

The 10 Essential Public Health Services

An Overview

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Objectives

- ❑ Describe the 10 Essential Public Health Services
- ❑ Review the history of the development of the 10 Essential Public Health Services
- ❑ Explain the use of the 10 Essential Public Health Services as a framework for public health initiatives

Core Functions of Public Health Steering Committee: "Public Health in America"

❑ Core Functions of Public Health

- Assessment
- Policy development
- Assurance

❑ Purpose of Public Health

- Prevent epidemics and spread of disease
- Protect against environmental hazards
- Prevent injuries
- Promote and encourage healthy behaviors
- Respond to disasters and assist communities in recovery
- Assure the quality and accessibility of services

<http://iom.edu/Reports/1988/The-Future-of-Public-Health.aspx>

<http://www.health.gov/phfunctions/public.htm>

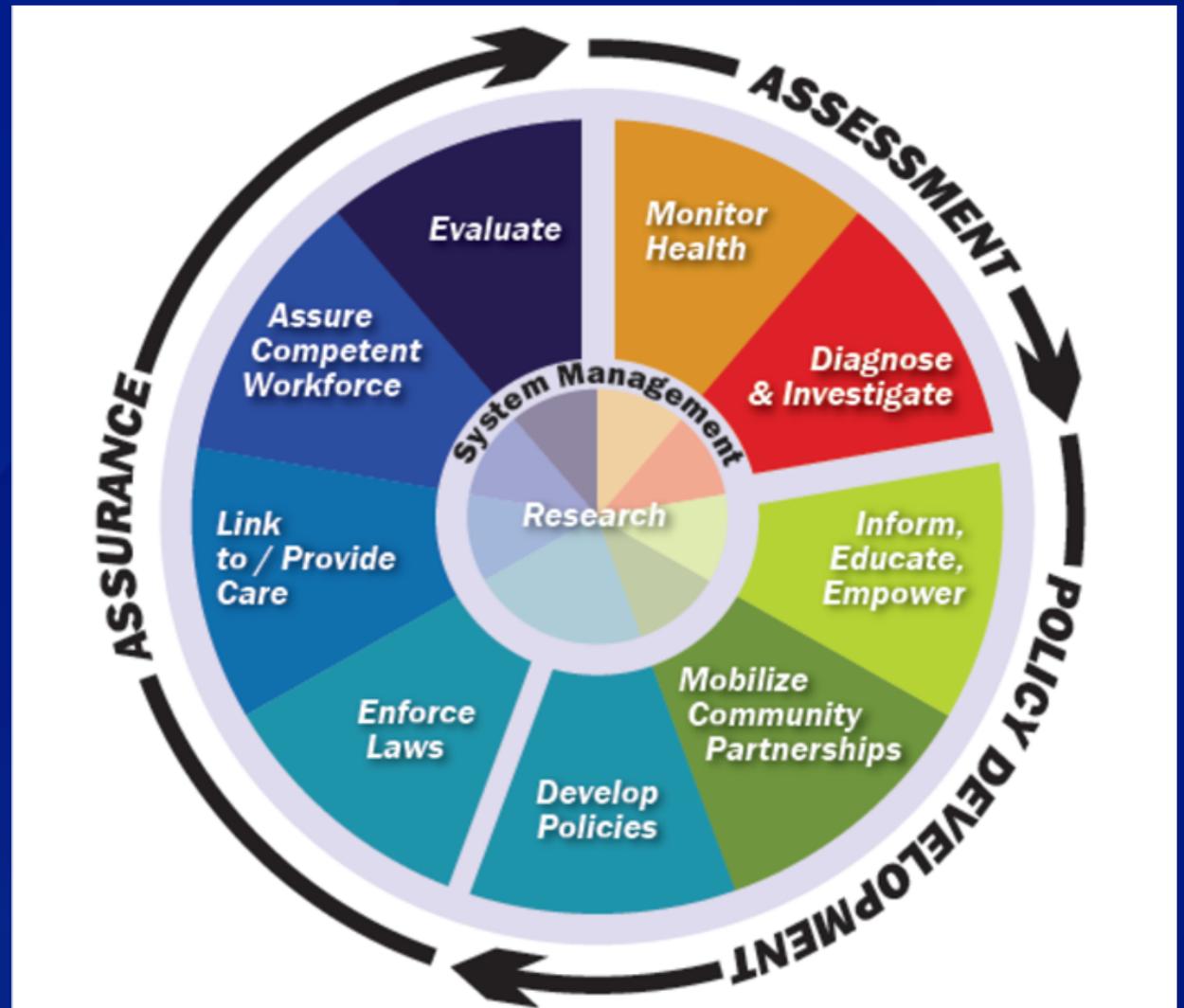
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1. **Monitor health status** to identify and solve community health problems
2. **Diagnose and investigate** health problems and health hazards in the community
3. **Inform, educate, and empower** people about health issues
4. **Mobilize community partnerships** to identify and solve health problems
5. **Develop policies and plans** that support individual and community health efforts

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6. **Enforce laws and regulations** that protect health and ensure safety
7. **Link people to needed personal health services** and assure the provision of health care when otherwise unavailable
8. **Assure a competent** public and personal health care workforce
9. **Evaluate** effectiveness, accessibility, and quality of personal and population-based health services
10. **Research** for new insights and innovative solutions to health problems

