



Independence Health Department

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**The Health Department was re-recognized
by the State in December 2020**





Steps Taken

- Environmental staff has moved to the new space.
- The Administrative Specialist for the unit started in April 2021
- An Epidemiologist and a Public Health Specialist have been hired. The Public Health Specialist begins May 24 and the Epidemiologist begins July 5.
- Office spaces for the new employees have been set up.
- The re-established Health Department is receiving phone calls, processing permits and performing inspections!



What is to Come...

- Technology Services is working on a new payment system/inspection reporting program
- Communicable disease staff will begin tracking and monitoring diseases in Independence
- **Integration of the Environmental Services Division and the Communicable Disease and Prevention Division to form a cohesive group in which to promote and protect public health.**





Questions?

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