

OHIO LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH ACCREDITATION SUPPORT PROJECT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
 CENTER FOR PUBLIC HEALTH PRACTICE
 COLLEGE OF PUBLIC HEALTH - OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

PROJECT OVERVIEW

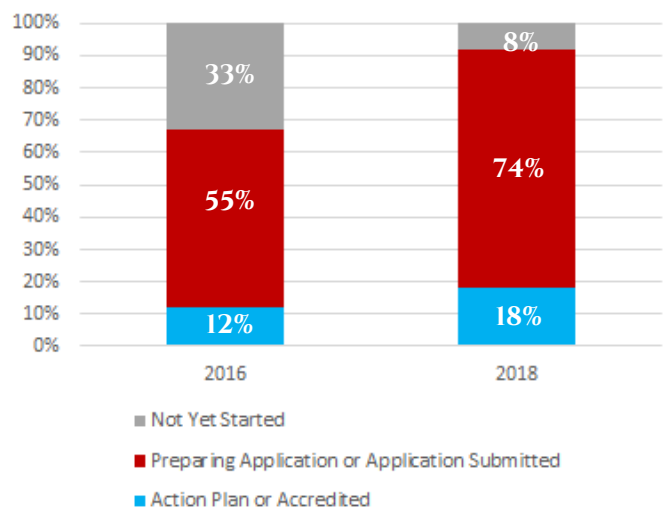
IN OHIO, NATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH ACCREDITATION (VIA THE PUBLIC HEALTH ACCREDITATION BOARD, OR PHAB) IS MANDATORY BASED ON THE BELIEF THAT IT WILL LEAD TO LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENTS (LHDS) IMPROVING THEIR SERVICES AND ACHIEVING BETTER COMMUNITY HEALTH OUTCOMES. THE ACCREDITATION SUPPORT PROJECT WAS ESTABLISHED TO SUPPORT THIS MANDATE. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION HIGHLIGHTS THE SUPPORT PROVIDED AND ITS IMPACT.

PHAB ACCREDITATION READINESS ASSESSMENT

92%

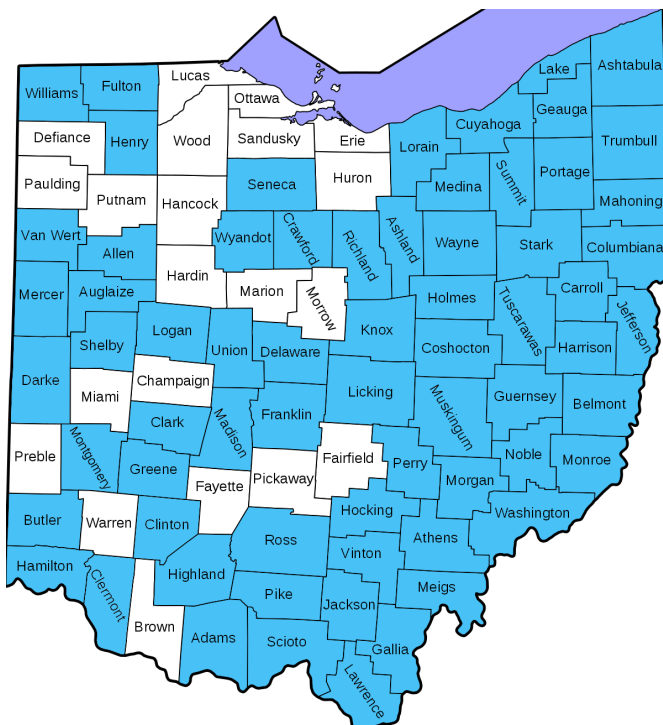
LHDS HAVE STARTED OR COMPLETED THE ACCREDITATION PROCESS

Progress Toward PHAB Accreditation



THE ASSESSMENT WAS COMPLETED BY 106 LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENTS IN BOTH 2016 & 2018. PROGRESS WAS MADE ALONG THE PHAB APPLICATION CONTINUUM. BY 2018, ONLY 8% OF LHDS HAD NOT YET STARTED THEIR PHAB APPLICATION.

