

INDIANA STATE HEALTH COMMISSIONERS

(per IC 16-19-4-4 all are physicians)

1881 - March 15, 1883	Thaddeus M. Stevens
March 15, 1883 - August 14, 1883	Emanuel R. Hawn
September 6, 1883 - May 1885	Elyah S. Elder
May 1885 - March 1896	Charles M. Metcalf
March 12, 1896 - 1922	John N. Hurty
October 1, 1922 - April 1933	William F. King
April 1933 - June 1933	John H. Hare
July 1, 1933 - October 1940	Verne K. Harvey
October 1940 - October 1942	John W. Ferree (on leave US Navy - October 1942)
October 1942 - July 1945	Thurman B. Rice (Interim Commissioner)
July 1, 1945 - August 1954	L. E. Burney*
August 1954 - 1972	A. C. Offutt
1973 - 1979	William T. Paynter
1980 - 1984	Ronald G. Blankenbaker
1985	T.S. Danielson, Jr, (Interim Commissioner)
1986 - 1989	Woodrow A. Myers, Jr.**
1990	Morris Green (Interim Commissioner)
1991 - 1996	John C. Bailey
1997 - 2000	Richard D. Feldman
2001 - 2004	Gregory A. Wilson
March 10, 2005 - March 18, 2010	Judith A. Monroe***
March 18 - March 31, 2010	Loren Robertson (Interim Commissioner)
April 1, 2010 - January 11, 2013	Gregory N. Larkin
January 14, 2013 - October 21, 2014	William C. VanNess, II
October 14, 2014 - September 1, 2017	Jerome M. Adams****
September 2, 2017 – October 15, 2017	Pam Pontones, (Interim Commissioner)
October 16, 2017 - present	Kristina M. Box

Sources:

A list from the Indiana State Library Clipping file—State Officers.

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*First State Health Commissioner to be appointed as US Surgeon General – 1956 to 1961

**First African-American State Health Commissioner

***First female State Health Commissioner – left ISDH to be Deputy Director of CDC and Director of the Office for State, Tribal, Local and Territorial Support

****Appointed as the 20th US Surgeon General