MHOA Lunch & Learn: Accreditation Costs & Funding

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Cambridge Public Health Department

Today's Objectives

By the end of today's webinar, attendees will:

- Understand the direct and indirect costs of PHAB accreditation
- Collaboratively build a funding resource list to share among interested health departments

Stay Tuned!

• August 1: Collaboration



Webinar 1 Recap: Accreditation Overview

- PHAB is a voluntary accreditation process for health departments that demonstrate a culture of *high performance* and *continuous quality improvement*
- The *10 Essential Public Health Services* and the *Foundational Public Health Services* are the backbone of the accreditation requirements
- Becoming accredited involves *documentation submission* and a *site visit*
- *Diverse accreditation teams* are essential the success of the accreditation process
- <u>Conducting a readiness audit is key to prioritizing resource</u> <u>allocation</u>



Direct Costs of Accreditation

Through June 30, 2023-Subject to Change

- **Readiness & Training Fee:** \$1,299
 - Helps health departments assess their accreditation readiness and provide education on the accreditation process.
 - \circ \quad A copy of the official Standards & Measures
 - Access to the Learning Center for required training
 - \circ \quad A live training for the accreditation coordinator
 - $\circ \quad \ \ {\rm Access \ to \ the \ readiness \ assessment}$
 - An assigned accreditation specialist
 - \$500 credit toward the first-year fee or other PHAB product
- Annual Fee: \$5,600-\$22,400 based on jurisdiction size
 Supports the ongoing process of the health department as it goes through the accreditation lifecycle



Annual Fee

Health Department Category	Annual Fee
Category 1: <100,000 residents	\$5,600
Category 2: >100,000-500,000	\$8,400
Category 3: >500,000-1,000,000	\$11,200
Category 4: <1,000,000-5,000,000	\$14,000
Category 5: >5,000,000	\$22,400

- Fee for a regional coalition
- Payment flexibility



Pathways Recognition Program

- A program designed to support performance improvement efforts, strengthen infrastructure, and facilitate public health system transformation for health departments *not yet ready for accreditation*
- Can *facilitate accreditation readiness* for eligible health departments intending to use the program as a step toward accreditation
- **34 measures** based on the Foundational Capability measures in the PHAB Initial Accreditation Standards divided into two tracks (can apply for one or both tracks, but must complete both to be recognized):
 - Services & Partnerships (Domains 1-7)
 - Health Department Systems (Domains 8-10)
- Fees: \$1,299 Readiness & Training Fee and \$3,050 fee per track
 Discount offered for initial accreditation for health departments that apply within two years of achieving Pathways recognition



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Indirect Costs of Accreditation

Note: You do not <u>NEED</u> to spend money to accomplish these requirements!

• Salaries

- Accreditation Coordinator
- Data Analysts
- Inspectors
- Community Health Improvement Program Staff
- Operational Roles (communications, fiscal, policy, etc.)

• Strategic Plan Assessment, Development, and Implementation Support

- Community Health Assessment/Community Health Improvement Plan
- Strategic Plan
- Workforce Development Plan
- Quality Improvement Plan
- Emergency Operations Plan
- Risk Communications Plan

• Additional Requirements

- Data Collection/Analysis and Program Evaluation
- Policy/Procedure Development
- Training/Professional Development Opportunities



Sources of Funding

Note: Most sources of funding will NOT be explicitly PHAB-related. This is where your readiness audit comes in!

- Federal
 - Grants.gov (CDC, etc.)
 - <u>Health Resources & Services Administration</u> (HRSA)
 - <u>Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration</u> (SAMHSA)
- Local
 - <u>MA Community Health & Healthy Aging Funds</u> (CHHA)
 - <u>Mass in Motion</u>
 - <u>MA Public Health Excellence Shared Services Grant</u>

• Nonprofits/Foundations

- <u>Robert Wood Johnson Foundation</u> (four current: equity, data access)
- MA Blue Cross Blue Shield Foundation (current: Catalyst Fund, Special Initiatives)
- <u>De Beaumont Foundation</u>
- <u>NACCHO</u> (two current: STIs)
 - Strong Systems, Stronger Communities



Free/Low-Cost Resources

- National Network of Public Health Institutes (NNPHI)
 - o <u>phPIN</u>
 - Training opportunities

• **<u>Public Health Foundation</u>** (PHF)

- <u>Training</u> in performance management, quality improvement, and workforce development
- <u>TRAIN Learning Network</u>
- <u>Academic Health Department Learning Community</u>
- <u>Core Competency Assessment</u>

• <u>NACCHO</u>

- <u>Roadmap to a Culture of Quality Improvement</u>
- <u>Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnerships</u> (MAPP)
- <u>Project Public Health Ready</u> (PPHR)
- <u>Regional Public Health Training Centers</u>
- Local Community Health Network Areas (CHNA)



Webinar Attendee Submissions

- <u>FEMA Continuous Improvement</u>
- <u>UDS Mapper</u>
- <u>National Fire Protection Association</u>
- <u>Conservation BioMap</u>
- <u>BME Strategies</u>
- <u>Metropolitan Area Planning Council</u>
- Health Resources in Action
- <u>ISI</u>
- <u>MA Population Health Information Tool</u>
- <u>MySidewalk</u>



Questions?

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