

# LEWIS COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH 2019 COMMUNITY HEALTH ASSESSMENT

## KEY FINDINGS

### **Demographic & Socioeconomic**

The percent of residents aged 16 and over in the workforce significantly decreased from 2013 to 2018.

### **Health Resource Availability**

More Lewis County residents have health insurance; rates of uninsured residents have notably decrease since 2013.

### **Behavioral Risk Factors**

Marijuana and tobacco use has remained stable over the last five years; Lewis County's rate of adults who currently smoke cigarettes remains higher than Washington State's.

### **Communicable Diseases**

Lewis County's rate for many STIs remains below that of Washington State and child immunization rates remain higher in Lewis County compared to Washington State.

### **Death, Illness and Injury**

Incidence and mortality rates for all cancers have decreased over the last five years, including lung cancer, which continues to be the most common cancer and cause of cancer death.

### **Maternal Risk Factors**

Lewis County maintains higher rates of teen pregnancy and smoking throughout gestation than Washington State.

### **Social & Mental Health**

Drop-box usage for election ballots continues has nearly doubled since 2012.

### **Environmental Health**

Public community water systems serve nearly half of all residents; drinking water tested in 2018 was clean of contaminants exceeding safe levels.

## COMMUNITY HEALTH VISION

*"Lewis County is an engaged community that encourages and supports all of us to be healthy, educated, employed, resilient and accountable."*

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