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Johnson County Public Health Maintains National Accreditation Status
Maintaining Accreditation through the Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB) Ensures Johnson County Public Health's Capacity to Continue to Evolve, Improve, and Advance

Iowa City, Iowa- November 25, 2025 — Johnson County Public Health today announced it has successfully completed a review process to maintain national accreditation status through the Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB). In maintaining its accreditation status for another five years, the Johnson County Public Health has demonstrated that it meets PHAB's quality standards and measures and has the capacity to continue to evolve, improve and advance to continue improving the health of the residents of Johnson County, Iowa.

The non-profit PHAB works to advance and transform public health practice by championing performance improvement, strong infrastructure, and innovation. PHAB's accreditation program, which receives support from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, sets standards against which the nation's governmental public health departments can continuously improve the quality of their services and performance.

"We are so pleased to again be recognized by PHAB for achieving national standards that foster effectiveness and promote continuous quality improvement," said Director Danielle Pettit-Majewski. "We hope this announcement will reassure our community, partner organizations, funders, and elected officials that the services we provide are as responsive as possible to the needs of our community."

Johnson County Public Health achieved national initial accreditation status through PHAB on March 21, 2019, after undergoing a rigorous, multi-faceted, peer-reviewed assessment process to ensure it met a set of quality standards and measures. Today's announcement goes a step further by demonstrating that Johnson County Public Health has the capacity to become increasingly effective at improving the health of the community.

"We are pleased to see Johnson County Public Health, along with many others, successfully maintaining their five-year PHAB accreditation," said PHAB President and CEO Dr. Joneigh Khaldun, MD, MPH, FACEP. "This demonstrates that accreditation is not just a one-time



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achievement but an ongoing commitment to excellence. By maintaining accreditation, these health departments reaffirm their dedication to continuous improvement and community health."

Often called the "backbone" of the public health system, public health departments are on the front lines of communities' efforts to protect and promote health and prevent disease and injury. PHAB-accredited health departments demonstrate great leadership by placing their work for peer review, with the goal of using the feedback obtained during the process to improve the services they provide to their communities.

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About the Johnson County Public Health

Johnson County Public Health, works to protect, promote, and improve the health of all people in Johnson County, Iowa. Learn more about the Johnson County Public Health at <https://johnsoncountyiowa.gov/departments-of-public-health>. For more information, please contact Danielle Pettit-Majewski at dpettit@johnsoncountyiowa.gov or via phone at 319-356-6040.

About the Public Health Accreditation Board

The Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB) was created to serve as the national public health accrediting body and is jointly funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Vital Records/Health Statistics accreditation is funded, in part, by the National Center for Health Statistics. The development of national public health department accreditation has involved, and is supported by, public health leaders and practitioners from the national, state, local, Tribal, and territorial levels. For more information, contact PHAB Communications at communications@phaboard.org. Learn more about PHAB and accreditation at www.phaboard.org.###

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