

# **Evaluation of the National Public Health Improvement Initiative (NPHII)**

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# Overview

- ❑ **Introduction to the National Network of Public Health Institutes (NNPHI)**
- ❑ **NPHI Evaluation**
  - Stakeholders
  - Evaluation questions
  - Major evaluation elements
    - Annual Assessment of Performance Management and Improvement Practices (AKA Baseline assessment)
- ❑ **Evaluation Findings**
- ❑ **Pledge to Grantees**

# NNPHI

- ❑ **National membership organization that supports public health institutes**
  - Active network that adds capacity to local, state and national population health improvement organizations and initiatives
- ❑ **What we do:**
  - Provide a forum for institutes to learn from one another, network & collaborate together
  - Foster the development of emerging institutes
  - Expand capacity of existing institutes
  - Facilitate individual and multi-institute projects
  - Serve as a national program office

# **NPHII Evaluation**

- ❑ **Collaborative effort between CDC and NNPHI**
  - Grantees will be involved
- ❑ **Purpose**
  - Evaluation of both Component I and Component II grantees to:
    - Demonstrate accountability for ACA funds
    - Document baseline and initial gains in capacity
    - Understand the achievements and impact of NPHII
- ❑ **Integrated with program monitoring**
- ❑ **Designed to minimize duplication of data collection efforts**

# Evaluation Stakeholders

- ❑ **NPHII grantees**
- ❑ **CDC**
- ❑ **National Partners**
  - ASTHO
  - NACCHO
  - APHA
  - PHF
- ❑ **HHS**
- ❑ **Congress**

# Evaluation Areas

## □ NPHII Goals

- Accreditation
- Increase program operations efficiency
- Increase program operations effectiveness

## □ Focus of evaluation:

- Grantee performance management system development
- National accreditation
- Effectiveness of the PIM network
- Implementation of grantee projects
- Grantee success and challenges in achieving grant goals

# **Year One Major NPHII Evaluation Elements**

- ❑ **Coordinated data collection efforts**
  
- ❑ **Targeted data collection**
  - Annual Assessment of Performance Management and Improvement Practices
  - Implementation Stories
  - Case Studies

# Coordinated Data Collection

## □ Grantee Data

- Data from CDC - abstracted profiles of proposals; Interim and year end progress reports
- Data collected by national partners

Purpose: understand grantee efforts, establish baselines, and identify potential common areas of work among grantees that could be evaluated across grantees

Timeline: ongoing

Deliverable: Cross-walk of reporting requirements with CDC Evaluation Table and entry of reporting requirements into data collection database

## Targeted Data Collection

- ❑ **Annual Assessment of Performance Management and Improvement Practices**
  - Baseline and annually
  - Purpose of baseline assessment: Gather information about health department performance improvement activities prior to receiving funding for the NPHII in order to evaluate the impact of the Initiative
  - Information collected focuses on PIM official capacity and health department activities

Deliverables: Final report of assessment results, articles, and presentations

# Annual Assessment of Performance Management and Improvement Practices

- ❑ **Six sections focused on the following NPHII elements:**
  - PIM qualifications
  - Grantee preparation for and intent to apply for accreditation by the Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB)
  - Grantee use of Performance Management Systems and system components and tools
  - Grantee use of best practices and data for decision making
  - Grantee performance and quality improvement activities
  - Grantee culture to conduct performance and quality improvement activities

# Annual Assessment

- ❑ **Completed by PIM or author of the cooperative agreement application if the PIM has not been hired**
  - PIMs encouraged to consult with colleagues in completing the assessment
- ❑ **Important Dates for baseline**
  - March 25<sup>th</sup> – Assessment launched via SurveyMonkey
  - April 18<sup>th</sup> - Assessment closed
  - June 10<sup>th</sup> – Final report submitted to CDC and shared with grantees

# Targeted Data Collection

## □ Implementation Stories

- Purpose: Capture targeted qualitative data on quick wins and grantee challenges
- Structured e-story collection tool and follow-up interview
- To be completed by all Component II grantees (19) and a subset (6) of Component I grantees (25 total)
  - Assessment data and Mid-year Progress Report will inform case study site selection

Timeline: April – August 2011

Deliverables: 25 story summaries, 5-10 stories of key grant accomplishments for dissemination

# Targeted Data Collection

## Case Studies

- Purpose: highlight how NPHII funding has impacted grantee organizations' abilities to conduct Component I and Component II activities
- Assessment, Mid-year Progress Report, and Implementation Story data will inform case study site selection
- 5-10 case study site visits

Timeline: September – January 2012

Deliverables: Case study reports, summaries

## **Year Two (Supplement)**

- ❑ **Focus: Build practice-based evidence about the contributions of performance management**
  
- ❑ **Anticipated Activities**
  - More structured progress reporting
    - Performance Measures
  - Annual assessment
  - Additional qualitative work with grantees

## Evaluation Findings

- ❑ **Findings will be used to:**
  - Demonstrate and explain how funds are improving public health infrastructure
  - Improve NPHII
  - Identify technical assistance needs and provide support to grantees
  
- ❑ **Synthesized and included in reports and presented at upcoming meetings**

## **Pledge to Grantees**

- ❑ **Coordinate efforts among CDC and national partners**
  - Maximize use of existing data
  - Minimize duplicative data collection efforts
- ❑ **Keep information about individuals confidential**
- ❑ **Inform program improvements**
- ❑ **Share program successes among grantees and to other stakeholders**

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