

# Iowa



## The Role of Block Grant Funding in Iowa

In 1981, Congress authorized the Preventive Health and Health Services (PHHS) Block Grant. The PHHS Block Grant gives 61 grantees—all 50 states, the District of Columbia, 2 American Indian tribes, and 8 U.S. territories—the flexibility to develop programs to meet local needs.

States are expected to align their programs with the latest *Healthy People* national goals and objectives and to address basic health concerns related to chronic disease, unintentional injuries, and other areas. The PHHS Block Grant can help states

- Respond rapidly to emerging health threats in states.
- Address important health concerns that lack state funding, such as heart disease and stroke, skin cancer, oral health, child safety, and emergency medical services in rural areas.
- Leverage other funds to increase the benefits of preventive health measures.

## PHHS Block Grant Supports Iowa Healthy People 2010 Priorities

Now in its 30th year, the PHHS Block Grant program currently uses *Healthy People 2010* goals and objectives, but will transition soon to *Healthy People 2020*. In FY 2011, Iowa used its funds to address three health objective priorities.

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[www.cdc.gov/phhsblockgrant](http://www.cdc.gov/phhsblockgrant)

**For more information on Healthy People, go to**  
[www.healthypeople.gov](http://www.healthypeople.gov)

Health Priority	Funding	Percent
Emergency medical services	\$362,765	42.9%
Health improvement plans	\$341,850	40.4%
Rape or attempted rape	\$68,220	8.1%
Annual basic administration	\$69,687	8.2%
Sex offense administration	\$3,440	0.4%
<b>Total for Iowa</b>	<b>\$845,962</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

