that work to protect people from environmental hazards, both from natural causes and human activity (e.g. clean water and air, safe food, community sanitation, and environmental health)

Health Emergency Management

Programs that ensure the public health sector is fully prepared and able to respond effectively to severe outbreaks of communicable disease, natural or human-induced disasters, major accidents, terrorism, etc.)

Population & Inequalities Lenses

System Capacity

Health information systems and quality management capacity