

This report summarizes the results of work plans submitted by Ohio local health departments (LHDs) as part of the Ohio Local Public Health Accreditation Support Project (support project). The 17 milestones recorded on the work plans were chosen based on the Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB)'s required prerequisite documents and key steps in the process of preparing and applying for accreditation. This report highlights the results and changes in six of the 17 work plan milestones selected as key indicators of progress in accreditation readiness.

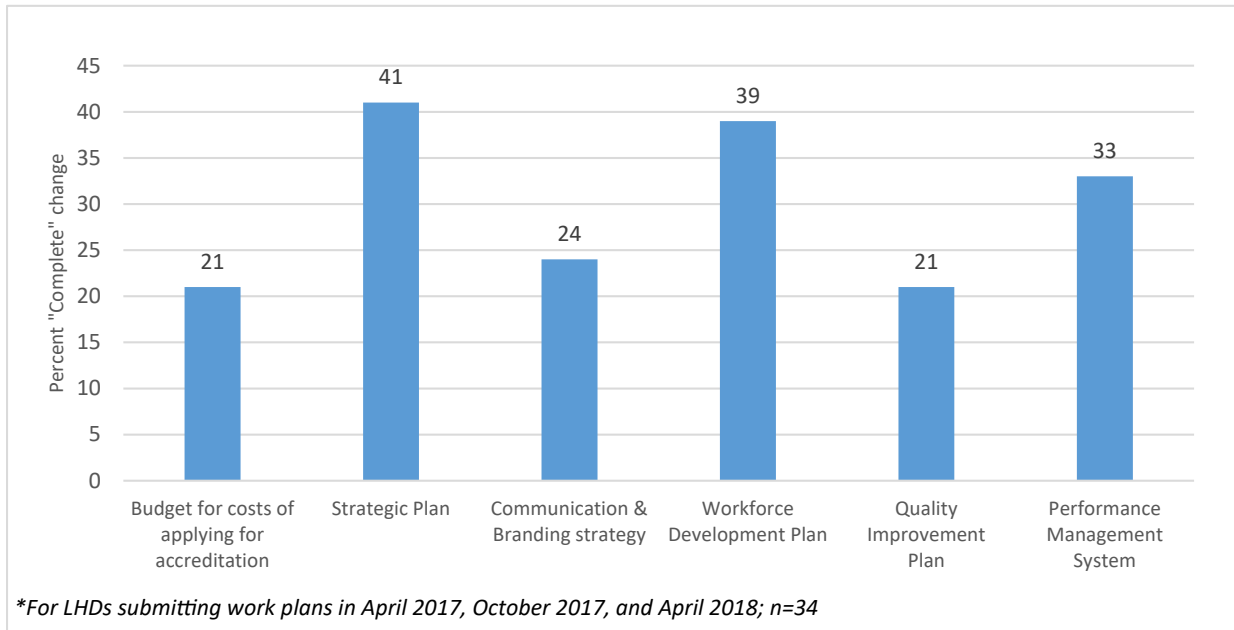
Work plan submissions were required by the Ohio Department of Health every six months starting in April 2017 for all LHDs that had not applied for accreditation at the time of plan submission. Table 1 provides a summary of the LHDs submitting work plans at each submission deadline. Sixty-one LHDs submitted in April 2017, 56 in October 2017 and 34 in April 2018, reflecting the increase in LHD accreditation application over time, as well as a small number of LHDs not submitting work plans.

Table 1: Work Plan Milestone Completion Status for all Agencies Submitting Work Plans, April 2017 - April 2018

	April 2017 (n=61)						October 2017 (n=56)						April 2018 (n=34)					
	NOT STARTED		IN PROGRESS		COMPLETE		NOT STARTED		IN PROGRESS		COMPLETE		NOT STARTED		IN PROGRESS		COMPLETE	
Budget for costs of applying for accreditation	6	9%	19	31%	36	59%	2	3%	17	30%	37	66%	2	5%	10	17%	31	76%
Strategic Plan	14	22%	23	37%	24	39%	6	10%	23	40%	27	49%	1	2%	12	26%	30	70%
Communication & Branding Strategy	14	22%	26	42%	21	34%	9	16%	23	41%	24	41%	1	2%	21	50%	21	47%
Workforce Development Plan	15	24%	34	55%	12	19%	6	10%	30	52%	20	36%	2	5%	20	44%	21	50%
Quality Improvement Plan	23	27%	20	32%	18	29%	12	21%	28	49%	16	29%	2	5%	24	52%	17	41%
Performance Management System	26	42%	29	47%	6	9%	12	21%	33	58%	11	20%	6	5%	23	58%	14	35%

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Figure 1: Percent Increase in Milestone Complete Status, April 2017-April 2018*



This page includes data from the 34 LHDs who submitted a work plan during all three submission periods. Figure 1 and Table 2 display the percent increase in selected milestone complete status between April 2017 and April 2018. Overall, there was improvement in the percent of LHDs progressing in all six key milestones. The most improved among the indicators were in LHDs completing their Strategic Plans and Workforce Development Plans.

Table 2: Work Plan Milestone Completion Status for Agencies Submitting Work Plans, April 2017 - April 2018*

	April 2017 (n=34)						October 2017 (n=34)						April 2018 (n=34)						Increase in Complete Status
	NOT STARTED		IN PROGRESS		COMPLETE		NOT STARTED		IN PROGRESS		COMPLETE		NOT STARTED		IN PROGRESS		COMPLETE		
Budget for costs of applying for accreditation	3	8 %	12	35 %	19	55 %	2	5 %	11	32 %	21	61 %	2	5 %	6	17 %	26	76 %	21%
Strategic Plan	12	35 %	12	35 %	10	29 %	6	17 %	15	44 %	13	38 %	1	2 %	9	26 %	24	70 %	41%
Communication & Branding Strategy	11	32 %	15	44 %	8	23 %	6	17 %	18	52 %	10	29 %	1	2 %	17	50 %	16	47 %	24%
Workforce Development Plan	9	26 %	21	61 %	4	11 %	6	17 %	20	58 %	8	23 %	2	5 %	15	44 %	17	50 %	39%
Quality Improvement Plan	13	38 %	14	41 %	7	20 %	8	23 %	18	52 %	8	23 %	2	5 %	18	52 %	14	41 %	21%
Performance Management System	15	44 %	18	52 %	1	2 %	10	29 %	21	61 %	3	8 %	2	5 %	20	58 %	12	35 %	33%

*For LHDs submitting work plans in April 2017, October 2017, and April 2018; n=34