

Glossary

Area Development District (ADD) - Kentucky has 120 counties that are divided into 15 ADDs for the planning of a variety of programs.

Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) - These guidelines were developed to reform the healthcare industry by enforcing standards on health information, reducing fraud and abuse, and guaranteeing security and privacy of health care information.

Public Health Surveillance - the ongoing systematic collection, analysis, interpretation and dissemination of health data. Specific types of surveillance are listed below.

- **Active Surveillance** - the health department regularly contacts reporting sources (e.g. once per week) to elicit reports, including negative reports (no cases)
- **Passive Surveillance** - a health jurisdiction receives disease or injury reports from physicians or other individuals or institutions as mandated by state law
- **Sentinel Surveillance** - This is a type of surveillance that determines cases from a certain sample of the population. Cases may be determined by active surveillance from specified sentinel providers, or these providers may provide information on cases to the reporting authority on a regular basis.