

Goal 2: Promote prevention to improve health and wellness

Objective 1: Increase the availability, accessibility, and utilization of preventive health services

- Endorse an integrated strategy for improving oral health in Washington. (Ongoing)
- Prevent and control the spread of infectious disease during emergent outbreaks and epidemics. (Underway)
- Assure child health rules are current (Newborn Screening, vision screening, etc.) (Ongoing)

Objective 2: Promote a preventive approach to improve behavioral health and wellness

(OR: Support statewide efforts to improve behavioral health and wellness)

- Participate in the State Prevention Enhancement Advisory Group
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Objective 3: Encourage Healthy Behaviors

- Improve nutrition and increase physical activity/ access to nutritious foods.
- Reduce tobacco use secondhand smoke exposure (vaping)
- Support efforts to reduce drug abuse through public health measures

Previous Plan Activities Not Carried Out under Goal 2:

- Review criteria for school and child care entry requirements
- Encourage and monitor utilization of immunization registries (Washington State Immunization Information System)
- Hold briefing on immunization rates and barriers and effective approaches to improve rates and address barriers