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DD Planning Council, Office of Emergency Health Systems, Health Disparities and Health Equity, Community Health and Performance Management, and Rural Health.

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Asbestos, Drinking Water, Environmental Laboratory, Environmental Sanitation, Emergency Response, Indoor Air, Lead, Radon, X-rays, Radioactive Materials, Well Drillers.

Health Promotion Unit

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Chronic Disease, Infectious Disease, Tobacco, Injury Prevention, Comprehensive Cancer, Diabetes, Heart Disease and Stroke, HIV, Hepatitis, Oral Health, Physical Activity and Nutrition.

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Maternal, Child and Adolescent, Reproductive, Women’s and Men’s Health; Immunizations, Newborn Screening, CSFP, WIC, MCH Epidemiology and other related programs.

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Professions and Occupations

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Hospital and Public Health Preparedness and Response, ESF-8 (coordination of emergency response with NE Emergency Management Agency), Strategic National Stockpile (SNS), Lab, Healthcare Coalitions, City Readiness Initiative (CRI), Emergency Response Training, Medical Response Systems.

Vital Records Unit

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Birth, Death, Marriage, and Dissolution Certificates, Adoption Records, Record Amendments, Paternity Filings.