

# AGENCY SUMMARY

## HEALTH DEPARTMENT

### Agency Links:

Health Department: [Website](#)

Health Department: [FY 2025 Approved Operating Budget](#)

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Health Department: [FY 2026 Budget Review Report](#)

Health Department: [FY 2026 Budget Review PowerPoint](#)

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### BACKGROUND

In 1880, the General Assembly authorized the State Board of Health to organize local boards of health (Chapter 438, Acts of 1880). In 1886, the Board of County Commissioners was designated as the Prince George's County Board of Health (Chapter 22, Acts of 1886). In 1914, it was placed under control of the State Department of Health, which had organized in 1910 (Chapter 560, Acts of 1910; Chapter 742, Acts of 1914). Later, under provisions of the "County Health Law" of 1922, County health duties increased, opening the way for a full-time health officer in each county (Chapter 116, Acts of 1922).

Today, the Health Department, under direction of the Health Officer, provides public health services and administers and enforces State and local health laws and regulations within Prince George's County. Programs meet the public health needs of the community and provide services not offered by the private sector ([Code Health-General Article, secs. 3-101 through 3-202](#)).

Appointed by the Secretary of Health, the Health Officer is the executive officer and secretary of the County Board of Health ([Code Health-General Article, secs. 3-301 through 3-310](#)).

### Leadership

**Current: Dr. Jacqueline Somerville, Interim Health Officer**

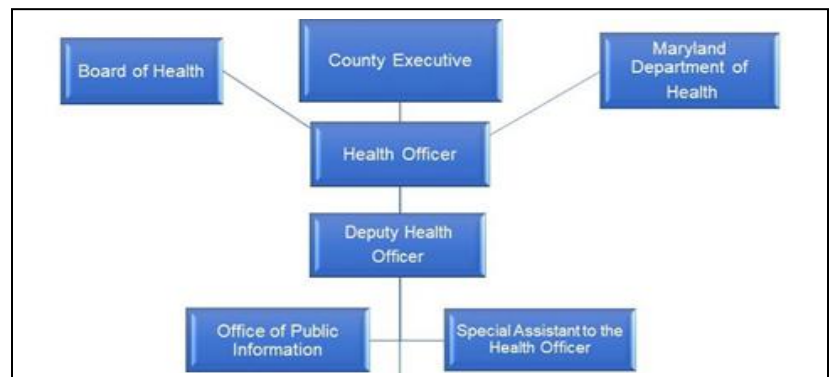
**FY 2025: Dr. Matthew D. Levy, Health Officer**

### Core Services

- Maternal and child health services, family planning and sexually transmitted infection treatment and testing
- Assuring access to behavioral health services, resources and education and preventing Opioid Use Disorder
- Chronic disease and health promotion interventions
- Assuring access to resources addressing health and social needs including care coordination services
- Communicable disease investigation, outbreak prevention and emergency preparedness activities
- Environmental health promotion and protection

### Organizational Structure

- Administration
- Behavioral Health
- Health & Wellness
- Environmental Health/Disease Control
- Family Health Service
- Office of the Health Officer



### FY 2026 Top Priorities

- Improve performance and work culture by fostering collaboration, improving execution and empowering leaders at all levels of the Department.
- Implement the Department's strategic plan that is currently being developed.

