

BOARD OF HEALTH – JOHNSON COUNTY, IOWA

- Origin: *Iowa Code* Title IV Public Health: Subtitle 2 Health-Related Activities: Chapter 137.3 "Local Boards of Health"
- Number of Members: Five (5) members; one of which must be a licensed M.D. or D.O. in Iowa as a doctor of medicine and surgery or as an osteopathic physician and surgery as defined by law.
- Appointed by: Johnson County Board of Supervisors
- Term: Three (3) years
- Duties: The powers and duties of the County Board of Health are outlined in *Iowa Code* Chapter 137.104, and summarized as follows:
- Enforce state health laws and the rules and lawful orders of the state department.
 - Make and enforce such reasonable rules and regulations not inconsistent with law, the rules of the state board, or the Iowa public health standards as may be necessary for the protection and improvement of the public health.
 - Employ persons as necessary for the efficient discharge of its duties.
 - Provide the names of all local board of health members and officers to the state department.
 - Provide minutes of local board of health meetings and reports of the local board of health's operations and activities to the state department as may be required by the director, by rule, or by contract.
 - Provide such population-based and personal health services as may be deemed necessary for the promotion and protection of the health of the public and charge reasonable fees for personal health services. A person shall not be denied necessary services within the limits of available resources because of inability to pay the cost of such services.
 - Provide such environmental health services as may be deemed necessary for the protection and improvement of the public health and issue licenses and permits and charge reasonable fees in relation to the construction or operation of nonpublic water supplies or private sewage disposal systems.
 - Engage in joint operations and contract with colleges and universities, the state department, other public, private, and nonprofit agencies, and individuals or form a district health department to provide personal and population-based public health services.
 - By written agreement with the council of any city within its jurisdiction, enforce appropriate ordinances of the city relating to public health.
- Meetings: When: Monthly, on the second Wednesday at 4:00 pm
Where: Johnson County Health and Human Services Building
855 South Dubuque Street, Iowa City
Conference Room 214 (typical, see agenda)