Mission:
To provide international leadership to optimize health and quality of life along the United States-México border.

Strategic Principles:
Leadership-Focus-Venue

Strategic Priorities:
The priority areas for 2011-2012 include the following:
• Tuberculosis
• Obesity/diabetes
• Infectious disease and public health emergencies
• Strategic planning
• Access to care
• Research, data collection, and academic alliances

Strategic Actions for 2011/2012:
The following action items include various activities and product-oriented, measurable outputs planned during this program year period (September 1st through August 31st).
• Conduct the Border Binational Best Practices in Childhood Obesity Prevention Fora.
• Conduct the third annual U.S.-México Tuberculosis (TB) Consortium.
• Conduct the third annual Border Binational Infectious Disease Conference.
• Continue support for the New Mexico-Chihuahua TB Pilot Project.
• Conduct the fourth Binational Border Health Research Forum.
• Implement the Healthy Border 2010/2020 Strategic Plan.
• Conduct the annual BHC Binational Outreach Office Planning Meeting.
• Sponsor the ninth annual National Infant Immunization Week/Vaccination Week in the Americas (NIIW/VWA).
• Sponsor the eighth annual Border Binational Health Week (BBHW).
Primary Achievement Products of the United States-México Border Health Commission (BHC)
2000-2011

The following list identifies the primary achievement products of the BHC from 2000 to the present:

**Initiatives**

- Sponsor the annual border National Infant Immunization Week/Vaccination Week in the Americas to promote vaccination in the U.S.-México border region (2004 to the present).
- Sponsor the annual Border Binational Health Week to promote sustainable partnerships to address border health problems in the U.S.-México border region (2004 to present).
- Sponsored the Border Models of Excellence Initiative (2010-focus on childhood obesity and tuberculosis programs; 2003-focus on promotora programs).
- Established the U.S.-México Binational Infectious Disease initiative to document critical infectious disease issues impacting the border region (2010).
- Established the U.S.-México Border Tuberculosis Consortium to enhance the integration of binational and borderwide efforts on mutual TB issues (2010).
- Established the Leaders across Borders binational leadership training program (2009).
- Proposed establishment of the U.S.-border states and México Early Warning Infectious Disease Surveillance (EWIDS) project designed to improve the ability to rapidly detect, identify, and report outbreaks of infectious disease (2003).
- Established state outreach offices in each of the ten U.S.-México border states (2000).

**Forums/Activities**

- The Leaders across Borders Graduation (2011-Tucson, Arizona; 2010-El Paso, Texas)
- The Border Binational Infectious Disease Conference (2011-El Paso, Texas; 2010-San Antonio, Texas)
- Border Models of Excellence in Childhood Obesity and Tuberculosis Award Ceremonies (2010-San Diego, California)
- The Border Binational TB Consortium (2011 and 2010-San Diego, California)
- The Binational Tuberculosis Legal Issues Forum (2010-El Paso, Texas)
- The Binational Border Health Research Forum (2011-Las Cruces, New Mexico; 2009-San Diego, California; 2006-Monterrey, Nuevo León)
- The Binational Health Council Strategic Planning Workshops (2011, 2010-El Paso, Texas; 2008-San Antonio, Texas)
- The Binational Pandemic Avian Flu Table Top Exercise (2007-San Diego, California)
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**Publications**

- Three white papers—*U.S. Border States Early Warning Infectious Disease Surveillance (EWIDS) Project; Tuberculosis along the U.S.-México Border; and Childhood Obesity and the U.S.-México Border* (2009).