

Environmental Health



- Finding ways to make the food we eat, water we drink, and conditions under which we live and work safer for everyone.

Environmental Public Health Tracking

- Will serve to integrate and enhance existing Environmental Health activities

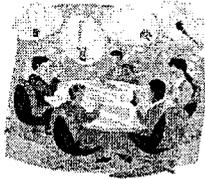
CDC's Vision For EPHT

- Better protect communities from adverse health effects through the integration of data collected by public health and environmental agencies



Partnerships

- Advisory Group convened
- There has been a positive response from State and Federal environmental agencies in Montana



Information Technology Assessment

- Consultants were hired to review current data systems at DEQ, NRIS and DPHHS
- The report, due this month will provide an overview and options for integrating data systems
- Any plan will conform with national electronic data surveillance standards

Inventory of Data Sets

- A questionnaire was developed with input from several agencies.
- This electronic questionnaire will be used to gather pertinent information on databases.
- Epidemiologists will utilize this catalog of databases to assess how available data can be utilized to inform health concerns.



Connecting Data

- Two Epidemiologists are working on the Public Health Tracking project. They will provide:
 - ◆ Examples of how tracking can be used to inform health issues and how we can organize information.
