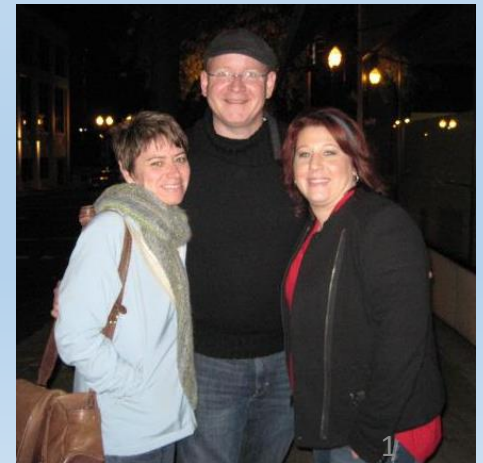


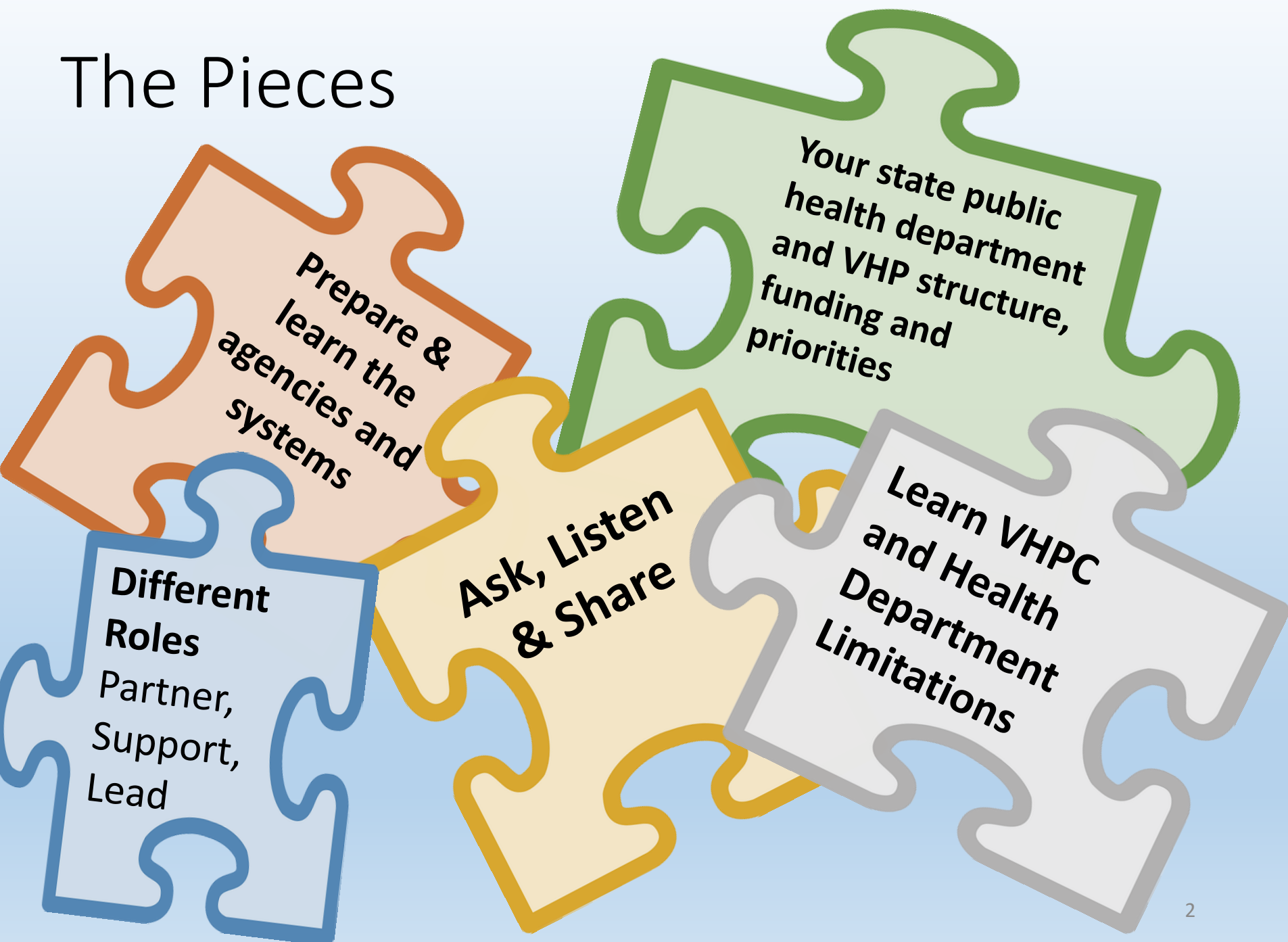
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Working with VHPCs

