“Public Health in the Kill Zone: Restructuring of Local Public Health Agencies”

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“As a result of the current Great Recession, public health departments in the U.S. are encountering serious economic challenges, compounded by the general lack of political visibility of public health to elected officials. Many local health departments are having to significantly restructure themselves in the face of these challenges.” ~ Gene Matthews

Objectives:
- Compare the 3 transformation moments in recent public health history.
- Examine the factors that have lead public health into a political kill zone.
- Differentiate the organizational changes that public health departments are now facing.
- Identify the legal issues relating to these organizational changes.

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