Essential Public Health Services



The 10 Essential Services as a Framework

- ❑ Provide a foundation for any public health activity
- ❑ Describe public health at the state, tribal, local, and territorial levels
- ❑ Used as a foundation for the National Public Health Performance Standards (NPHPS)
 - NPHPS provides a description of the essential service at an optimal level that public health systems can use to assess their performance
- ❑ Provided structure for national voluntary public health accreditation

<http://www.cdc.gov/nphpsp/>

<http://www.phaboard.org/accreditation-overview/what-is-accreditation/>

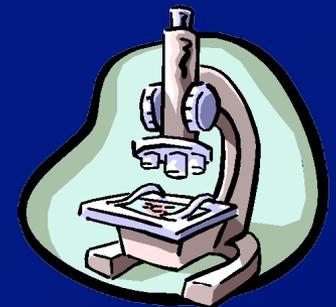
Essential Service (ES) 1 – Monitor Health to Identify and Solve Community Health Problems

- **Accurate, periodic assessment of the community's health status**
 - Identification of health risks
 - Attention to vital statistics and disparities
 - Identification of assets and resources
- **Use of methods and technology (e.g., mapping technology) to interpret and communicate data**
- **Maintenance of population health registries**



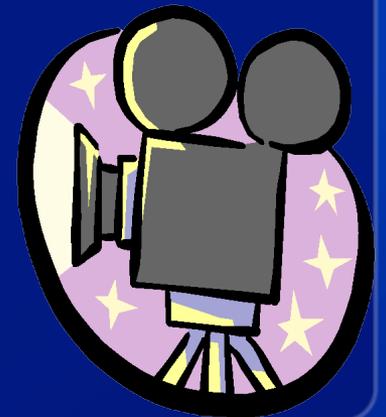
ES 2 – Diagnose and Investigate Health Problems and Hazards in the Community

- **Timely identification and investigation of health threats**
- **Availability of diagnostic services, including laboratory capacity**
- **Response plans to address major health threats**



ES 3 – Inform, Educate, and Empower People About Health Issues

- **Initiatives using health education and communication sciences to**
 - Build knowledge and shape attitudes
 - Inform decision-making choices
 - Develop skills and behaviors for healthy living
- **Health education and health promotion partnerships within the community to support healthy living**
- **Media advocacy and social marketing**



ES 4 – Mobilize Community Partnerships to Identify and Solve Health Problems

- **Constituency development**
- **Identification of system partners and stakeholders**
- **Coalition development**
- **Formal and informal partnerships to promote health improvement**

ES 5 – Develop Policies and Plans That Support Individual and Community Health Efforts

- Policy development to protect health and guide public health practice
- Community and state improvement planning
- Emergency response planning
- Alignment of resources to assure successful planning



ES 6 – Enforce Laws and Regulations That Protect Health and Ensure Safety

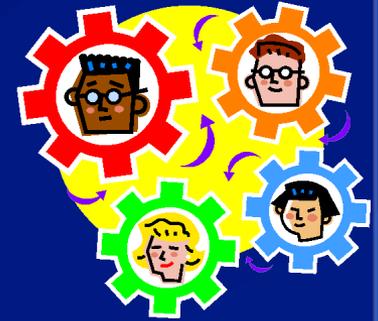


- **Review, evaluation, and revision of legal authority, laws, and regulations**
- **Education about laws and regulations**
- **Advocating for regulations needed to protect and promote health**
- **Support of compliance efforts and enforcement as needed**

ES 7 – Link People to Needed Personal Health Services and Assure the Provision of Health Care When Otherwise Unavailable

- **Identification of populations with barriers to care**
- **Effective entry into a coordinated system of clinical care**
- **Ongoing care management**
- **Culturally appropriate and targeted health information for at risk population groups**
- **Transportation and other enabling services**

ES 8 – Assure a Competent Public and Personal Healthcare Workforce



- Assessing the public health and personal health workforce
- Maintaining public health workforce standards
 - Efficient processes for licensing /credentialing requirements
 - Use of public health competencies
- Continuing education and life-long learning
 - Leadership development
 - Cultural competence

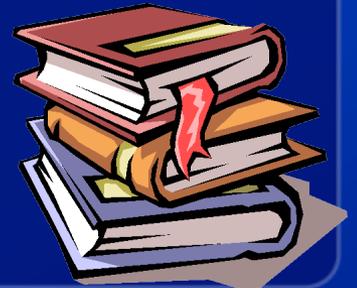
ES 9 – Evaluate Effectiveness, Accessibility, and Quality of Personal and Population-Based Health Services

- **Evaluation must be ongoing and should examine:**
 - Personal health services
 - Population based services
 - The public health system
- **Quality Improvement**
- **Performance Management**



ES 10 – Research for New Insights and Innovative Solutions to Health Problems

- **Identification and monitoring of innovative solutions and cutting-edge research to advance public health**
- **Linkages between public health practice and academic/research settings**
- **Epidemiological studies, health policy analyses and public health systems research**



For More Information

- 10 Essential Public Health Services and the Public Health in America Statement
www.health.gov/phfunctions/public.htm
- Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnerships
www.naccho.org/topics/infrastructure/mapp/index.cfm
- National Public Health Performance Standards
www.cdc.gov/nphpsp
- Public Health Accreditation Board
www.phaboard.org

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