2.0 Description of the MPH Program

2.1 Mission and Objectives. The mission of the MPH program is to educate, conduct research, provide service, and advocate for improved community health emphasizing rural and disadvantaged regions.

The MPH program attains its mission by reaching the following goals:

1. Provide an educational program for current and future public health professionals responsive to meeting needs in a changing environment, including skills to work in rural and disadvantaged communities.
2. Educate individuals to apply a collaborative approach of evidence-based prevention to address public health issues and manage programs in various settings.
3. Increase the quality and quantity of funded public health-related research, including translational research projects that address established regional priorities.
4. Advance the health of communities, particularly in eastern North Carolina, through community engagement, leadership, advocacy and collaborative efforts with public health agencies and other entities.