

MPH-BSPH External Advisory Committee: Policy and Procedures

The MPH – BSPH External Advisory Committee shall consist of leaders from external stakeholders organizations from the state and local community, including local health departments, state health department, state wide associations and other appropriate organizations. Public Health Faculty will recommend Advisory Committee members.

The External Advisory Committee will function at two levels, the Community Advisory Group (full stakeholder group) and Core Advisory Committee (6-8 key stakeholders.)

The Community Advisory Group will be an open group with as many stakeholders as appropriate to be representative of the community. This group will inform the public health faculty of needs they observe in the community, while the public health faculty would update them of what is transpiring in the public health programs.

The Core Advisory Committee will help inform the program mission, objectives, goals, and curriculum. The Core Advisory Committee members will be recruited in such a way as to mirror the makeup of our local and regional community. It shall include representatives from our Academic Health Department members (Barren River District Health Department and Green River District Health Department), from the state Public Health department, and from program alumni working in the region.

Procedures:

The Community Advisory group of the MPH-BSPH External Advisory Committee will

1. Meet every other year with faculty to provide an environmental assessment of the current trends in public health and future developments to help guide research and teaching.
2. Link department to external resources and opportunities as warranted.
3. Serve as ambassadors for the department.
4. Assist in identifying internships and career opportunities for students.

The Core Advisory group of the MPH-BSPH External Advisory Committee will meet yearly with faculty to evaluate programming, identify programmatic gaps, and inform departmental curriculum.