Pathway to Pathways Recognition

An Overview of the Montana Pathways Learning Collaborative

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Learning Objectives

By the end of this session, participants will be able to…

1. Describe the core components / requirements of PHAB's Pathways Recognition program.
2. Describe opportunities for incorporating PHAB's standards & measures into health department operations.
3. Describe lessons learned and key takeaways from health departments currently participating in the Pathways Learning Collaborative.

Background

- Since 2015, DPHHS PHSD, in partnership with the Montana Healthcare Foundation, has provided funding opportunities for local & tribal health departments to complete CHAs, CHIPs, SPs, and more
- 8 Montana health departments are currently accredited / re-accredited (7 local + 1 state)
- PHAB accreditation can feel unattainable for some smaller, rural health departments
- In summer 2022, PHAB announced Pathways Recognition…

Two Tracks:

1) Services and Partnerships

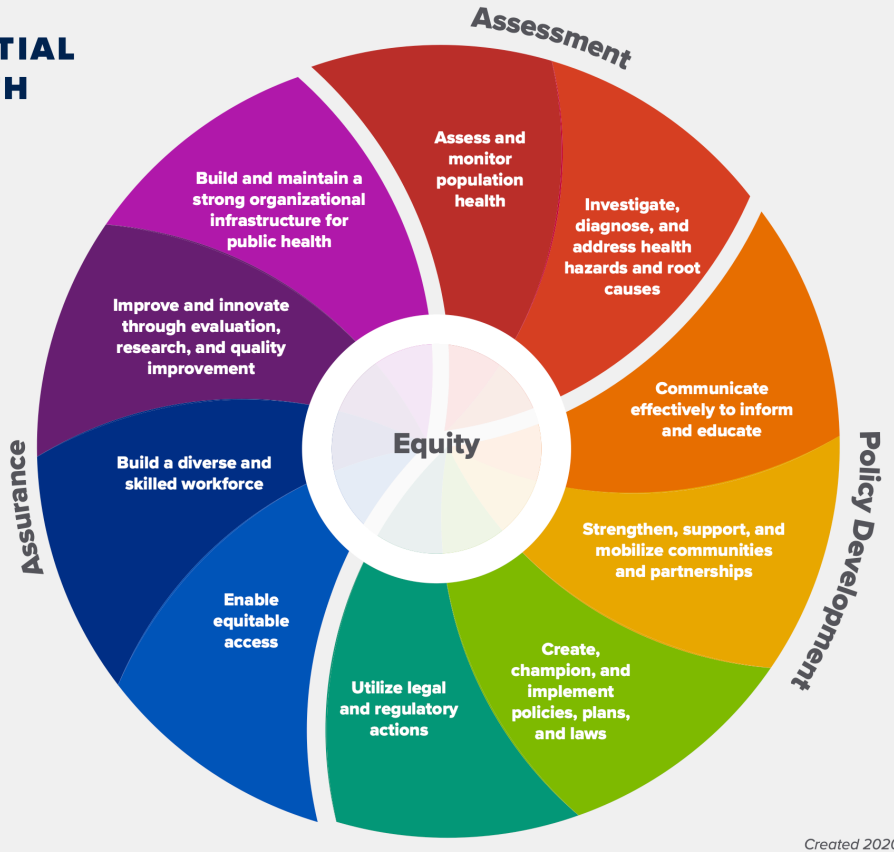
2) Health Department Systems

*Health departments can apply for one or both tracks, but must complete both to earn Pathways Recognition

THE 10 ESSENTIAL PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES

To protect and promote the health of all people in all communities

The 10 Essential Public Health Services provide a framework for public health to protect and promote the health of all people in all communities. To achieve optimal health for all, the Essential Public Health Services actively promote policies, systems, and services that enable good health and seek to remove obstacles and systemic and structural barriers, such as poverty, racism, gender discrimination, and other forms of oppression, that have resulted in health inequities. Everyone should have a fair and just opportunity to achieve good health and well-being.



