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Capacity: The Building Blocks of Public Health



Ample and Consistent Levels of:

- Support from Leaders
- Staffing
- Training
- Resources (equipment, supplies, etc.)

Making the Case for Maryland EPH Capacity



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Profile of Maryland Environmental Public Health Practice

- Present a Profile of EH practice
 - Infrastructure
 - Services
 - Trends
 - Needs
- Increase understanding of the value of EH Services
- Develop Recommendations

Partnerships: Key to Success

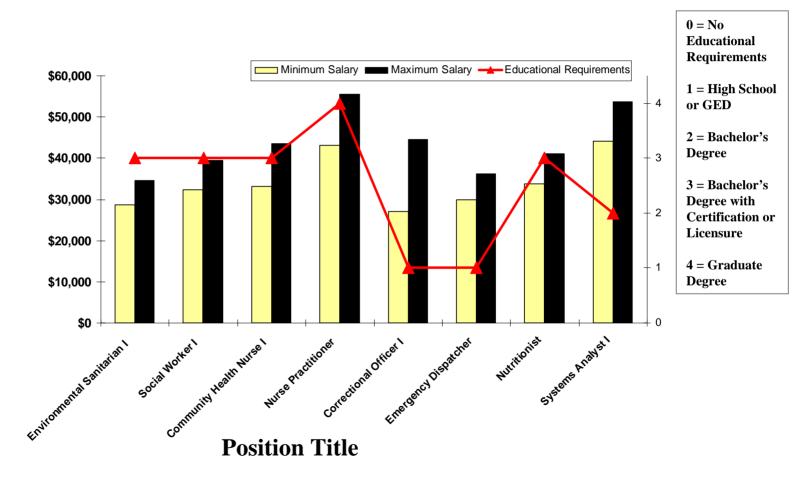
- Advisory Board Established with State and Local Representatives
- Partnered with DHMH, MDE, Local Officers and Local Environmental Directors to Conduct Local EH

Methods

- Site visits to all 24 Maryland local EPH divisions
- Discussion guide distributed to EPH directors (completed by 22 counties – response rate)
- Analysis of data from discussion guide
- Synthesis of recommendations

Data: Critical to making the Case for Capacity Building

Educational Requirements and Salaries of Entry-Maryland Governmental Jobs

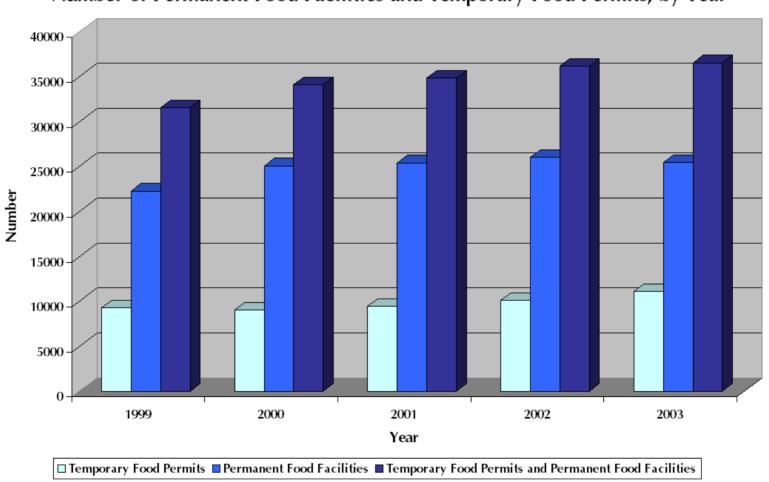


Salary

Source: Maryland State Job Listings posted between 2000-2003

Increasing Work

Number of Permanent Food Facilities and Temporary Food Permits, by Year



Maryland Workforce Advances

- State-Local Liaison Committee
- Recruitment Efforts
- Salary
- Training Opportunities

Training Findings

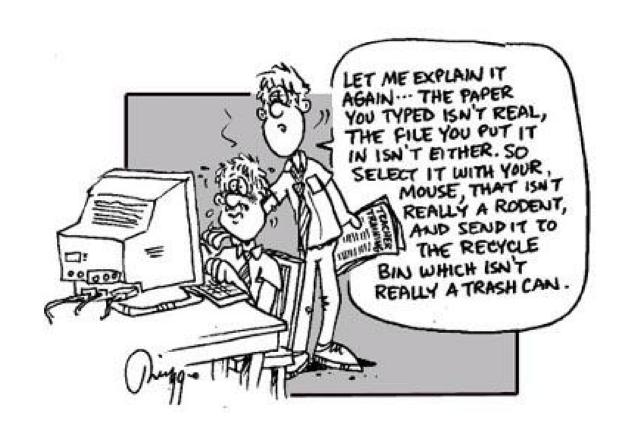


- Availability
- Adequacy

Leadership

- Feasibility
- Lack of

Does Distance Learning Meet All the Needs?



Lessons Learned

- Relationships are Key to Continued Successes
- Relationships take Time

Relationships Require Trust and

Understanding



Thank You!

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