

CHAPS

Assessment & planning: Colorado Health Assessment and Planning System (CHAPS) and the Colorado Public Health Act of 2008 requirements



Colorado Public Health Act of 2008 SB 08-194

Stakeholder engagement:

25-1-505, 2, (d)(e)
Involvement of community stakeholders to inform the process, plan and implementation of public health improvement activities is a best practice in the public health field. The Act recognizes this and requires that representatives of the local community develop and implement the local plan.

Community Health Assessment:

25-1-505, 2, (a)
The local public health improvement plan should examine data about health status and risk factors in the local community.

Capacity Assessment:

25-1-505, 2, (b)
The local public health improvement plan should include an assessment of the capacity and performance of the county or district public health system.

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Phase V: Prioritize

- Step 1: Use assessment results to identify 5-10 issues
- Step 2: Identify potential strategies to address each issue
- Step 3: Develop an issue summary
- Step 4: Identify and engage stakeholders
- Step 5: Plan the prioritization process
- Step 6: Facilitate meeting(s) to determine public health improvement plan focus areas

Phase VI: Develop the plan (PHIP)

- Step 1: Review your community health assessment, current priorities, past PHIPs and the state public health improvement plan and priorities
- Step 2: Determine the purpose(s) and audiences of your PHIP
- Step 3: Develop a planning process that includes key stakeholders
- Step 4: Hold facilitated planning meetings
- Step 5: Develop action plans/ work plans for each priority issue
- Step 6: Draft the local public health improvement plan
- Step 7: Submit the public health improvement plan
- Step 8: Disseminate the public health improvement plan

Phase VII: Implement, promote and monitor

- Step 1: Determine organizational structure and process for implementing, evaluating and communicating the work
- Step 2: Review and refine your action plan(s)
- Step 3: Prepare for implementation
- Step 4: Prepare for evaluation
- Step 5: Make mid-course corrections based on evaluation results
- Step 6: Develop a plan to communicate about implementation and evaluation

Phase VIII: Inform the state plan

- Step 1: Share local/regional PHIP content with statewide partners (through plan submission, reporting and collaboration).
- Step 2: Participate in statewide public health improvement opportunities.
- Step 3: Communicate with stakeholders about the statewide plan.

Prioritization Phase:

25-1-505, 2, (c)

The comprehensive statewide public health improvement plan should incorporate local public health goals and priorities. Standard criteria have been developed for use at the local level to ensure consistency in setting priorities for Colorado's public health system.

Local Public Health Plan:

25-1-505, 2, (a-e)

The local public health plan should be consistent with the statewide public health improvement plan and meet the minimum requirements detailed in the Act.

- Examine data about health status and risk factors in the local community.
- Assess the capacity and performance of the county or district public health system.
- Identify goals and strategies for improving the health of the local community.
- Describe how representatives of the local community develop and implement the local plan.
- Address how county or district public health agencies coordinate with the state department and others within the public health system to accomplish goals and priorities identified in the comprehensive, statewide public health improvement plan.
- Identify financial resources available to meet identified public health needs and requirements for the provision of core public health services.

Local Board of Health

review: 25-1-506, 3, (b)(l)

The local public health plan shall be submitted to the local board of health for review.

Inform and participate in Statewide Plan:

25-1-505 (1)

The Act requires the development and implementation of a comprehensive statewide improvement plan every five years in consultation with the state Board of Health, the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, local public health agencies and their partners in the public health system. This includes incorporating goals and priorities of public health plans developed by local public health agencies.

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