

Public Health Accreditation and Health System Transformation

Important messages to share

Public health accreditation and the formation of Coordinated Care Organizations (CCOs) share similar goals: Change the system for better efficiency, accountability, value and health outcomes.

▶ **Public health accreditation supports health system transformation**

The accreditation process helps to improve health outcomes at lower costs by:

- Encouraging quality and performance improvement;
- Promoting efficient use of resources in the health department;
- Ensuring greater accountability and transparency for stakeholders.

▶ **Public health accreditation improves health by advancing quality and performance**

National public health accreditation was launched in 2011 to improve and protect the health of every community by advancing the quality and performance within public health departments.

Public health accreditation documents the capacity of state, local, tribal and territorial public health departments to deliver the three core functions of public health and the Ten Essential Public Health Services (see Figure 1). Accreditation gives reasonable assurance of the range and quality of public health services a department should provide.

▶ **Public health accreditation and CCOs align on community needs assessments and quality improvement**

Public health accreditation and the CCO Implementation Proposal each require community needs assessments and quality improvement processes.

Public health authorities are critical partners for CCO community needs assessments because they can provide leadership and expertise in engaging community stakeholders, collecting and assessing health status data, and eliminating health disparities.

Public health authorities can share expertise and assist CCOs in building quality improvement processes.

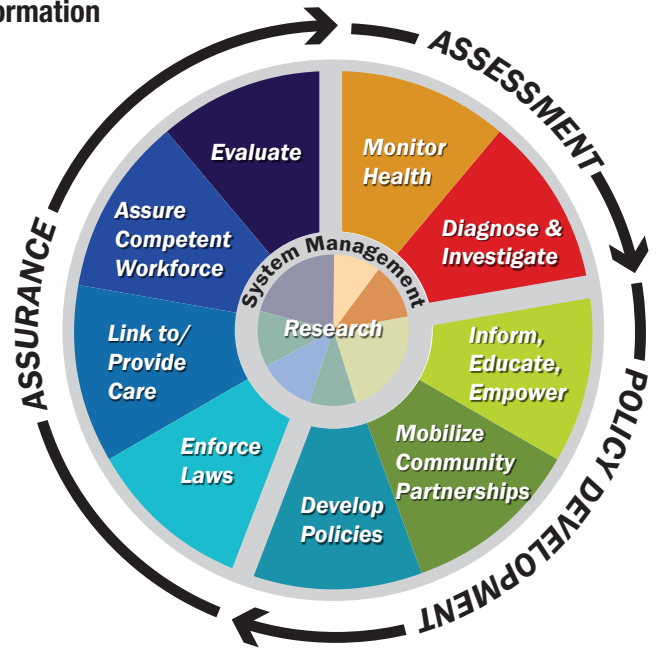


Figure 1

For more information

Health system transformation, www.health.oregon.gov

Public health accreditation, www.healthoregon.org/accreditation

