The mission of the Center for State, Tribal, Local, and Territorial Support (CSTLTS) is to advance U.S. public health agency and system performance, capacity, agility, and resilience. To carry out its mission, CSTLTS: (1) establishes and maintains effective relationships, partnerships, and alliances with strategic organizational elements of the public health system; (2) increases coordination among federal and state, tribal, local, and territorial (STLT) health agencies to develop more highly functioning organizations and enable evidence-based programs, policies, and decision making; (3) provides CDC-wide guidance and strategic direction on activities related to STLT health agencies; (4) provides leadership, support, tools, and data for improving the capability and performance of public health agencies through national standards, accreditation, and other evidence-based approaches for agency and system management, evolution, and transformation; (5) provides CDC-wide leadership, support, and tools for enhancing and implementing communication between STLT organizations and other external stakeholders; (6) provides guidance, strategic direction, oversight and support for science and applied research-related activities in support of STLT agencies and public health system performance; (7) forecasts emerging opportunities and challenges to governmental public health agencies/systems and collaborates to prioritize, develop and pre-position essential resources for optimal agency and systems response; (8) provides guidance and leadership in the development and provision of training and cross-learning opportunities to and with STLT health partners; (9) provides guidance and support for recruitment, development, and placement of CDC field staff for STLT agencies; (10) provides agency-wide leadership and support related to CDC field staff and project officers; (11) develops and coordinates cross-agency guidance to improve grants administration and management; (12) coordinates the assessment and development of solutions to improve technical assistance and service delivery; (13) enhances public health policy, law, and practice through shared leadership, communication, collaboration, training, and coordination with STLT agencies; and (14) provides agency-wide leadership and support to improve the public health system and service delivery in U.S. Insular Areas. (Approved 8/17/2018; Effective 9/25/2018)

Office of the Director (CBD1)

(1) Manages, directs, and coordinates the policy, strategy, operations, and fiscal activities of CSTLTS; (2) coordinates cross-cutting CDC activities related to STLT components of the public health system; (3) works with federal and STLT agencies, CDC programs, partners, and other stakeholders to develop more highly functioning organizations and to enable evidence-based policy and decision making; (4) provides leadership in the development and implementation of evidence-based approaches for system management, evolution, and transformation; (5) facilitates STLT agency access to and interaction with CDC information and expertise; (6) provides guidance, strategic direction, and oversight for the investment of CSTLTS resources and assets; (7) establishes and maintains productive relationships, partnerships, and alliances with strategic organizational components of the public health system; (8) serves as a principal CDC liaison to other federal agencies and organizations concerning STLT agencies and governments; (9) develops, implements, and leads strategies to enhance communication between CSTLTS, CDC programs, STLT agencies and organizations, and other external stakeholders; (10) manages CSTLTS communication policies, channels,
products, and activities; (11) provides guidance, strategic direction, and oversight for science and applied research-related activities within CSTLTS, for other CDC programs, and in support of STLT agencies and public health system performance; (12) provides guidance on policy, performance, legislative issues, and long term strategies for program development and implementation; (13) responds to or coordinates responses to executive, congressional, departmental, CDC/CIO and other external requests for information; (14) responds to or coordinates the response to issues management tasks and clearance activities for CSTLTS; and (15) leads and participates in cross-cutting strategic planning, performance management, and policy activities. (Approved 8/17/2018; Effective 9/25/2018)

Office of Public Health Law Services (CBD12)

(1) Provides support and consultation for, and access to, public health law expertise at STLT public health levels; (2) conducts legal epidemiology studies that collect, analyze, and disseminate information about existing STLT laws that impact public health; (3) develops competency based, practical, law-centered tools and trainings for practitioners and policy makers at STLT levels; (4) provides competency based trainings to STLT public health practitioners focusing on legal issues impacting health outcomes; (5) engages national and STLT public health partners to identify legal priorities impacting practice; and (6) provides consultation and technical assistance to CDC programs and partners. (Approved 8/17/2018; Effective 9/25/2018)

Office of Tribal Affairs and Strategic Alliances (CBD13)

(1) Develops and disseminates tribal public health strategies, policies, programs, and system improvements; (2) establishes partnerships and provides technical assistance to CDC programs and external partners (3) enhances government-to-government relationships through policy and consultation with tribal nations; and (4) supports implementation of culturally responsive and traditional practices through evidence- and practice-based models. (Approved 8/17/2018; Effective 9/25/2018)

Office of Insular Affairs (CBD14)

(1) Develops and disseminates public health strategies, policies, programs, and system improvements for the U.S. Insular Areas, which include U.S. territories and independent nations that have signed a Compact of Free Association with the United States; (2) establishes partnerships and provides technical assistance and support to CDC programs and external partners in or working with insular areas; (3) enhances working relationships through collaboration and consultation with insular area governments and federal agencies working in the region; and (4) supports implementation of culturally responsive and traditional practices for improving health through evidence- and practice-based models. (Approved 8/17/2018; Effective 9/25/2018)

