

Health in All Policies (HiAP) Workgroup Agenda

July 9, 2026

12:00-2:00pm CST

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Meeting Objectives

- Make recommendations for the 2026 report
- Identify issues, resources, and opportunities for collaboration

12:00-12:10pm	Opening Remarks	Wayne H. Giles, Dean & Professor University of Illinois Chicago School of Public Health (UIC SPH) Sameer Vohra, Director Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH)
12:10-12:15pm	Approval of February 2026 Minutes	Wayne H. Giles, Dean & Professor UIC SPH
12:15-12:25pm	Open Comment Period	Janice Phillips, Assistant Director IDPH
12:25-12:35pm	2026 Annual Report Topic: Environmental Justice	Antonia Lewis-Reese, Senior Director of Strategic Initiatives, UIC SPH
12:35-12:55pm	[Presentation]	Cheryl Johnson, Executive Director People for Community Recovery
12:55-1:15pm	Political Landscape of Environmental Justice in Illinois	Matthew Smith, Chief Policy Officer, IDPH
1:15-1:45pm	Group Discussion <i>What emerging issues or threats that impact the priorities of Healthy Illinois 2028 should we address in our report? What recommendations should we make? What data and other resources should we examine to support our recommendations?</i>	HiAP Alliance Members
1:45-2:00pm	Closing Remarks & Next Steps	Wayne H. Giles, Dean & Professor UIC SPH Sameer S. Vohra, Director IDPH

The Health in All Policies Alliance facilitates cross-sector communication and work across policy makers and stakeholders to foster a culture of health equity and support efforts to make Illinois the healthiest state in the nation. We do this by examining the health of the residents of the state of Illinois and making recommendations to the Illinois General Assembly to improve and prevent threats to health through policy, practice, and partnership.

*The Health in All Policies Act ([410 ILCS 155/10](#)) identifies the following **areas of focus** for our work:*

- (A) Access to safe and affordable housing.
- (B) Educational attainment.
- (C) Opportunities for employment.
- (D) Economic stability.

- (E) *Inclusion, diversity, and equity in the workplace.*
- (F) *Barriers to career success and promotion in the workplace.*
- (G) *Access to transportation and mobility.*
- (H) *Social justice.*
- (I) *Environmental factors.*
- (J) *Public safety, including the impact of crime, citizen unrest, the criminal justice system, and governmental policies that affect individuals who are in prison or released from prison.*