



# Improving Pierce County's Health

**Guiding Principle:**  
**To reduce health disparities and to achieve health equity.**

## Priorities:

**Mental Health**

**Access to Quality Health Care and Preventive Services**

**Chronic Disease Prevention**

## Vision:

All Pierce County residents have behavioral and emotional well being.

Pierce County residents will have fair and equitable access to health care and preventive health services.

All Pierce County residents will live, learn, work and play in healthy environments.

## Goals:

Opportunities for healthy development across the lifespan.

Equal access to quality health services.

Reduce tobacco use.

Reduce obesity.

Equal access to mental health, substance abuse and other treatment services.

Accessible community resources to support emotional, physical, spiritual well being.

Protect and improve the natural environment, particularly in low income neighborhoods.

Pierce County providers work together to provide effective mental health care.

Health care systems share individual data between organizations.

Community residents can improve the conditions where they live, learn, work and play.

Prevent use of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs among youth.

Health and human service providers are culturally competent.

Health is considered in all local policies.

*This plan is based on the input of community residents and partners, as well as Pierce County health data.*

**For more information, see: [www.tpchd.org/chip](http://www.tpchd.org/chip)**