

## **OPH/CCN Memorandum of Understanding**

### **Office of Public Health Memorandum of Understanding Guidelines**

The CCN will coordinate its public health-related activities with the Louisiana Office of Public Health (OPH). Coordination mechanisms and operational protocols for addressing public health issues will be negotiated with OPH and BHSF (Medicaid) and reflect Louisiana public health priorities. The coordination of activities related to public health will take the form of agreements among the parties which may include policy memos or separate memorandums of understanding signed by OPH, BHSF (Medicaid), and the CCNs. Public health-related activities include, but are not limited to:

- Sexually transmitted diseases
- Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV/AIDS) prevention and treatment
- Tuberculosis
- Immunization
- WIC (Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children)
- Family planning
- Maternal and child health (MCH)
- Children's Special Health Services (Louisiana's program for children with special health care needs)
- Population-based services

MOU's will cover the following topics with regard to the public health activities:

- Statement of common goals, priority populations and conditions and measurable objectives
- Inter-organizational communication protocols
- Data sharing and reporting
- Coordination of outreach and education
- Population health assessments
- Case management for high-risk populations (TB, HIV/AIDS, STD, NFP)
- Technical assistance
- Special projects (e.g., mutual pursuit of grants)
- Attachment: List of public health resources in region and identification of those that are "in network"