Local (District) Public Health System Assessment

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Background

- Opening Discussions: December 2019 SCC Meeting.
- Planned In-Person Meetings in Spring/Summer 2020.
- COVID-19 Postponed Progress and Suggested Different Model.
- Created and tested virtual platform for State Public Health System Assessment, conducted in August 2021.
- Assesses ten essential public health services.
- Utilized national assessment instrument developed and tested by National Public Health Performance Standards.

Ten Essential Public Health Services

Essential Public Health Services (1994)

- 1. Monitor Health Status.
- 2. Diagnose and Investigate
- 3. Inform and Educate
- 4. Mobilize Partnerships
- 5. Develop Policies and Plans
- 6. Enforce Laws and Regulations
- 7. Link People to Needed Services
- 8. Assure Competent Workforce
- 9. Evaluate Health Services
- 10. Research for New Insights

Essential Public Health Services (2020)

- 1. Monitor Health Status (and factors influencing health)
- 2. Diagnose and Investigate
- 3. Communicate Effectively (Improve) health
- 4. Strengthen and Mobilize Partnerships (and Communities)
- 5. Create/Champion/Implement Policies and Plans
- 6. Use legal/regulatory actions to improve health
- 7. Assure effective system that is equitable.
- 8. Build/Support Skilled and Diverse Workforce
- 9. Improve and innovate public health functions through evaluation, research, and QI.
- 10. Build and maintain a strong organizations infrastructure for public health.

LPHSA Instrument V3.0 (based on 1994 EPHS)

- LPHSA is part of the Mobilizing for Planning and Partnership (MAPP) process
- One of four assessments where the results are integrated and synthesized into a community health improvement plan.
- LPHSA Instrument matches well to the SPHSA Instrument (SPHSA is not part of MAPP).
- New MAPP process is just being rolled out in Fall 2022.
 - New LPHSA is totally different and combines other assessments and strategies.
- Some discussion with National Association of City and County Health Officials (NACCHO) regarding a pilot of new MAPP in 2023 (potentially one district would pilot it).

Virtual Model

- Specific Sector Experts Invited to Specific EPHS.
- Invited Participants asked to review standards pre-session.
- Use zoom platform functionality
 - Polls for consensus voting on questions
 - Chat and Closed Caption Transcript for collecting comments
 - Recording of Session
- Use Ideaboardz for facilitating Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Priorities (SWOP)
- Options for Facilitation
 - Ten EPHS two-hour sessions per eight districts (80 sessions)
 - Five Combined EPHS two-and-one-half hour sessions per eight districts (40 sessions)

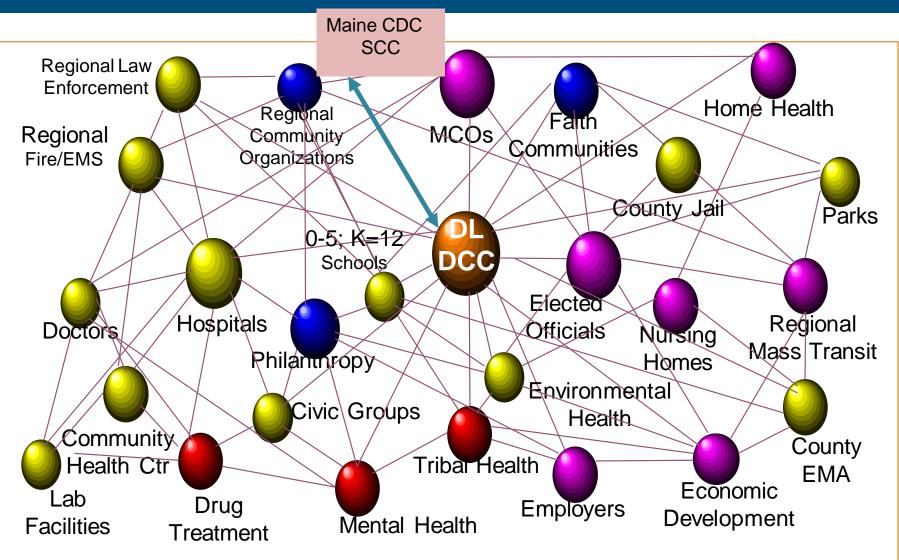
Schedule

Date	EPHS Covered	
Week of September 26	1 and 9	
Week of October 3	2 and 6	
Week of October 17	3 and 5	
Week of October 31	4 and 10	
Week of November 14	7 and 8	

Day/Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:00 – 11:30 am		Western	Penquis	Central	Downeast
1:00 – 3:30 pm	Midcoast	York	Aroostook	Cumberland	

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Assessment Voting

- Consensus-building process
- Based on Optimal Performance

Optimal Activity (76–100%)	Greater than 75% of the activity described within the question is met.
Significant Activity (51–75%)	Greater than 50% but no more than 75% of the activity described within the question is met.
Moderate Activity (26–50%)	Greater than 25% but no more than 50% of the activity described within the question is met.
Minimal Activity (1–25%)	Greater than zero but no more than 25% of the activity described within the question is met.
No Activity (0%)	0% or absolutely no activity.

Organization for LPHSA

- Planning Committee
 - Stacy Boucher, Adam Hartwig, Drexell White, James Markiewicz, Andy Finch, and Al May
- Facilitation Team
 - MCD Staff: Valerie Jackson, Denise Delorie, and Joe Demartin
 - Council Coordinators: Meghan Richards and Emilee Winn
 - Maine CDC: Stacy Boucher and Al May

Questions?

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Thank You

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