



Department of Public Health & Environment - FY 23 Annual Performance Report (November 2023)

Wildly Important Goals

The Department of Public Health and Environment has identified several wildly important goals (WIGs) for FY 2022-23 and beyond. For this annual performance report, the Department has updated progress on those goals identified in its FY 2022-23 Performance Plan that capture the Department's WIGs and reflect the overall direction as identified by Department leadership.

Additional detail for these, and other, WIGs is available in the Department's Performance Plan, which may be accessed [here](#).

SFY23 WIG 1: Air Quality - Greenhouse Gas – WIG 1 focused on Air Quality, specifically reducing Greenhouse Gases (GHGs). This WIG was achieved largely due to the AQCC rulemakings that support GHG emissions reductions and goals. These regulatory initiatives included new requirements for the oil and gas sector, and clean truck rules, which are projected to reduce GHG emissions by approximately 6.5 million metric tons per year. To support this WIG the Climate and GHG Program met the lead metric to increase program staff to 12 FTE. The Division also established the Clean Fleet Enterprise grant and incentive program, with its first round of applications closing on June 30, 2023.

SFY23 WIG 2: Air Quality - Ozone – WIG 2 focused on Air Quality as well, specifically reducing Ozone emissions. This WIG was also achieved due to AQCC rulemaking to address ozone precursor emissions. These regulatory initiatives included new requirements for the oil and gas sector, and clean truck rules, which are projected to reduce ozone precursor emissions by approximately 17,500 tons per year. The Division developed the electric school bus, Clean Fleet Enterprise grant programs to accelerate the transition from fossil fuel-powered vehicles and trucks to electric clean burning fuels to support this WIG. The Division also completed phase I of the electric small equipment grant program for state and local governments.

SFY23 WIG 3: Suicide Prevention – WIG 3 addressed suicide prevention, and aimed to increase the number of people living in Colorado receiving responsive care contact after discharge from an emergency department; efforts like responsive care have been shown to reduce return emergency department visits, reduce future suicide attempts as well as suicide deaths. This WIG was also achieved, largely from the efforts and initiatives of the Office of Suicide Prevention and the braided funding approach which included additional funds from the new Garrett Lee Smith (GLS) suicide prevention grant. Strategies also included a greater focus and outreach to rural hospitals by the OSP Follow-Up Coordinator. We anticipate continuing to sustain, or grow, the program in FY24 if we receive grant funding to support staff, grantees, and outreach efforts. Progress on these indicators is included below in Figures 9-15 respectively. This WIG was achieved. This was largely due to the Office of Suicide Prevention's braided funding approach which included additional funds from the new Garrett Lee Smith (GLS) suicide prevention grant, as well as greater focus and outreach to rural hospitals by the OSP Follow-Up Coordinator.

SFY23 WIG 4: COVID-19 Vaccination – WIG 4 addressed vaccination as it relates to COVID-19 for people living in Colorado aged 5-11 years old. This WIG aimed to provide protection against the rapid spread and increased severity of COVID-19 through a primary series of vaccinations. Vaccination rates were calculated using the methodology based on "age at first vaccination" which most accurately reflects progress and public health surveillance. This WIG's % improved by 8.6% (40.2%), missing the target goal of 10% improvement by 1.4%. While the target end percentage of 41.5% was not achieved, Disease Control and Public Health Response efforts to increase COVID-19 vaccination coverage among Coloradans 5-11-years-old outpaces much of the nation, with Colorado ranking 15th nationally for this age group.



Performance Measures

WIG 1: Air Quality (Greenhouse Gas)

Measure	FY20 Actual	FY21 Actual	FY22 Actual	Q1 FY23	Q2 FY 23	Q3 FY 23	Q4 FY 23	FY23 Goal	3-Year Goal
WIG 1: Adopt new regulatory requirements by June 30, 2023 that will result in estimated reductions of GHG emissions totaling 5.5 MMT per year once fully implemented.	0	-5.72	-6	-0.41	0	-0.159	-6.18	-5.5	–
Lead Measure: Promulgate three rulemakings by the AQCC to support greenhouse gas emissions reductions and greenhouse gas goals (ACT, Recovered Methane & Establishment of GHG credit and tracking system, Building Energy Efficiency) by June 30, 2023.	–	7	6	0	1	0	1	3	–
Lead Measure: Increase staff in Climate and Greenhouse Gas program from 7 FTE to 12 FTE by June 30, 2023. Progress as of April 30, 2023.	–	–		7	8	8	12	12	–

WIG 2: Air Quality (Ozone)

