

Attachment B

BYLAWS FOR DICKSON COUNTY HEALTH COUNCIL

ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of this council shall be the Dickson County Health Council.

This body shall be known as the DICKSON COUNTY HEALTH COUNCIL (hereafter referred to as "COUNCIL") and will exist within the geographic boundaries of Dickson County, Tennessee. The council shall exist as a non-incorporated, not-for-profit, voluntary membership community service organization.

ARTICLE II. PURPOSE AND GOALS

The overall mission of the Council is to assist the Department of Health by advising the Department regarding the health problems of Dickson County and thus assist the Department in its responsibility to undertake "Community Diagnosis". The Council will promote the prevention of premature death, disability, and illness by developing a Dickson County community health plan for recommendation to the Department. The role of the Department of Health is to support the Council by providing the resources needed by the Council to undertake the work, and by facilitating the planning process. The following is a proposed objective statement. The mission of the Council is to assist the Department of Health by:

1. Developing a community health plan, which includes health problem and needs identification.
2. Developing goals, objectives, and plans of action to meet these needs along with identifying and securing resources to address these needs.
3. Establishing priorities for all identified health problems.
4. Identifying department/organization work teams and community agencies, which should coordinate efforts with respect to each health problem.
5. Drafting and presenting to the Department of Health the recommended health plan.
6. Promoting and supporting the importance of reducing the health problems to the Department and the community.
7. Maintaining good communications with the Department via periodic reports from the Council through the Regional Health Council Representative and Community Development Staff.

ARTICLE III. AUTHORITY

1. The Council shall exist as an advisory and support body to Tennessee Department of Health solely for the purposes stated herein and shall not be vested with any legal authority described to Tennessee Department of Health, the State of Tennessee or any of its political subdivisions. Recommendations of the Council will not be binding upon Tennessee Department of Health and the Council is not granted authority to act on behalf of The Department of Health without specific prior written authorization.
2. The Council shall not have the authority to generate, or otherwise receive, funds or property on its own behalf. Further, the Council shall not generate or receive any monies or property on behalf of Tennessee Department of Health without specific prior approval in writing. Should such authorization be issued any monies or property thereby arising shall be designated for and relinquished directly to Tennessee Department of Health for appropriate accounting and allocation according to Tennessee Department of Health applicable Department of Health policy.
3. The Council shall provide Tennessee Department of Health a strict accounting of all financial transaction arising from Council activities. The financial records and accounts of the Council will be made available to Tennessee Department of Health and/or its official auditors for examination at any time upon reasonable request.