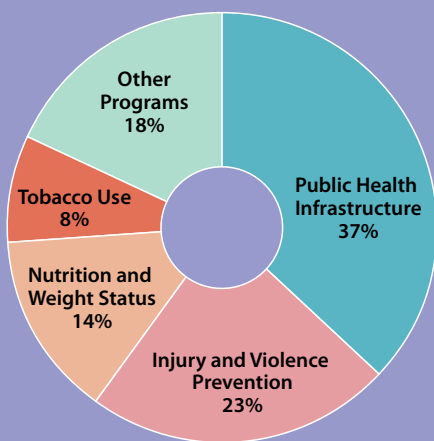


# Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant

## Oklahoma

### How Oklahoma Invested PHHS Block Grant Funding

**Total FY 2015 Funding: \$1,420,453**



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**Oklahoma used their PHHS Block Grant funding to develop a strategic five-year state health improvement plan.**

### Planning for Health Equity

In Oklahoma, approximately 1 in 6 people are poor and 1 in 6 do not have health insurance, increasing their risk for health problems. The Oklahoma State Department of Health (OSDH) is working to make sure everyone in Oklahoma has the same chance to be healthy. OSDH used a portion of the Preventive Health and Health Services (PHHS) Block Grant funds to hold 11 community chat sessions to learn what health issues they found most important.

The community chat sessions, held from April through August 2014, gave OSDH detailed information about health problems in Oklahoma communities and what Oklahomans—including underserved populations—need to be healthier. Four of the chat sessions focused on ethnic and racial minorities, and two were held with tribal nations.

OSDH also used PHHS Block Grant funds to conduct two surveys in the state. One survey asked Oklahomans about their health needs. So that many different people could take it, the survey was available in English or Spanish and online or on paper. The other survey asked Oklahoma businesses about health insurance coverage for their staff to learn more about how many people get insurance from where they work, what types of insurance plans people have, and whether small businesses are likely to offer health insurance to their employees in the future.

OSDH used the information from the community chats and the surveys to write the 2015 Oklahoma Health Improvement Plan (OHIP). The OHIP prioritized health issues and will help OSDH set goals for improving health in the state.

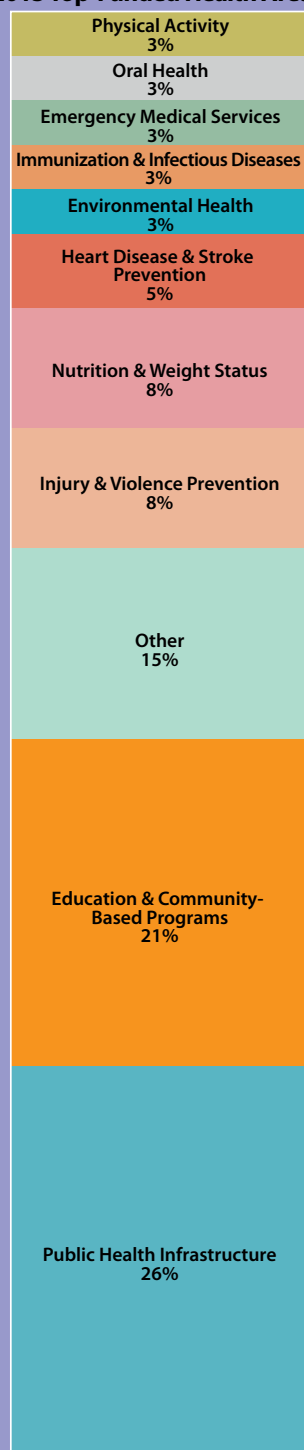
One of the values identified in the OHIP is to make sure everyone has a voice in making public health better. Making sure all voices are heard is the first step to making sure everyone has an equal chance to be healthy. Oklahoma is committed to creating a healthier state, and PHHS Block Grant funds have helped OSDH figure out how to get there.



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## 2015 Top-Funded Health Areas



*Excludes all non-discretionary funding: administrative costs (up to 10%), direct assistance, and funds set aside for sexual violence (rape prevention).*

## What is the PHHS Block Grant?

The Preventive Health and Health Services (PHHS) Block Grant provides flexible federal funding to 61 states, tribes, and US territories. These grantees use the funding to meet vital public health needs within their jurisdictions that align with national priorities—the Healthy People (HP) 2020 objectives.

## Block Grant Investment Across the Nation

In fiscal year 2015, the 61 grantees received about \$126 million from the PHHS Block Grant to support critical programs and services. Most funds (85%) supported HP 2020 objectives in 10 key areas: 1) Public Health Infrastructure, 2) Education and Community-Based Programs, 3) Injury and Violence Prevention, 4) Nutrition and Weight Status, 5) Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention, 6) Environmental Health, 7) Immunization and Infectious Diseases, 8) Emergency Medical Services, 9) Oral Health, and 10) Physical Activity.

Public Health Infrastructure was the most funded area (26% of total funding); 43 grantees directed funds toward public health systems assessment, health improvement planning, accreditation, quality improvement, laboratory services, and other infrastructure activities. Education and Community-Based Programs was the second-most funded area (21% of total funding); 29 grantees directed funds toward community-based primary prevention services, worksite health promotion programs, and culturally appropriate community health programs.

Grantees also directed funds toward supporting local organizations working to improve community health (27% of total funding) and reduce health disparities (23% of total funding).