

## THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PUBLIC HEALTH LAW IN STRENGTHENING HEALTH PROMOTION AND DISEASE PREVENTION

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### **Abstract**

*Public health law plays an important role in regulating health efforts, promoting healthy behavior, and preventing diseases within modern health systems. This study aims to analyze the implementation of public health law to strengthen health promotion and disease prevention through a literature review. The research employs a qualitative method, drawing on library research to examine scholarly articles, academic publications, and international health reports on public health regulation and implementation practices. The findings indicate that effective public health regulations help control health risks, improve preventive health services, and encourage healthier public behavior. However, successful implementation depends on institutional capacity, law enforcement mechanisms, and community participation. In the era of global health challenges, adaptive regulatory frameworks and coordinated policy implementation are essential to strengthen health systems and ensure sustainable public health protection.*

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### **Introduction**

Public health is an important aspect of national and global development because it is directly related to the quality of life and productivity of the population. Efforts to improve health depend not only on medical services but also on policies and regulations that address various determinants of health, such as the environment, behavior, and access to health services. In this context, public health law plays an important role as an instrument for regulating government and community actions to maintain and improve public health (Gostin, 2000).

The development of globalization and increasing population mobility have expanded public health challenges, including the emergence of new infectious diseases, non-communicable diseases, as well as global health threats such as pandemics. This condition requires health regulations that effectively support disease prevention and health promotion efforts. The World Health Organization (WHO, 2014) emphasizes that a strong health law framework is an important foundation for building a health system able to respond to global health threats quickly and in a coordinated manner.

Public health law not only serves as a tool for disease control but also encourages healthy living behaviors through promotive and preventive policies. Efforts such as tobacco control, food safety, vaccination, and environmental protection demonstrate that laws play an important role in reducing public health risks. Studies show that regulation-based interventions have a significant impact on lowering the rates of certain diseases across different countries (Gostin & Wiley, 2016).

In addition, the implementation of public health law is closely related to governance and institutional capacity to implement regulations effectively. Without strong institutional support, health policies often do not run optimally even when regulations have been set. Research shows that the successful implementation of health policies depends on coordination between the government, health workers, and community participation in carrying out health programs (Magnusson, 2017).