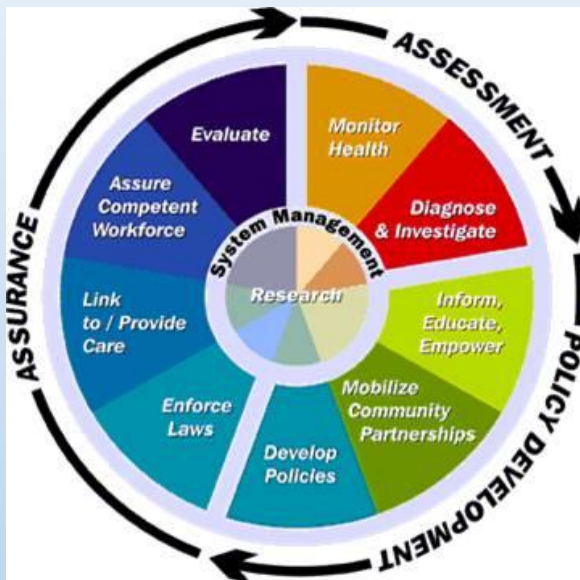
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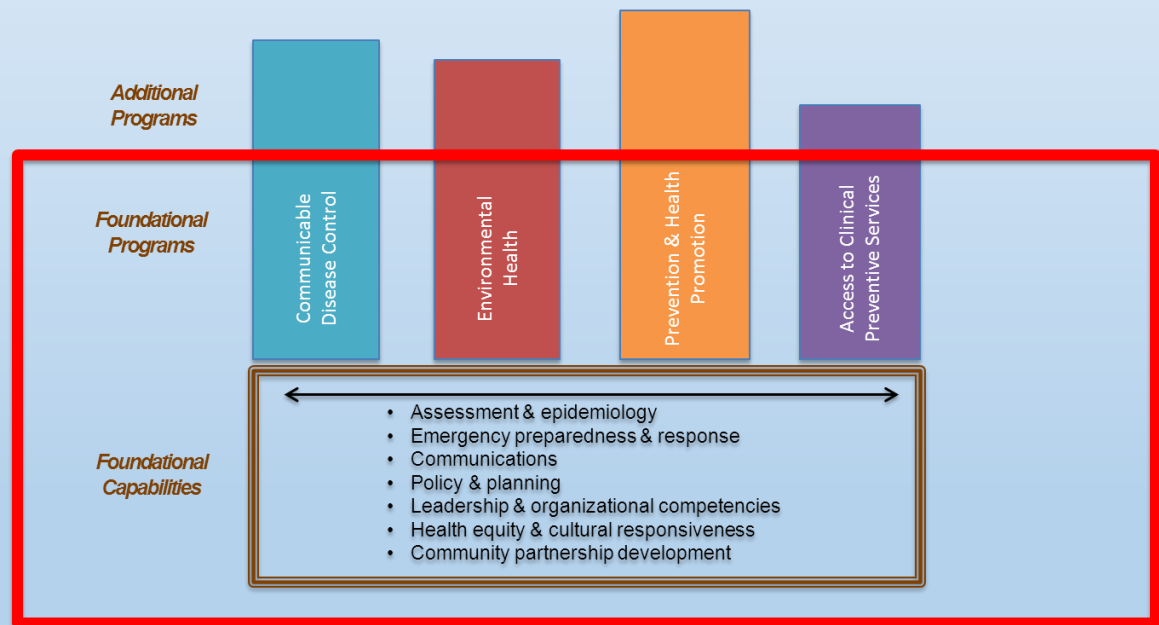
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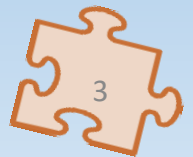
Public Health Core Activities & Priorities



Population-wide perspective



■ = Present @ every Health Dept.



