

Prerequisites to Apply for Accreditation

Community Health Assessment
Participate in or conduct a collaborative process resulting in a comprehensive community health assessment
(Domain 1, Standard 1.1)

Health Improvement Plan
Conduct a comprehensive planning process resulting in a community health improvement plan
(Domain 5, Standard 5.2)

Department Strategic Plan
Develop and implement a health department organizational strategic plan
(Domain 5, Standard 5.3)

DEPARTMENT REVIEW BY PHAB 12 Accreditation Domains

- DOMAIN 1:** Conduct and disseminate assessments focused on population health status and public health issues facing the community
- DOMAIN 2:** Investigate health problems and environmental public health hazards to protect the community
- DOMAIN 3:** Inform and educate about public health issues and functions
- DOMAIN 4:** Engage with the community to identify and solve health problems
- DOMAIN 5:** Develop public health policies and plans
- DOMAIN 6:** Enforce public health laws and regulations
- DOMAIN 7:** Promote strategies to improve access to healthcare services
- DOMAIN 8:** Maintain a competent public health workforce
- DOMAIN 9:** Evaluate and continuously improve processes, programs, and interventions
- DOMAIN 10:** Contribute to and apply the evidence base of public health
- DOMAIN 11:** Maintain administrative and management capacity
- DOMAIN 12:** Build a strong and effective relationship with governing entity

Domain 9:
Standard 9.1: Use a Performance Management System
Standard 9.2: Develop and Implement Quality Improvement Processes

Performance Standards

- Identify relevant standards
- Select indicators
- Set goals and targets
- Communicate evidence

Performance Measures

- Redefine indicators & define measures
- Develop data systems
- Collect data

Performance Management System

Reporting of Progress

- Analyze data
- Feed data back to managers, staff, policy makers, and constituents
- Developing a regular reporting cycle

Quality Improvement Process

- Use data for decisions to improve policies, programs, and outcomes
- Manage changes
- Create a learning organization

Concept of continuous quality improvement is incorporated in the standards and measures and in the accreditation process