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
**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**
(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

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<td>Submit Documentation to PHAB</td>
<td>Karen Pierce</td>
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<td>Receive Completeness Review from PHAB Specialist</td>
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