

Maine CDC Reaccreditation SCC – Advisory Committee March 21, 2023

Standards & Measures for **Reaccreditation** Version 2022

The logo for the Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB). It features a stylized 'P' icon composed of two overlapping shapes, one green and one blue, followed by the letters 'PHAB' in a bold, blue, sans-serif font.

PHAB

Adopted February 2022



Accreditation Background

- The Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB) accredits both state and local health departments.
- Maine CDC received Accreditation in 2016.
- We have received two extensions of reaccreditation due to the pandemic and updated Standards and Measures
- We are seeking reaccreditation under Version 2022 (the latest)
- There are 20 standards and 60 measures over 10 domains.
- Each domain represents an Essential Public Health Service.

Initial Steps taken in 2023

- Maine CDC teams created
 - Accreditation Champions group
 - 10 Domain teams
 - Monthly meetings with SMT
 - Peer support from Portland and Bangor and from other New England states
 - Temp staff - Accreditation Associate
- Internal Assessment
 - Completed in August 2023
 - 128 Required Documents
 - 77 possible policies, processes or examples identified
 - 51 required documents incomplete or unknown

Progress thus far in 2024

- Application submitted to PHAB
 - Accepted Jan 3
 - Six months to submit Documentation
 - Due July 3
- Domain Teams work
 - Meeting monthly
 - 128 Required Documents
 - 49 documents completed
 - 35 documents selected and documentation being finalized
 - 22 possible policies, processes or examples identified
 - 22 required documents incomplete or unknown

Planning Documents

- State Health Assessment:
 - Using 2023 Maine Shared Community Health Needs Assessment
- Strategic Plan:
 - Complete and being implemented
- State Health Improvement Plan:
 - Goals and objectives established; text is being drafted
- All Hazards Emergency Preparedness Plan:
 - Revisions in progress
- Quality Improvement Plan
 - Completed; implementation not yet started
- Workforce Development Plan
 - drafted, under review
- Performance Management System
 - in progress

State Health Improvement Plan

Progress to date

- Framework developed in late 2023
- Priority areas finalized in early January 2024
- All day planning session January 31, 2024
- Participants reviewed results.
 - Comments accepted through March 15.
- Final version of goals, objectives and strategies is coming soon.
 - This will be shared with the SCC and other key stakeholders, and will be posted for public comment.

SHIP Priority Areas and Goals

- **Mental Health:**
 - Maine has an inclusive and equitable culture of mental health, resiliency, and wellness for all.
- **Healthy and Stable Housing**
 - Maine has housing that equitably meets the diverse needs of all.
- **Access to Care**
 - Maine is a place where all people have equitable access to care that promotes health and well-being.
- **Substance Use**
 - All people living in Maine thrive in a healing, supportive environment that addresses substance use, from prevention to recovery, and its impacts on individuals, families, and communities.

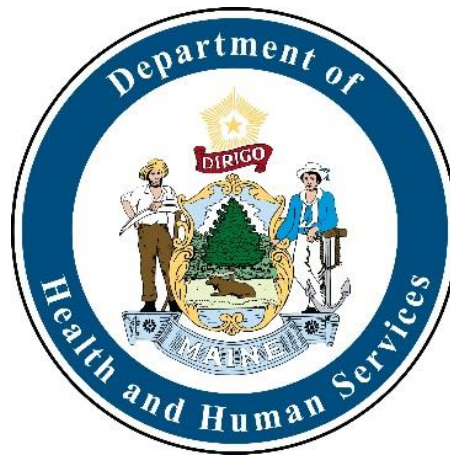
Reaccreditation Next Steps

- Finalize plans and documents
 - Some domain Teams are adding extra meetings
 - Senior Management is also reviewing the plans and providing further input on some other documents
 - GOAL: >95% documentation complete by April 30.
- Review
 - Peer Review: Maine CDC staff members will review against the standards – fresh set of eyes!
 - Senior Management Review – final sign off prior to uploading to ePHAB
 - >90% completed by May 31
- Submission
- Feedback from PHAB in July or August
 - 445 days to provide responses to questions
- Virtual site visit
 - Late 2024 or early 2025.

