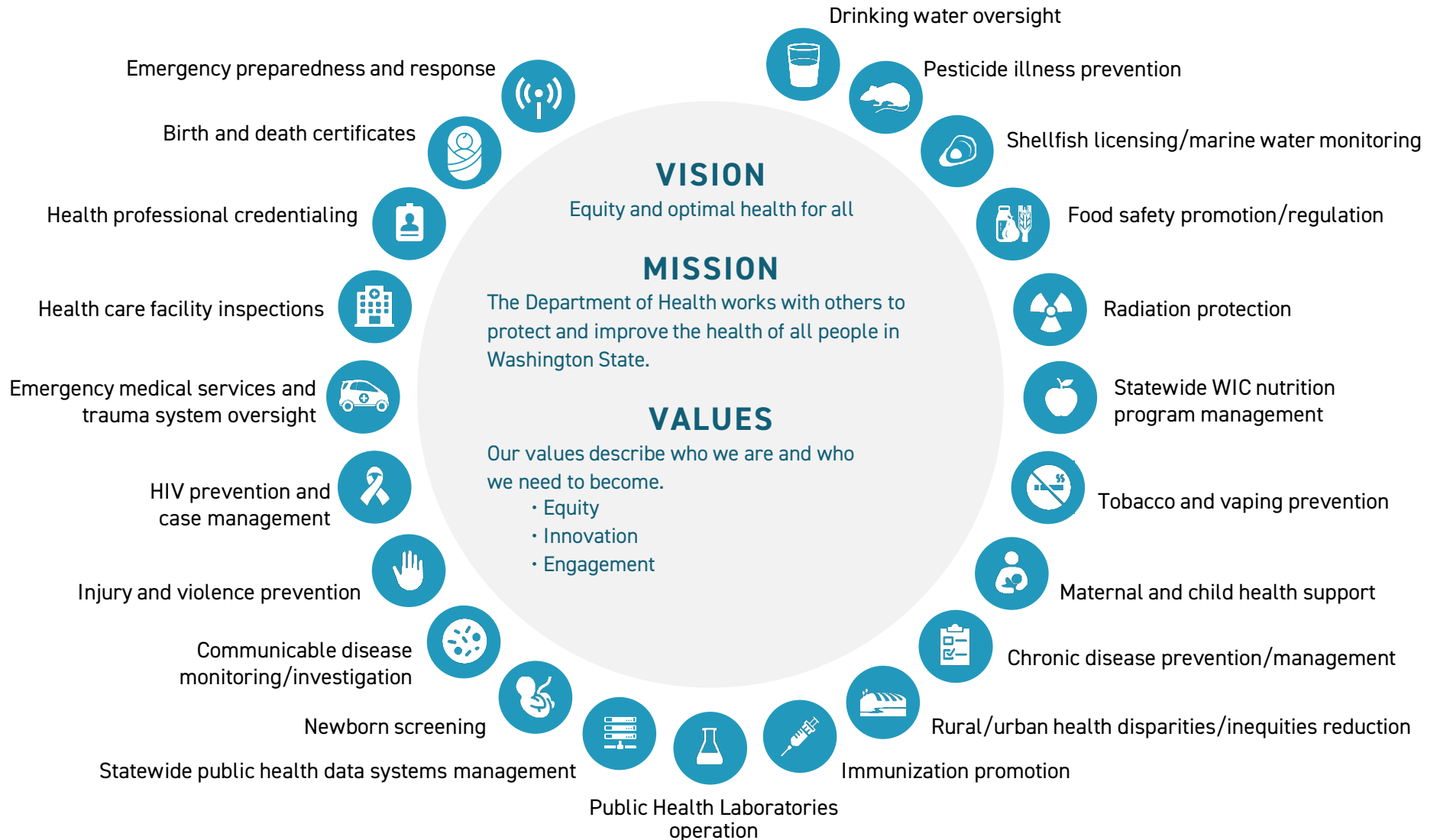


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PUBLIC HEALTH IS ESSENTIAL



PUBLIC SAFETY

Public health helps protect everyone from communicable diseases and health threats.



179,674

water samples evaluated for contaminants



94,703

new practitioners licensed



12,109

shellfish water samples analyzed for contaminants



2,606

animal-transmitted disease samples tested



2,405

licensed health care facilities inspected for patient safety



1,654

farmworker housing inspections performed



44

cases identified as part of a foodborne outbreak

HEALTHY BEGINNINGS

Public health helps ensure all children achieve their highest health potential.



FAMILIES OF

293,673

children received mailings (estimated)



CHILD PROFILE

ENGLISH **1,299,004** (95.8%)

ESPAÑOL **57,366** (4.2%)



212,634

women and children received WIC nutritional and breastfeeding support (data from 2025)



APPROXIMATELY

210,545

newborn blood samples tested for congenital disorders



87.2%

of WA kindergarteners were complete for all school immunization requirements (2024-25 school year)

HEALTHY LIVING

Public health helps ensure health equity and improve population health.



VITAL RECORDS

62,213 birth certificates

8,606 death certificates

82,698 births registered

65,773 deaths registered



OVERDOSE EDUCATION

488,793

Naloxone kits distributed



121

farmers markets accepted fruit and vegetable vouchers from SNAP participants

