

# Developing a Framework to Incorporate Health into Transportation Corridor Planning

## About the Framework

### What is the Framework?

The U.S. Department of Transportation is developing a *Framework for Better Integrating Health into Transportation Corridor Planning*. The goal for the framework is to provide information transportation practitioners need to incorporate health into the corridor planning process. The framework is intended to enhance the corridor planning process. It is action-oriented and provides step-by-step tools and information.

### How was the Framework Developed?

The framework content was developed using practitioner input in a series of focus group meetings to provide practical understanding of how to incorporate health. Both transportation and public health professionals were engaged to identify how partnerships are created, the tools and methods that support analysis, data that is available or needed, and provide examples of successful practice by those agencies already actively incorporating health.



## About the Beta Test Process

### What is the Beta Testing?

A diverse group of transportation agencies submitted letters of interest to use the draft framework within a selected corridor planning project. Five teams were selected to begin testing in January 2015. This test will inform the completion of the framework and provide case study reports that illustrate its usefulness in a real-world setting.

### How will the Beta Test work?

The selected beta teams will test the framework in actual corridor planning studies between January and August 2015. The framework is intended to be used within an existing corridor planning process; not as a stand-alone or parallel process. Working with a technical support member, the teams will provide feedback to validate or make adjustments to the framework content and structure.

## For More Information

Health in Transportation Research Efforts:

[http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/planning/health\\_in\\_transportation/research\\_efforts/](http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/planning/health_in_transportation/research_efforts/)

Selected Beta Test Teams:

[http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/planning/health\\_in\\_transportation/research\\_efforts/framework\\_beta\\_test/index.cfm](http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/planning/health_in_transportation/research_efforts/framework_beta_test/index.cfm)