

ACCREDITATION BASICS



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DOMAIN 1

Conduct and disseminate assessments focused on population health status and public health issues facing the community.

PCHD Actions:

- ◎ 2 CHIP Cycles
 - ◎ 2009-2012
 - ◎ 2013-2016



DOMAIN 2

Investigate health problems and environmental public health hazards to protect the community

PCHD Actions:

- ⊙ Environmental Health
- ⊙ Investigation partnerships
- ⊙ Communicable Disease Investigation and Follow-up
- ⊙ Numerous required policies/plans/procedures backed by State Statute
- ⊙ Public Health Emergency Response Plans



DOMAIN 3

Inform and educate the public about public health issues and functions

PCHD Actions:

- ⊙ Internal Communication
- ⊙ External Communication
- ⊙ Press Releases
- ⊙ Health Alerts/Advisories



DOMAIN 4

Engage with the community to identify and address health problems

PCHD Actions:

- ① 2 CHA/CHIP cycles
- ① Established coalitions built around identified health priorities



DOMAIN 5

Develop public health policies and plans

PCHD Actions:

- ◎ Primary source for public health expertise
- ◎ Completed CHIP
- ◎ PCHD Strategic Plan (2 cycles)
- ◎ All Hazards PHEP (Public Health Emergency Plan)
 - ◎ Nationally Recognized Model
 - ◎ Public Health Preparedness Consortium (Regional All-hazards Planning)



DOMAIN 6

Enforce public health laws

PCHD Actions:

- ⊙ Statutory requirements around disease investigation and control
- ⊙ Review existing laws, educate governing entities on need for changes/updates
- ⊙ Conduct and monitor enforcement and coordinate notification of violations with appropriate partners



DOMAIN 7

Promote strategies to improve access to health care services

PCHD Actions:

- ① Assessment of health service capacity and access to
- ① Identify and implement strategies to improve access
- ① Polk County free clinic model



DOMAIN 8

Maintain a competent public health workforce

PCHD Actions:

- ◎ PCHD Workforce Competency Development Plan
 - ◎ 3 Nationally Recognized Competency Sets
 - ◎ Statewide Assessment Tool to determine gaps



DOMAIN 9

Evaluate and continuously improve health department processes, programs, and interventions

PCHD Actions:

- ⊙ Regional and state lead on Performance Management and Quality Improvement
- ⊙ PCHD Performance Management Plan



DOMAIN 10

Contribute to and apply the evidence base of public health

PCHD Actions:

- ① Grant initiatives used to implement evidence based best practices
- ① Strategic focus to use research, evaluations and best practices to continuously improve programs
- ① Member of Wisconsin Public Health Practice Based Research Network



DOMAIN 11

Maintain administrative and management capacity

PCHD Actions:

- ① Strategic Plan focus on Performance Management to increase program effectiveness
- ① Strategic Plan focus on improving financial management systems
- ① Health Officer recognized Nationally for Public Health Excellence via Roemer Award



DOMAIN 12

Maintain capacity to engage the public health governing entity

PCHD Actions:

- ⊙ Maintain definitions of public health roles, responsibilities and authorities
- ⊙ Provide information to governing entity about public health roles and the roles of the governing entity
- ⊙ Encourage governing entity engagement in overall obligations and responsibilities



SITE VISIT LOGISTICS

Day 1:

- ⊙ Meetings by Domain
- ⊙ Agency Tour
- ⊙ Usually internal with health department

Day 2:

- ⊙ Meetings with external partners
- ⊙ Meetings with governing entity



QUESTIONS?

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