

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-4495

***A RESOLUTION OF THE TACOMA-PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH ADOPTING A
HEALTH IN ALL POLICIES APPROACH TO PROMOTE HEALTHY COMMUNITIES***

WHEREAS, health is a state of complete physical, mental and social well-being and not merely the absence of disease or illness; and

WHEREAS, research shows that health is influenced by the interaction of many factors and not simply by genetics, individual health behavior, or access to medical care; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) asserts that the social, environmental and economic conditions in which people live, learn, work and play influence 50-60% of health outcomes across populations; and

WHEREAS, all residents in Pierce County should have the opportunity to attain their full potential and make the choices that allow them to live a long, healthy life as a result of social, economic and environmental conditions; and

WHEREAS, good health enhances quality of life, increases the capacity for learning, strengthens families and communities, supports environmental sustainability, improves workforce productivity and economic prosperity, and improves well-being in society; and

WHEREAS, interagency collaboration has the power to improve health outcomes in Pierce County through changes to policies, systems and environments at an institutional level; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Health has previously passed resolutions that are consistent with a Health in All Policies approach, such as Resolution number 2016-4483; Use of Health Impact Assessments, and Resolution 2014-4416; Neighborhoods as a Determinant of Health; and

WHEREAS, "Health in All Policies" is a systematic, collaborative, and flexible approach to improving community health by working with people and agencies to support the integration of health into existing policies and systems; and

WHEREAS, by adopting a "Health in All Policies" approach, the Board of Health supports actions to protect the health of all Pierce County residents; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY TACOMA-PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH, that Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department shall:

- Apply a Health in All Policies approach to its own work, including policy development and implementation, budgeting, and delivery of services;
- Engage with communities and stakeholders who may be most affected by potential policies and practices to ensure that decisions incorporate their knowledge and perspectives;
- Work in partnership with residents, communities, stakeholders, and local governments to develop and update policies and systems to consider health;

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- Advocate for policies that improve the health of the population by improving the social, economic, and environmental causes of health in Pierce County, especially for populations that experience the worst health outcomes; and
- Recommend partners engage with communities and stakeholders who may be most affected by potential policies and practice to ensure that decisions incorporate their knowledge and perspectives.

AND FURTHER THAT:

- The Board of Health recommends their member agencies and other decision-makers at all levels of local and state government consider health in all policies, including potential impacts on specific communities burdened by health inequities; and
- The Board of Health recommends member agencies and other decision-makers at all levels of local and state government consider health when they review and rewrite existing policies, including potential impacts on specific communities burdened by health inequities.

PASSED by the Tacoma-Pierce County Board of Health, signed by the Chair of the Board, and attested by the Board's Clerk in authentication of such passage this XX day of (month) 2016.

TACOMA-PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

ATTEST:

Patricia Darden
Clerk, Board of Health

Victoria Woodards
Chair, Board of Health

October 5, 2016
Date of Adoption

Board of Health Action Request



REGULAR AGENDA

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Requesting Division	Presenter	Phone Number
Administrative Services	Jessica Gehle	798-4444

Preparation of an Agenda Request/Resolution for the Board of Health meeting.	Date:	October 5, 2016
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Request Summary
A resolution of the Tacoma-Pierce County Board of Health adopting a health in all policies approach to promote healthy communities.

Background Information / Comments

Recommended Board of Health Action	Approve Resolution No. 2016-4495
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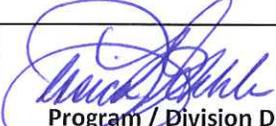
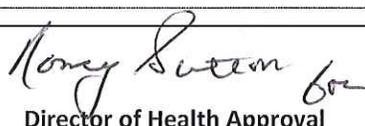
List all materials attached as backup information for the request.

Note: All documents listed above must be uploaded to the BOH Resolution documents library.

Finance Information/Additional Revenue	Grantor / Contractor:
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Source of Revenue	
Federal:	
State:	
Pierce County:	
City of Tacoma:	
Other:	
Total:	\$0.00

Additional Expenditure		
Account Number(s)		
	Total:	\$0.00
Program Name		

 Program / Division Director Approval	 Business Support Services Approval	 Director of Health Approval
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