Viral Hepatitis Priorities and Activities



National

- [CDC Division of Viral Hepatitis](#)
 - [State and local partner grantees](#)
- [Action Plan for the Prevention, Care and Treatment for VH](#)
- National VH update emails and newsletters

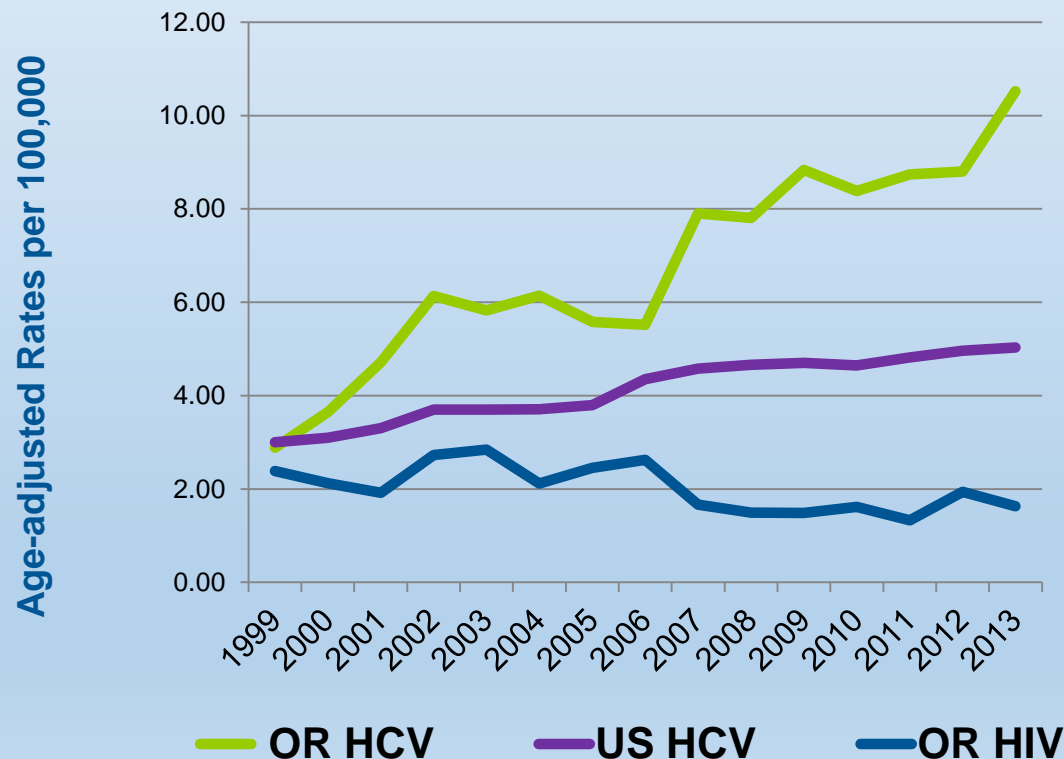
State

- Where is the VH Program located in the health dept?
- State Viral Hepatitis Program Website?
- State Viral Hepatitis Epidemiologic information or VH Epi Report?
- State VH Strategic Plan?
- State VHP priority settings and population?
- State or local VH updates?

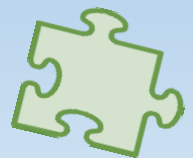


Age-adjusted mortality from HCV and HIV in Oregon and from HCV nationally, 1999-2013

