# Human Services & Public Safety Policy Committee (HSPSPC)

### Health Officials Committee (HOC) Update

February 20, 2015

The Health Officials Committee (HOC) is in the initial stages of developing the FY16 HOC Workplan covering July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016. Thus far, the health officials have proposed the following areas of focus over this time period:

* Region Forward/Health In All Policies/Health Equity
* 21st Century Public Health Challenges/Workforce Development
* Emergency Preparedness
* Population Health: Data Collection, Analysis, Health Assessments, Surveillance

During the next meeting, HOC will work to further define key objectives to apply to the areas of focus above. The objectives will define a spectrum of engagement that can be applied to both current and future issues over time. These objective categories include the following:

* Shared Learning: Create an opportunity for education on cross-cutting public health and related issues. This could include peers, guest speaker and top thinkers.
* Regional Coordination: Develop a common voice and better coordination around critical regional health issues.
* Shared Service: Share services between jurisdictions to decrease duplication of effort and increase consistency throughout the region (e.g., educational material templates).
* Share Data: Gather and analyze basic information on the health data and analyses by jurisdiction to share with the HOC members.

The FY16 HOC Workplan, including the deliverables and the relative timeline of implementation, will be distributed to Human Services & Public Safety Policy Committee (HSPSPC) once finalized and approved by the Health Officials.