Measure	FY20 Actual	FY21 Actual	FY22 Actual	Q1 FY23	Q2 FY 23	Q3 FY 23	Q4 FY 23	FY23 Goal	3-Year Goal
WIG 2: Adopt new regulatory requirements and implement state air quality programs by June 30, 2023 that will result in estimated reductions of ozone precursor emissions totaling 12,500 tons per year.	–	–		-5,367	0	-7,341	0	-12500	–
Lead Measure: Complete one rulemaking for the 2008/2015 Ozone State Implementation Plan (SIP) and Associated Regulations and the Regional Haze State Implementation (SIP) Plan 5-Year Progress Report by June 30, 2023.	–	–	-	1	1	0	1	2	–
Lead Measure: Design and implement phase I of the electric small equipment grant program for state and local governments by June 30, 2023. Progress as of April 30, 2023.	–	–	-	20	60	100	100	100	–
Lead Measure: Develop and design the electric school bus and Clean Fleet Enterprise grant programs to accelerate	–	–	1-	30	70	100	100	100	–



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the transition from fossil fuel-powered vehicles and trucks to electric clean burning fuels by April 1, 2023.									
Lead Measure: Increase Title V Permitting Staff from 11 FTE to 23 FTE by June 30, 2023.	–	–	-	11	11	19	23	23	–
Lead Measure: Apply new air quality requirements to 100% of air emission sources newly required to obtain a Title V permit in an effort to improve ozone pollution by June 30, 2023.	–	–	-	0	0	100	100	100	–
Lead Measure: Sustain daily air quality forecasts for 358 out of 365 days through June 30, 2023.	–	–	-	92	92	90	91	358	–

WIG 3: Suicide Prevention

Measure	FY20 Actual	FY21 Actual	FY22 Actual	Q1 FY23	Q2 FY 23	Q3 FY 23	Q4 FY 23	FY23 Goal	3-Year Goal
WIG 3: Sustain the annual number of Coloradans provided service via the Hospital Follow Up Project at 8,000 per year through June 30, 2023.	–	–	10294	2671	2469	2545	2419	8000	–
Lead Measure: Increase the number of hospitals implementing the Follow Up Project protocol from 60 to 75 by June 30, 2023.	–	–	69	64	64	69	71	75	–
Lead Measure: Increase the number of counties participating in the Gun Shop Project each year from 44 to 64 by June 30, 2023. Progress as of April 30, 2023.	–	–	44	51	53	64	64	64	–
Lead Measure: Maintain the annual number of Colorado 20 Point Head Inspection completions above 12,000 by June 30, 2023. Progress as of April 30, 2023.	–	–	14901	4077	7453	10591	13800	12000	–
Lead Measure: Increase the number of youth serving organizations and schools (funded by CDPHE) trained in Sources of Strength each year from 120 to 124 sites by June 30, 2023. Progress as of April 30, 2023.	–	–	120	134	141	145	141	124	–



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Lead Measure: Increase the number of agencies participating in the Colorado Zero Suicide Learning Collaborative each month from 61 to 75 by June 30, 2023. Progress as of April 30, 2023.	–	–	61	63	62	79	76	75	–
Lead Measure: Increase new Colorado user registrations per year for the Operation Veteran Strong portal from 1,131 in FY 2022 to 1,500 by June 30, 2023. Progress as of April 30, 2023.	–	–	–	785	1127	1339	1472	1500	–

WIG 4: COVID-19 Vaccination

Measure	FY20 Actual	FY21 Actual	FY22 Actual	Q1 FY23	Q2 FY 23	Q3 FY 23	Q4 FY 23	FY23 Goal	3-Year Goal
WIG 4: Increase the percentage of Coloradans 5-11 years old who have a complete primary series of vaccinations for COVID-19 from 31% as of July 2022 to 41% by June 2023.	–	–	–	33%	33.90%	39.9%	40.2%	41%	N/A
Lead Measure: Increase the percentage of Black, Indigenous, and People of Color Coloradans protected against the Omicron COVID-19 variant by 10% by end of June 2023 (new Oct 2022).	–	–	–	11%	9%	12%	12%	10%	N/A
Lead measure: Increase the up-to-date vaccination rate of Black, Indigenous, and People of Color Coloradans 5 years and older from 27.8% to 37.8% by June 30, 2023.	–	–	–	3.9%	11.5%	12.4%	14.3%	37.8%	
Lead measure: Increase the percentage of long-term care facilities that hold an internal vaccine clinic or accept a State-run clinic within 60 days of new CDC booster recommendations from 90% to 95% by December 31, 2022.	–	–	–	68.3%	68.3%	–	–	95%	