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Foundational Public Health Services

Foundational Areas

Community-specific Services

- Communicable Disease Control
- Chronic Disease & Injury Prevention
- Environmental Public Health
- Maternal, Child, & Family Health
- Access to & Linkage with Clinical Care

Foundational Capabilities

Assessment & Surveillance	Community Partnership Development	Equity	Organizational Competencies
Policy Development & Support	Accountability & Performance Management	Emergency Preparedness & Response	Communications

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When you look at the possibilities instead of the problems, the future is filled with endless opportunities.
Zig Ziglar
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Program Outline

Montana Pathways Learning Collaborative

- Facilitated by PHSIO and MTPHI
- Two-year program with monthly virtual calls and 2-3 in-person meetings per year
- Participating health departments receive $30,000 / year ($60,000 total)
- Deliverable style task order – participating in meetings, draft documentation, other activities
- Cohort-style approach – health departments are learning and collaborating with their peers

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- 2023 – 2025 group = 6 health departments (Lincoln, CSKT, Mineral, Beaverhead, Park, and Butte-Silver Bow)
- Facilitated review of the Standards & Measures to identify areas where health departments may need support in order to meet measure requirements
- Using Connected Community to share tools, documents, templates, etc. and promote peer-learning amongst participating health departments

Benefits

- Identifying training opportunities relevant to MT health departments
- Developing a library of resources
- Leveraging Pathways to build health department capacity to address community needs (e.g., behavioral health)
- Building momentum and confidence among other health departments
- Statewide readiness assessment through PHAB (to provide a state-level report on strengths and oppportunites)
- *In progress: using state-level documentation that applies to local and tribal health departments*

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Panel Discussion

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- Sue Hansen – Beaverhead County Health Department
- Kris Murphy – CSKT Tribal Health
- Jenn McCully – Lincoln County Health Department

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Next Steps

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The PHSIO provides:

- Grant funding and TA for CHAs, CHIPs, strategic plans, and more
- Training and professional development
- Assistance with software implementation, program effectiveness, and more

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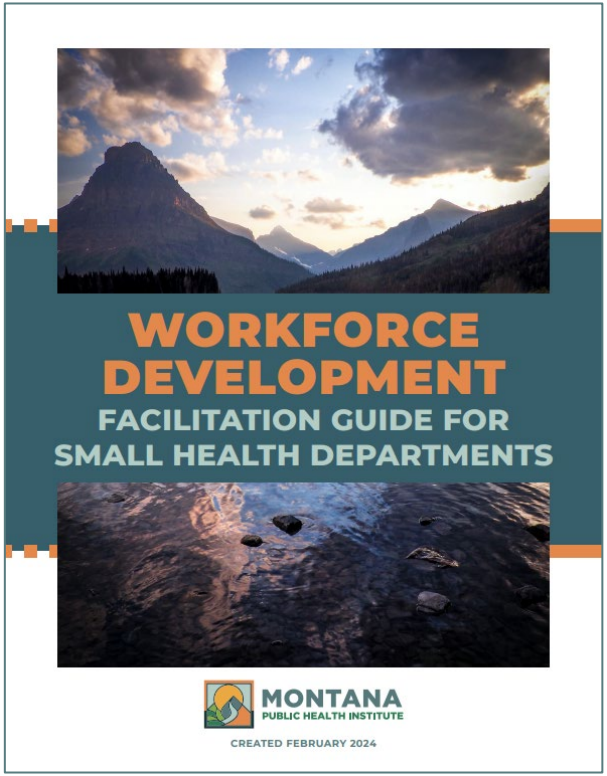

Interested in creating a WFD plan?
MTPHI is looking for health departments to test a tailored approach to WFD assessment and planning for small health departments.

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Scan to apply for the 2025 – 2027 MT Pathways Learning Collaborative

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Resources

- Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB)
- Pathways Recognition Program
- The Foundational Public Health Services
- Building Healthy Systems (PHSIO)
- Montana Public Health Institute (MTPHI)
- CHA & CHIP Library (MHCF)