Division of Performance Improvement and Field Services (CBDB)

The mission of the Division of Performance Improvement and Field Services (DPIFS) is to advance U.S. public health agency and system performance to better serve and protect the
public’s health. In carrying out its mission, DPIFS: (1) coordinates among federal, state, and local partners to promote continuous quality improvement of STLT agency processes, programs and services; (2) supports the national accreditation program and advances STLT agency readiness to meet national standards and achieve accreditation; (3) conducts planning, assessment, and evaluation activities to identify improvement opportunities in public health agency and systems structure, operations, and performance; (4) develops and disseminates evidence of successful agency and system improvement strategies; (5) advances the professional development and capability of the public health workforce; (6) supports collaboration and coordination among healthcare, social services, and public health to improve population health outcomes; and (7) provides technical and programmatic leadership on public health practice and performance for CSTLTS, CDC, national partners, and the field. (Approved 8/17/2018; Effective 9/25/2018)

Office of the Director (CBDB1)

(1) Manages, directs and leads division operations, policies, programs and scientific activities; (2) supports and promotes use of national accreditation and other standards to improve public health performance, quality, and service delivery; (3) forecasts emerging opportunities and challenges to governmental public health agencies and systems; (4) coordinates with federal, STLT agencies, and CDC programs to implement cross-cutting evidence-based approaches to improve public health agency and system performance; (5) provides leadership over periodic assessments of STLT agency and system needs; and (6) provides agency wide leadership and coordination to strengthen public health infrastructure and advance the integration of public health, healthcare, social services, and other sectors. (Approved 8/17/2018; Effective 9/25/2018)

Performance Development, Evaluation, and Training Branch (CBDBB)

(1) Supports the prioritization and development of tools, resources, standards, and practices to strengthen operational performance and capability of STLT health departments with special emphasis on quality improvement, performance management, evaluation, and community assessment and planning; (2) assesses, evaluates, and continuously improves public health programs, processes, and systems for greater efficiency, effectiveness and health outcomes; (4) identifies and addresses emerging opportunities and challenges to governmental public health agencies and systems; and (5) provides technical assistance, training, consultation, and cross-learning opportunities to STLT health departments. (Approved 8/17/2018; Effective 9/25/2018)

Field Services Branch (CBDBC)

(1) Coordinates across CDC and STLT health agencies to support temporary and ongoing placement of CDC field staff within STLT public health agencies as needed; (2) leads and manages the Public Health Associate Program; (3) tracks, assesses, and reports on the demographics and needs of CDC field staff and project officers; and (4) develops and disseminates information and tools to support project officers and field staff. (Approved 8/17/2018; Effective 9/25/2018)
Division of Program and Partnership Services (CBDC)

The mission of the Division of Program and Partnership Services (DPPS) is to build and improve the capacity and performance of the public health system through national partnerships and national grant programs for building and improving STLT public health capacity, performance, and service. In carrying out its mission, DPPS: (1) facilitates connections and collaborations among CDC programs, other HHS agencies, and national partners to advance public health goals; (2) develops, maintains, and manages agency-wide national partner cooperative agreement mechanisms to build and improve public health capacity and performance of STLT agencies and the public health system; (3) provides leadership and consultation to CDC regarding developing, evaluating, and improving national partnership cooperative agreements; and (4) administers and provides oversight for the Preventive Health and Health Services Grant. (Approved 8/17/2018; Effective 9/25/2018)

Office of the Director (CBDC1)

(1) Manages, directs and coordinates the division’s activities; (2) provides leadership and guidance on division operations, policies, program development and program integration; (3) directs and implements efficient and effective grants management processes; and (4) provides agency-wide coordination, engaging CDC’s Office of Financial Resources and programmatic subject matter experts to advance the efficient and effective development and implementation of CSTLTS programs to optimize support to STLT health agencies and national partners. (Approved 8/17/2018; Effective 9/25/2018)

Health Department Program Branch (CBDCB)

(1) Develops an efficient process for initiating, awarding and managing CSTLTS funding to STLT health departments; (2) coordinates communication with relevant cross agency and CSTLTS subject matter experts to inform notice of funding opportunity development and award processing; and (3) manages and implements the Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant. (Approved 8/17/2018; Effective 9/25/2018)

National Partnership Branch (CBDCC)

(1) Provides CDC-wide leadership for strengthening and building capacity and infrastructure of the public health system by engaging national nonprofit partner organizations; (2) coordinates CDC-wide funding through umbrella cooperative agreements for national public health partner organizations; (3) leverages partner services, products, relationships, and expertise to improve the function and accountability of STLT health departments; (4) seeks, initiates and provides support for cross-agency partnerships, relationships, and collaborations; and (5) provides leadership in evaluating and improving the performance of partnership cooperative agreements. (Approved 8/17/2018; Effective 9/25/2018)