

# **City of Bloomington**

## **Top 10 Community Health Issues, 2014**

As the Community Health Board, every five years the City is required to submit a list of the top 10 community health issues to the Minnesota Department of Health. In 2012-13 the Advisory Board of Health reviewed health assessment information and identified the issues listed below as the priority health issues. Included below are examples of the services Public Health and Environmental Health provides to address these issues.

### **\*Maternal and Child Health**

Home visiting for high-risk parents, teen pregnancy, assessments and resources for families with children 0-3 with developmental concerns, asthma home assessments, WIC Program (serving women, infants and children to age 5)

### **\*Nutrition, Obesity and Physical Activity**

Statewide Health Improvement Program (SHIP) and Community Transformation Grant (CTG) funded activities which work on policy, systems and environmental changes (farmers markets, school food, child care centers), WIC, family home visiting to low income families

### **\*Social and Emotional Wellbeing**

Community Health Improvement (CHIP) Action Team, intensive home visiting

### **Alcohol, Tobacco and Drug Use and Abuse**

CTG (tobacco), MN Student Survey data analysis, screens/assessments with home visiting clients, alcohol and tobacco compliance check data collection and monitoring

### **Immunization and Infectious Disease Prevention**

Low cost immunizations, follow-up on reportable diseases, consultation with school nurses, quality improvement visits to clinics to assess their vaccine storage and administration practices

### **Intentional Injury Prevention**

Intensive home visiting, referrals from police (secondary prevention), working with Cornerstone, support and resources for suicides

### **Mental Illness**

Referrals for our clients, home visits to disabled and older adults, assess for maternal depression

### **Aging of the Population**

Community clinics for seniors (blood pressure, hearing, medication review, safety issues), high-risk home assessments (referrals from families, community members, Police and Environmental Health)

### **Individual and Family Emergency Preparedness**

Public Health volunteers (MRC/CERT), Health Alert Network, community engagement in preparedness, developing response plans for disasters and emergencies

### **Food-borne Illness Prevention**

Food safety programs, restaurant inspections, Food Safety Awards, safe food handling training, food-borne illness reporting and investigation

**\*Priority Health Issues identified in the Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP)**