

10 Essential Public Health Services

Essential Service 1: Monitor Health Status to Identify Community Health Problems

What is going on in our community? Do we know how healthy we are?

Model Standard 1.1: Population-Based Community Health Assessment

Model Standard 1.2: Current Technology to Manage and Communicate Population Health Data

Model Standard 1.3: Maintaining Population Health Registries

Essential Service 2: Diagnose and Investigate Health Problems and Health Hazards

Are we ready to respond to health problems to health hazards in our county? How quickly do we find out about problems? How effective is our response?

Model Standard 2.1: Identifying and Monitoring Health Threats

Model Standard 2.2: Investigating and Responding to Public Health Threats and Emergencies

Model Standard 2.3: Laboratory Support for Investigating Health Threats

Essential Service 3: Inform, Educate, and Empower People about Health Issues

How well do we keep all segments of our community informed about health issues?

Model Standard 3.1: Health Education and Promotion

Model Standard 3.2: Health Communication

Model Standard 3.3: Risk Communication

Essential Service 4: Mobilize Community Partnerships to Identify and Solve Health Problems

How well do we truly engage people in local health issues?

Model Standard 4.1: Constituency Development

Model Standard 4.2: Community Partnerships

Essential Service 5: Develop Policies and Plans That Support Individual and Community Health Efforts

What local policies in both the government and private sector promote health in my community? How well are we setting healthy local policies?

Model Standard 5.1: Governmental Presence at the Local Level

Model Standard 5.2: Public Health Policy Development

Model Standard 5.3: Community Health Improvement Process and Strategic Planning

Model Standard 5.4: Planning for Public Health Emergencies

Essential Service 6: Enforce Laws and Regulations That Protect Health and Ensure Safety

When we enforce health regulations are we technically competent, fair, and effective?

Model Standard 6.1: Reviewing and Evaluating Laws, Regulations, and Ordinances

Model Standard 6.2: Involvement in Improving Laws, Regulations, and Ordinances

Model Standard 6.3: Enforcing Laws, Regulations, and Ordinances

Essential Service 7: Link People to Needed Personal Health Services and Assure the Provision of Healthcare When Otherwise Unavailable

Are people in my community receiving the health services they need?

Model Standard 7.1: Identifying Personal Health Service Needs of Populations

Model Standard 7.2: Ensuring People Are Linked to Personal Health Services

Essential Service 8: Assure a Competent Public Health and Personal Healthcare Workforce

Do we have competent public health staff? Do we have competent healthcare staff? How can we be sure that our staff stays current?

Model Standard 8.1: Workforce Assessment, Planning, and Development

Model Standard 8.2: Public Health Workforce Standards

Model Standard 8.3: Life-Long Learning through Continuing Education, Training, and Mentoring

Model Standard 8.4: Public Health Leadership Development

Essential Service 9: Evaluate Effectiveness, Accessibility, and Quality of Personal and Population-Based Health Services

Are we meeting the needs of the population we serve? Are doing things right? Are we doing the right things?

Model Standard 9.1: Evaluating Population-Based Health Services

Model Standard 9.2: Evaluating Personal Health Services

Model Standard 9.3: Evaluating the Local Public Health System

Essential Service 10: Research for New Insights and Innovative Solutions to Health Problems

Are we discovering and using new ways to get the job done?

Model Standard 10.1: Fostering Innovation

Model Standard 10.2: Linking with Institutions of Higher Learning and/or Research

Model Standard 10.3: Capacity to Initiate or Participate in Research

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