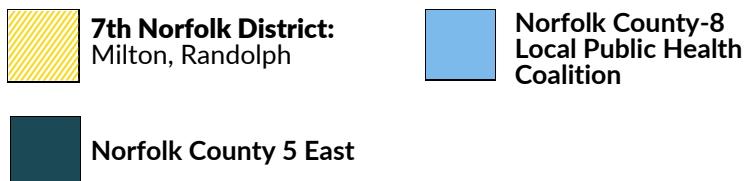


KEEPING MASSACHUSETTS HEALTHY & SAFE

The Public Health Excellence grant program (funded through line item 4512-2022) leverages state, federal, and municipal dollars to allow local boards of health to build capacity by sharing resources and staffing across regions. Through this grant program, communities gain access to trained public health professionals and data-driven solutions they couldn't support alone. This regional approach enables coordinated responses to health threats like infectious disease and the opioid epidemic that don't stop at town borders, helping ensure all residents have an equal chance to be healthy, no matter where they live.

MAP KEY



NORFOLK COUNTY 5 EAST (NC5 EAST)



Founded in
2023
Participating
Municipalities
5

Population
Served
244.6 K
*2020 population, census data

With PHE grant funding, NC5 East was able to:



Hire a Shared Services Coordinator and multiple Health Inspectors to conduct State Sanitary Code inspections for: housing complaints, swimming pools, food service, and nuisance complaints.

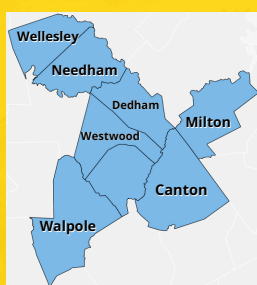


Meet regularly with Health Officers and Town staff to facilitate troubleshooting, information sharing, and exchange of best practices.



Support the continuing education and credentialing of NC5 East staff, including certification for Serve Safe, Certified Pool Operator (CPO), and Lead Paint Evaluator, as well as Soil Evaluator classes.

NORFOLK COUNTY-8 LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH COALITION



Participating
Municipalities

8

Population Served

187.9 K
*2020 population, census data

With PHE grant funding, the Collaborative was able to:



Expand staffing for the Coalition develop regional programming, support the NC-8 Medical Reserve Corp, and provide surge capacity for the NC-8's COVID-19 Response.



Launch Mental Health First Aid program, led by the NC-8 Public Health Associate, to introduce common mental health challenges and teach a five-step action plan for helping individuals in both crisis and non-crisis situations.



Develop sun safety education programs tailored to various age groups, utilizing UV detection stickers, UV cameras with portable printers, and implementing them at camps, health fairs, and farmers markets.