

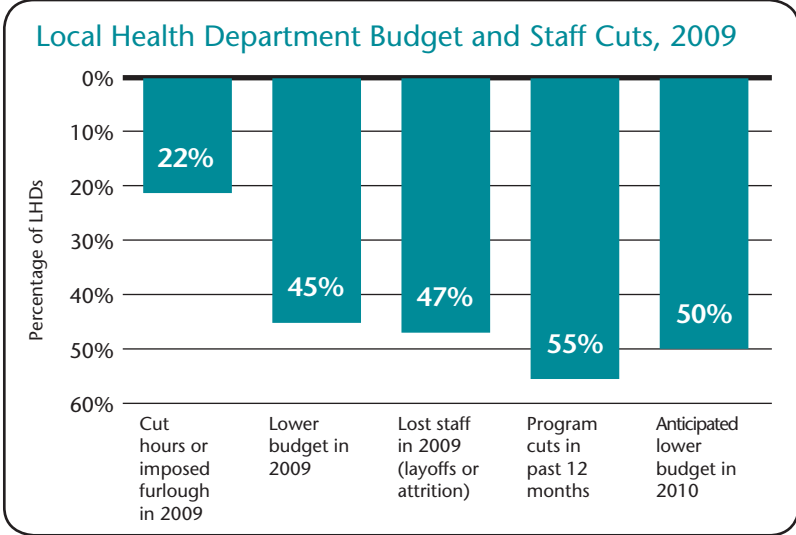


Congress Can Secure the Foundation of the U.S. Public Health System

The public health system is in steep decline. Chronic underinvestment, coupled with the impact of the current economic crisis—layoffs, budget cuts, and furloughs—has undermined local health departments’ (LHDs’) abilities to protect the health of individuals and families nationwide according to a recent survey by the National Association of County and City Health Officials.

Unless Congress fully funds the Prevention and Public Health Fund as part of healthcare reform, the nation’s public health system will be in danger of continuing to crumble at a time when health threats continue to rise. Without sufficient investment now, LHDs will experience further erosion and be unable to meet the increasing demands for services that national health reform alone does not otherwise address.

SUPPORT THE PREVENTION AND PUBLIC HEALTH FUND
Prevention works. Everyone prefers to be healthy. It’s time to put prevention and health back into healthcare. Support full funding for the Prevention and Public Health Fund and oppose any attempts to reduce it.



The mission of the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) is to be a leader, partner, catalyst, and voice for local health departments in order to ensure the conditions that promote health and equity, combat disease, and improve the quality and length of all lives.

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