## NARRATIVE 2027 BUDGET REQUEST

State Department of Health (301-00)

Name of Agency

The Mississippi State Department of Health is requesting level funding to continue to deliver core public health programs. These programs - ranging from maternal and child health to infectious disease control to regulatory oversight for various healthcare related professions and entities - form the baseline of the agency's statutory obligations and are vital to public well-being. Level funding represents a disciplined request that recognizes fiscal constraints while maintaining the agency's public health responsibilities. State funding provides critical match and meets maintenance of effort requirements that allow Mississippi to leverage federal funding to support the public health infrastructure and needs in the state. Without consistent state support, those dollars could be at risk.

Data for these measures are reported by Calenday Year(CY) unless otherwise noted.