Challenges

- A few policies and processes have not been formally updated since Initial Accreditation.
- Current timeline for the SHIP to be finalized is June 21.

Preventive Health and Health Services
Block Grant
SCC – Advisory Committee
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Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant Background

The PHHS Block Grant (Block Grant) provides:

- “Critically needed, flexible funding”
- “To address the unique preventative health needs”
- Linked to Healthy People 2020/2030 objectives
- Non-competitive allocation to each state, plus territories and DC.
 - This year “F2023”: \$ 1,388,395
 - Next year “F2024”: unknown

Note that this is a two-year grant and funding is spent in the second year.

F2022 Update

- Final Annual Progress Report (Oct 2023-Jan 2024)
 - Submitted in December 2023.
 - Met final targets for four goals:
 - Informatics
 - Continuing to maintain existing and creating new informatics tools on our Tableau platform.
 - Continuing to work on enhancements to our health equity data.
 - Supported an assessment of the use of death files and recommendations to better governance and streamlining.

F2022 Update (continued)

- Final Annual Progress Report (Oct 2023-Jan 2024)
 - Met final targets for objectives under four goals :
 - Accreditation:
 - Performance Improvement: established new measures based on Maine CDC's Strategic Plan.
 - District Public Health Improvement:
 - Continued support for the Council Coordinators; completed LPHSAs
 - Sexual assault prevention:
 - Exceeded the number of students reached in the Western District.

F2022 Update (continued)

- Final Annual Progress Report (Oct 2023-Jan 2024)
 - Did not meet final targets some objective under two goals:
 - Accreditation:
 - Delayed start to reaccreditation documentation
 - New Workforce Development Plan not completed
 - Both due to staff vacancies
 - Shifted funding to Informatics goal.
 - Sexual assault response:
 - Requests for support still not up to pre-COVID levels,
 - Staff turn-over limited outreach.

F2023 Review

- Changes from F2022 due to new Infrastructure Grant:
 - District Support increased
 - Previously there were 3 contracted positions
 - Now we have 8 Maine CDC staff positions
 - Now funded under new grant
 - Workforce activities and SHIP also moved to new grant.
 - Still including funds for
 - Accreditation
 - Informatics & epidemiology
 - Sexual assault prevention and response

F2023 Update

- Interim Annual Progress Report (Oct 2023-Jan 2024)
 - Plan submitted in July 2023; not yet revised.
 - Met interim targets in two areas :
 - Performance Improvement.
 - Established new internal measures as part of our strategic plan, further development is on-going.
 - Informatics
 - Continuing to maintain existing and creating new informatics tools on our Tableau platform.
 - Continuing to work on enhancements to our health equity data.

F2023 Update (continued)

- Interim Annual Progress Report (Oct 2023-Jan 2024)
 - Did not meet interim targets in several areas :
 - Accreditation Maintenance
 - Reaccreditation efforts delayed, but are now back on track
 - Sexual violence prevention and support
 - Support for victim of sexual assault – requests for support still slightly below pre-COVID levels, still filling vacancies.
 - Ongoing outreach should allow us to reach annual target.

F2023 Revisions

- Continued staff vacancies – shifting funding from personnel to contracts.
 - Continuing the same activities.
- More specifics to come.
 - If we determine that we need to shift funding significantly, we will request a review and vote via email

F2024 Planning - Considerations

- Continuing to blend and braid Infrastructure Grant resources and the PHHS BG
- Top priorities for PHHS BG continue to be:
 - Accreditation
 - Informatics and Epidemiology
 - Sexual Assault Prevention and Response (required)
- NEW proposed program area: Injury and violence prevention
 - Proposal includes three staff positions

F2023 Planning – Next Steps

- Waiting for allocation
- Budget and workplan finalization
- Further communication with the SCC
- Public hearing (likely to be held in May or June)
- Workplan will be due July 1.

Questions?

Comments?

Suggestions?