



Healthy People, Healthy Communities



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Health Services



Health Care System



Health Services

★ Primary Care

- Clinics
- Doctors Offices
- Nurse Managed Clinics (in 39 states)





Health Services

★ Tertiary Care

- Medical Specialists
- Medical Centers





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Health Services

★ Home health care





Health Services

★ In community-based institutions

(Senior Centers,
HeadStart Programs)

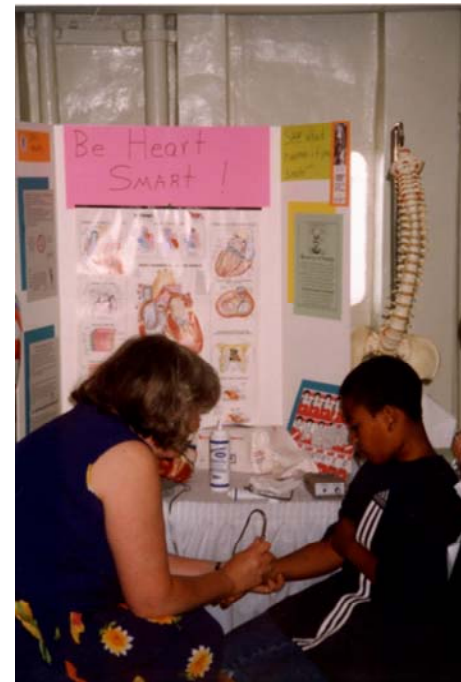




Health Services

★ Community-based
Events

Health Fairs





Health Services

★ School Health





Public Health



The mission of public health is to fulfill society's desire to create conditions so that people can be healthy

(Institute of Medicine, 1988).



Public Health



"...the science and the art of **preventing disease, prolonging life, and promoting physical health and mental health** and efficiency through organized community efforts toward a sanitary **environment**; the control of **community infections**; the education of the individual in principles of personal hygiene; the **organization of medical and nursing service** for the **early diagnosis and treatment of disease**; and the development of the social machinery to ensure to every individual in the community a standard of living adequate for the maintenance of health." (C.E.A. Winslow)



Governmental Public Health Infrastructures



★ Local Health Departments

★ State Health Departments



★ Departments of the Environment, Housing,
Parks





Public Health Nursing



- ★ District Nursing
- ★ Centralized / Categorical Services
- ★ Vermont example
- ★ Baltimore experience





Public Health Gaps



- ★ Continuous monitoring within the community





Public Health Gaps



Continuity of care





Public Health Gaps

★ Attention to vulnerable populations

- HIV/AIDS
- Mentally Ill
- Pregnant
- Substance abusers
- Chronically ill – asthma, diabetes



Public Health Gaps

★ Health promotion

- Smoking cessation
- Nutrition
- Exercise
- Violence prevention



Public Health Gaps

★ Disease Prevention

- Immunizations (primary prevention)
- Prenatal Care
- Surveillance and early detection - I.E., testing for lead poisoning (secondary prevention)



Public Health Nursing Center

- ★ Community-wide assessment
- ★ Identification of vulnerable population and their needs
- ★ Enhanced use of existing health services
- ★ Collaboration with community-based services/organizations
- ★ Leadership development
- ★ Advocacy



Thank you



Discussion

