

County Health Rankings & Roadmaps

Building a Culture of Health, County by County

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County Health Rankings & Roadmaps Wins National Award for Public Service

Madison, Wis. — [County Health Rankings & Roadmaps](#) (CHR&R) will receive the American Public Health Association's (APHA) Epidemiology Section award for public health practice for the program's impact on population health across the country. The Public Health Practice Award will be announced this month at the APHA annual meeting in Boston.

"We are honored to be recognized for our work bringing data to action," said Sheri Johnson, principal investigator for County Health Rankings & Roadmaps and director of the University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute. "We can create a world where we all have what we need to thrive. Through data, strategies and examples, we provide tools that communities can use to improve the spectrum of factors that contribute to health and equity."

APHA's Awards Committee of the Epidemiology Section chose CHR&R to recognize its "excellence in public health practice and the impact of the initiative on population health across the country," according to an Aug. 29 letter from Dr. Victor Ilegbodu, chairman of the awards committee.

The award will be presented in a ceremony Nov. 7 at APHA's annual meeting.

CHR&R is a program of the University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute with support from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. The program's annual rankings compare counties within each state on factors that impact health such as housing, education, jobs, and access to quality health care. Its What Works for Health database offers more than 400 evidence-informed strategies to help communities on their health improvement journey. Each strategy is rated for its effectiveness and likely impact on health disparities. Visit countyhealthrankings.org/takeaction to learn more.

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About the County Health Rankings & Roadmaps

The County Health Rankings & Roadmaps, a program of the University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute (UWPHI) with support from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, provides local communities with data on more than 90 health-influencing factors such as housing, education, jobs, and access to quality health care. The Rankings are available at www.countyhealthrankings.org.

About the University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute

The University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute advances health and well-being for all by developing and evaluating interventions and promoting evidence-based approaches to policy and practice at the local, state, and national levels. The Institute works across the full spectrum of factors that contribute to health and equity. The Institute leads the County Health Rankings & Roadmaps. For more information, visit <http://uwphi.pophealth.wisc.edu>.