

# **Five Things You Should Know if assuming the roles and responsibilities of a BoH**

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# The 5 A's

- \* **Accreditation**
- \* **Assessment**
- \* **Action Planning**
- \* **Advocate**
- \* **Authority**

# Accreditation

The focus of North Carolina's Local Health Department Accreditation (NCAHDA) is on...

-the capacity of the local health department to perform at a prescribed, basic level of quality the three core functions of

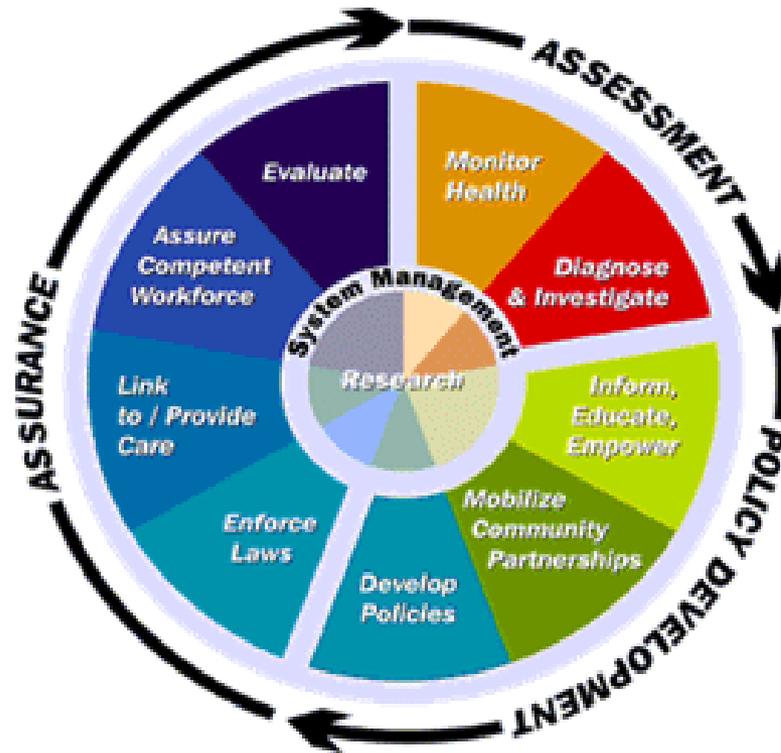
-assessment

-assurance

-policy development

-the ten essential services as defined by the CDC and NC Law.

# CDC Ten Essential Services



# BoH/CHSA Specific Benchmarks

- \* **Benchmark 34:** The local board of health/CHSA shall exercise its authority to adopt and enforce rules necessary to protect and promote the public's health.
- \* **Benchmark 35:** The local board of health/CHSA shall assure a fair and equitable adjudication process.
- \* **Benchmark 36:** The local board of health/CHSA members shall be trained regarding their service on the board.
- \* **Benchmark 37.** The local board of health/CHSA shall assure the development, implementation and evaluation of local health services and programs to protect and promote the public's health.

# BoH/CHSA Specific Benchmarks (con't)

- \* **Benchmark 38:** The local board of health/CHSA shall participate in the establishment of public health goals and objectives.
- \* **Benchmark 39:** The local board of health/CHSA shall assure the availability of resources to implement the essential services described in G.S. 130A-34.1(e)(2).
- \* **Benchmark 40:** The local board of health/CHSA shall advocate in the community on behalf of public health.
- \* **Benchmark 41:** The local board of health/CHSA shall promote the development of public health partnerships.

# Assessment

- \* **One of the 10 essential Public Health Services**
- \* **Shared ownership for community health**
- \* **Defining community – jurisdictional issues**
- \* **Data collection and analysis**
- \* **Community engagement**

# Action Plan

- \* **Local public health departments and community partners are encouraged to focus interventions toward achieving selected objectives that will have a significant impact on the identified needs of the community.**
- \* **Use evidence-based strategies**
- \* **BoH/CHSA key in communication and resource development**

# Advocate

- \* In traditional BoH, the range of professional disciplines represented provide communication and advocacy within their professions.
- \* Promotion of health-improving policies and practices with community, partners, and policy makers.

# Authority

- \* Several of the accreditation benchmarks and activities require the exercise of a board of health's statutory duties, such as policy-making or rule-making (G.S. 130A-39), or adjudication (G.S. 130A-24).
- \* Appeal and adjudication may be an occurrence of the consolidated board.
- \* The overall majority of Rules that local health departments enforce are state adopted rules: Isolation and Quarantine, Immunization, Communicable Disease, Food Code and etc.
- \* Counties have adopted Rules to address local concern: Tobacco-free public places, private water supplies, carbon monoxide. Appeal and adjudication may be an occurrence of the consolidated board.

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