TRAINING & TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDED ACROSS OHIO



67

OHIO COUNTIES RECEIVED SUPPORT



TYPES OF TRAINING & TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE



TRAINING & RESOURCES

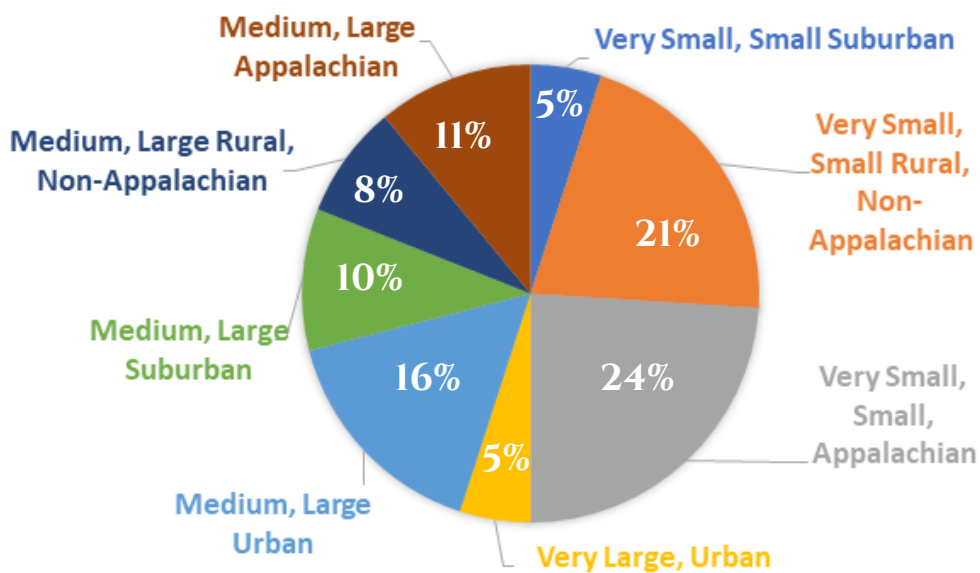
TRAINING WAS PROVIDED IN MULTIPLE FORMATS, INCLUDING:

- PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT WORKSHOPS
- QI & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT TRAINING SERIES
- ONLINE DOCUMENTATION REPOSITORY (PHAB EXAMPLE DOCUMENTS)
- E-LEARNING COURSES (WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT & SUCCESSION PLANNING)
- PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT WEBSITE

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE WAS ADMINISTERED VIA A COMPETITIVE APPLICATION PROCESS, MOST SUPPORT FOCUSED ON:

- WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PLANNING
- STRATEGIC PLANNING
- QUALITY IMPROVEMENT
- PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT



PERCENT OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED BY LHD SIZE AND GEOGRAPHY

ADDITIONAL SUPPORT

DOCUMENT REVIEWS WERE CONDUCTED FOR THE FOLLOWING PHAB PREREQUISITES:

- COMMUNITY HEALTH ASSESSMENT
- COMMUNITY HEALTH IMPROVEMENT PLAN
- STRATEGIC PLAN
- QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN
- WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PLAN

285

DOCUMENTS
REVIEWED

FUNDING WAS PROVIDED TO SUPPORT THE:

- **ACCREDITATION LEARNING COMMUNITY** MANAGED BY THE OHIO PUBLIC HEALTH PARTNERSHIP
- **ACCREDITED COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE** MANAGED BY THE OHIO PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION

90

LHDS
REACHED

OVER 90 LOCAL HEALTH
DEPARTMENTS IN OHIO WERE
REACHED VIA TRAINING &
TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE SUPPORT



PROJECT RESEARCH QUESTION

THE ACCREDITATION SUPPORT PROJECT AIMED TO IDENTIFY FACTORS THAT INFLUENCE ACCREDITATION READINESS, INCLUDING LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH DISTRICT SIZE, GEOGRAPHY, BREADTH OF SERVICE PROVISION, ETC.; AND DEVELOP AND STUDY THE PROCESSES THAT LHDS UNDERGO TO OBTAIN ACCREDITATION.



