

Accreditation Project Update



Report to the Health Commission

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WHAT IS PUBLIC HEALTH ACCREDITATION?

- measurement of health department performance against a set of nationally recognized, practice-focused and evidence-based standards
- creation of a culture of continuous quality improvement



BENEFITS OF ACCREDITATION

- National recognition and credibility
- Means for accountability
- Identifies successes and opportunities for improvement
- Aids in development of a platform for culture of continuous quality improvement
- Energizes the staff
- Increases the understanding of public health



7 STEPS OF ACCREDITATION

- Step 1 – Pre-Application
- Step 2 – Application
- **Step 3 – Documentation Selection and Submission**
- Step 4 – Site Visit
- Step 5 – Accreditation Decision
- Step 6 – Reports
- Step 7 – Reaccreditation



We are Here



STEP 3: SUBMISSION

1. Documentation development

Illustrating “a day in the life” of PHD

Searching out documents that provide evidence of what we do

Annotating documents; drafting cover sheets, document titles and descriptions; reviewing for consistency

2. Gap analysis

Review of all proposed documentation by Susan Ramsey, Public Health Accreditation Site Visitor and Expert

Revision of proposed entry based on expert’s analysis and recommendations

Inclusion of missing examples

Final agreement on documents to be used

3. SUBMISSION



WHAT'S NEXT

(We submitted March 11, 2016)

- ↳ PHAB Specialist reviews our submission, sends Completeness Review (1 to 2 months)
- ↳ DPH responds to Completeness Review (up to 30 days)
 - ↳ List of potential Site Visitors sent for vetting; PHAB finalizes Team
 - ↳ Site Visit Team reviews our submission, requests additional information (8 to 10 weeks)
 - ↳ DPH responds to Site Visit Team questions (up to 30 days)

Site Visit

2016 PROJECTED CALENDAR

Date	Deliverable	Party Responsible	Decider	Current Status
March 11, 2016	Submit Documentation to PHAB	Karen Pierce	Tomás Aragón	Completed 3/11/16
Mid- April	Receive Completeness Review from PHAB Specialist	Karen Pierce		
Mid- April to mid-May	DPH responds to the Completeness Review; reviews list of potential Site Visitors	Karen Pierce	Tomás Aragón	
Early June	Mock Site Visit with PHAB Specialist	Karen Pierce		
June to mid-August	Site Visit Team review of submitted documents			
August to September	DPH responds to Site Visit Team questions and requests	Karen Pierce	Tomás Aragón	
Early October	Site Visit	Karen Pierce		



Thank you and Questions?