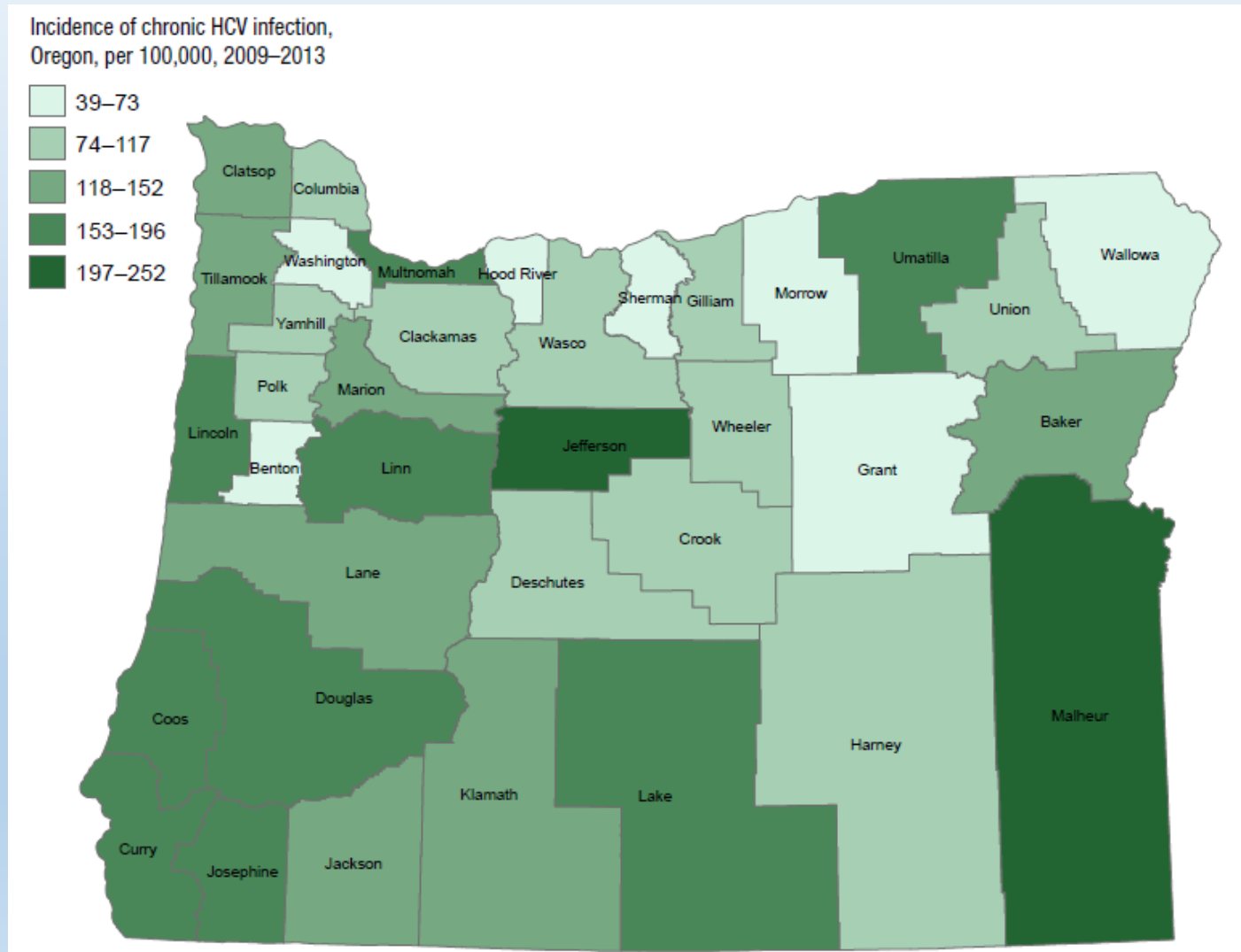
Age-adjusted mortality rates



- 83% of HCV-related deaths were in persons aged 45-64 years
- Only 16% were ≥ 65 years



Incidence of chronic HCV by county, Oregon, 2009-13 (cases/100,000)



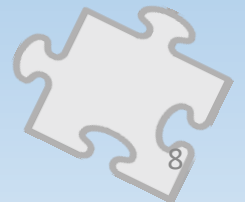
State and Local Health Departments can...

- Share and validate evidence-informed, evidence-based and best practices through guidance documents, reports, strategic plans, conferences, evaluation and research
- Work with other government agencies to collaboratively address a health issue
- Provide health information, materials and expertise
- Support community mobilization efforts to address health problems
- Financially support programs



State health departments and VHPCs cannot...

- Take a public position outside of the Governor's budget or policy agenda to support or oppose
 - Legislation
 - Budget cuts
 - Candidates
 - Ongoing legal matters or court decisions
- Talk in certain venues or the media without getting talking points cleared first by Health Department Communications staff



Example: Oregon Public Health Policy

Health department <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Propose policies internally through PHD/OHA channels• Provide input and comment to OHA on draft policies being considered• Analyze VH related health policy with OHA Policy staff support	Health department supports community <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Expert testimony for legislature• Provides technical assistance, including responses to requests for public health information• Subject matter expertise to state and local programs
Community supports health department <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Requests OHA-VH	Community <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Legislative briefings• Communication with

Ask, Listen and Share



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State structures, funding levels, priorities, policies, VH and HIV epidemics and program linkages are slightly different...