BASED ON THE DATA, **LHD POPULATION SIZE SERVED MATTERED**, AS BOTH SMALL AND MID-SIZED LHDS WERE LESS LIKELY TO BE IN THE LATER STAGES OF ACCREDITATION APPLICATION SUBMISSION.

THE TOTAL NUMBER OF SERVICES PROVIDED WAS ALSO RELATED, WITH LHDS PROVIDING MORE SERVICES BEING MORE LIKELY TO BE FURTHER ALONG THE ACCREDITATION READINESS CONTINUUM.

FACTORS AFFECTING THE ABILITY OF LHDS TO ACHIEVE ACCREDITATION



TIMELINE OF PHAB APPLICATION PROCESS INCLUDES GAPS OF TIME BETWEEN APPLYING, DOCUMENTATION REVIEW, SITE VISIT, AND ACCREDITATION DECISION.

AN INFLUX OF APPLICATIONS IN A SHORT TIME PERIOD HAS STRETCHED THIS WAIT TIME.

EMERGENCE OF COVID-19 PANDEMIC HAS DRAWN TIME AND RESOURCES AWAY FROM PURSUING ACCREDITATION, RESULTING IN FURTHER DELAYS.



BECAUSE OF THESE DELAYS, ACCREDITATION PROGRESS HAS TEMPORARILY STALLED, MAKING IT DIFFICULT TO GAUGE THE FULL IMPACTS OF THIS PROJECT

EVALUATION TOP 4 TAKEAWAYS



78% OF LHDS RESPONDED THAT CPHP SERVICES SUPPORTED PROGRESS



88% OF LHDS UTILIZED PRODUCT OR OUTCOME DEVELOPED VIA TRAINING/TECH ASSISTANCE



90% OF LHDS WERE SATISFIED WITH CPHP SERVICES



92% OF LHDS APPLIED THE KNOWLEDGE GAINED FROM TRAINING/TECH ASSISTANCE



REGRESSION ANALYSIS SHOWED THAT PREREQUISITE DOCUMENT REVIEWS INCREASED THE LIKELIHOOD OF MEETING THE DEADLINE FOR PHAB SUBMISSION BY 20%

WHEN ASKED TO RATE THE “VALUE” OF CPHP TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES ON A SCALE FROM 1 “LITTLE VALUE” TO 10 “GREAT VALUE” THE AVERAGE RATING WAS 8.6



FUNDING

THE SUPPORT PROJECT WAS ADMINISTERED BY THE CENTER FOR PUBLIC HEALTH PRACTICE AT THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF PUBLIC HEALTH (CPHP).

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ACCREDITATION SUPPORT PROJECT

PARTNERS



INSTITUTES OF HIGHER EDUCATION:

KENT STATE UNIVERSITY

WRIGHT STATE UNIVERSITY

OHIO UNIVERSITY

CLEVELAND STATE UNIVERSITY



OHIO PUBLIC HEALTH PARTNERSHIP:

ASSOCIATION OF OHIO HEALTH COMMISSIONERS

OHIO PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION

OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION

OHIO ASSOCIATION OF BOARDS OF HEALTH

OHIO SOCIETY FOR PUBLIC HEALTH EDUCATION



THESE PARTNERS ASSISTED IN THE DISTRIBUTION OF PROJECT TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.

IN ADDITION, SEVERAL PUBLIC HEALTH PRACTITIONERS WITH SPECIALIZED SKILLS IN VARIOUS TOPICS (QI, WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT, ETC.) WERE UTILIZED TO MEET SUPPORT NEEDS AND SERVE AS PEER TRAINERS.

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