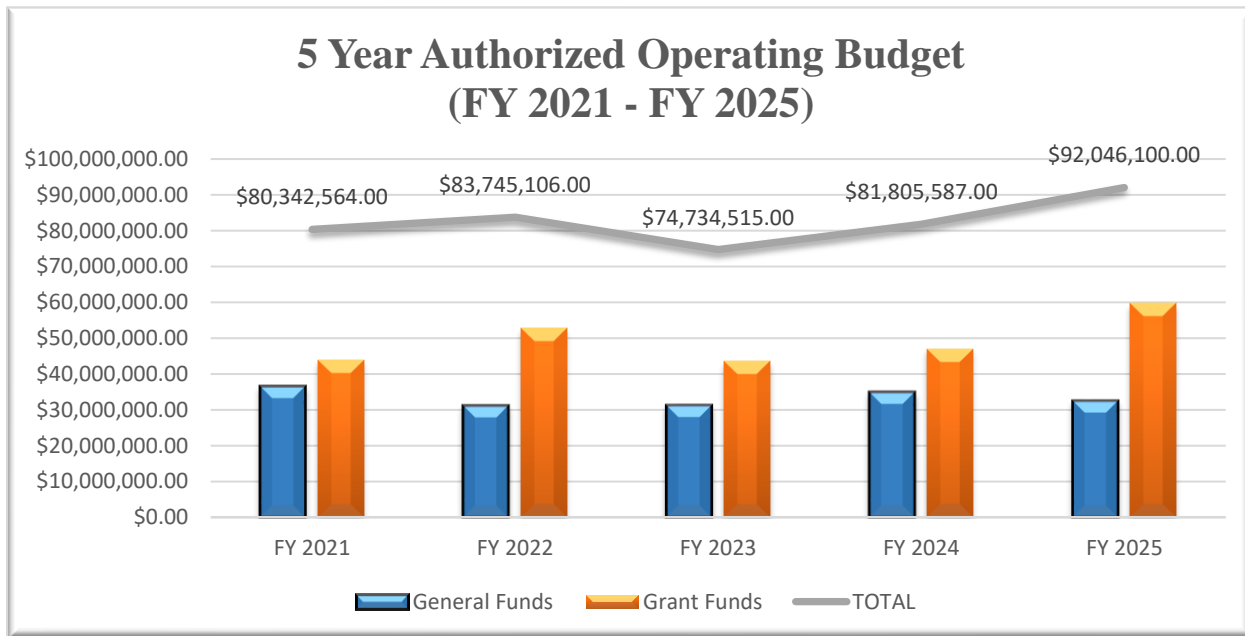
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- Support the workforce, information technology and administrative needs through revised departmental policies and procedures and working closely with County administrative agencies to refine business practices that impact grant funded operations.
- Support and expand behavioral health services including increasing awareness of the 988 suicide-prevention hotline and supporting youth behavioral health.
- Integrate electronic applications to streamline permitting, licensing and the inspections of facilities through the Momentum system and integrating other cloud-based systems for communicable disease reporting

### FY 2025 Key Accomplishments

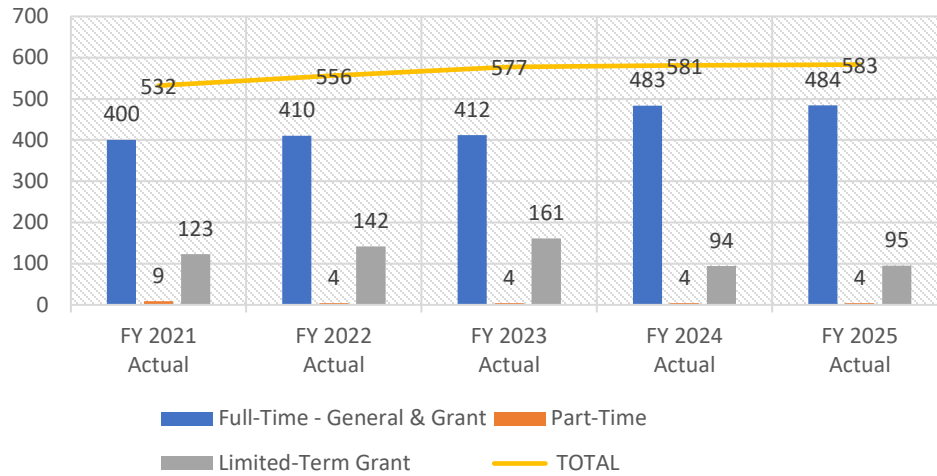
- Began development of a new strategic plan that will chart the Department's strategic direction for the next six years.
- Completed construction and launched the Dyer Care Center at 9314 Piscataway Rd in Clinton, MD, the first behavioral health Crisis Stabilization Center in the County.
- Established new collaborations, partnerships and service venues, creating additional access points and entryways into the HIV care system for underserved populations.
- Convened 14 community-based outreach collaboration meetings, providing a vital platform for sharing insights, evaluating progress and strategizing solutions to ongoing challenges in FY 2025

**Operating Budgetary Resources** - Below is the 5-year overview of resources allocated to the Health Department from FY 2021-2025.



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### 5-Year Authorized Staffing (2021-2025)



### Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) Budgetary Resources

#### 5 Year Authorized CIP Budget (FY 2021 - FY 2025)

