



# Committee of the Whole

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**Council Initiated:**

Yes

No

**ECAF:** 2024-2623

**Ordinance:** 24-092

**Type:**

- Contract
- Board Appt.
- Code Amendment
- Budget Action
- Other

**Requested Handling:**

- Normal
- Expedite
- Urgent

**Fund Source:**

- General Fund
- Other
- N/A

**Executive Rec:**

- Approve
- Do Not Approve
- N/A

**Approved as to**

**Form:**

- Yes
- No
- N/A

**Subject:** Data Sharing Agreement – Health Dept. & WS Dept. of Health

**Scope:** Under the agreement, the Snohomish County Health Department will gain access to the States Washington Emergency Medical Services Information System (WEMSI) which will provide them access to the following data:

1. Violence Data - This data will be used to map areas of violence in Snohomish County using the [Cardiff model](#). Data will be provided on an annual basis and include: individuals who have an injury inflicted upon them; complaints reported by dispatch; and all assaults, stabbings, gunshot wounds, or penetrating traumas. While the data shared is restricted and confidential, if adjusted to adhere with the Department of Health's [small numbers guidelines](#) and [RCW 70.168.090](#), data may be shared publicly.

2. Opioid Data – This data will be used to inform the County's approach to the opioid response, resource allocation, and informing public health interventions. Data may be used for studies and analysis, but is not authorized for research purposes.

**Duration:** Execution through June 30, 2027

**Fiscal Impact:**  Current Year  Multi-Year  N/A

**Authority Granted:** Authorizes the Executive to execute the agreement.

**Background:** This is a new contract between the State and the County's Health Department for these datasets. With this data, the Health Department will create visual maps to plot out where events took place to help inform public health interventions. [RCW 70.05.070](#) outlines the powers and duties of local health officers within each County which includes, but is not limited to, enforcing state and local health rules; addressing things detrimental to public health; and taking such measures as he or she deems necessary in order to promote public health.

**Requested Action:** Set time and date for a public hearing.