

National Environmental Public Health Performance Standards (NEnvPHPS): The Next Step in Enhancing Services

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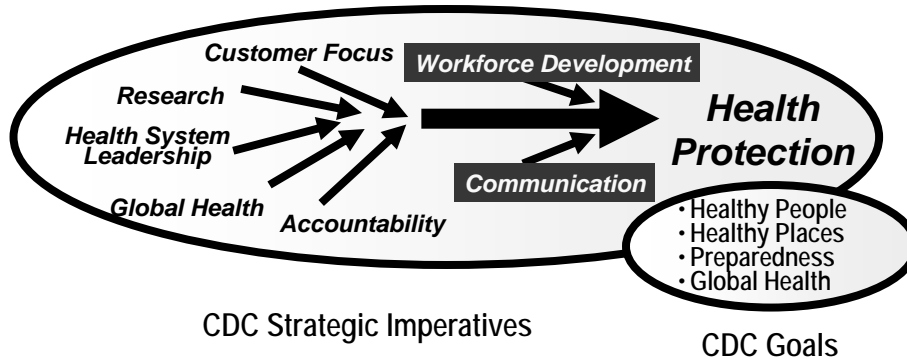


History

- 2001 – Capacity Building Program; PHPO
- 2003 – Ph.D. Dissertation; IPA
- 2003 – CDC Strategic Planning
- 2004 – Think Tank (Steering Committee)
- 2005 – NPHPS Coordination
- 2006 – EHSB Strategic Planning



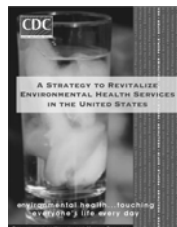
CDC's Strategy and Goals

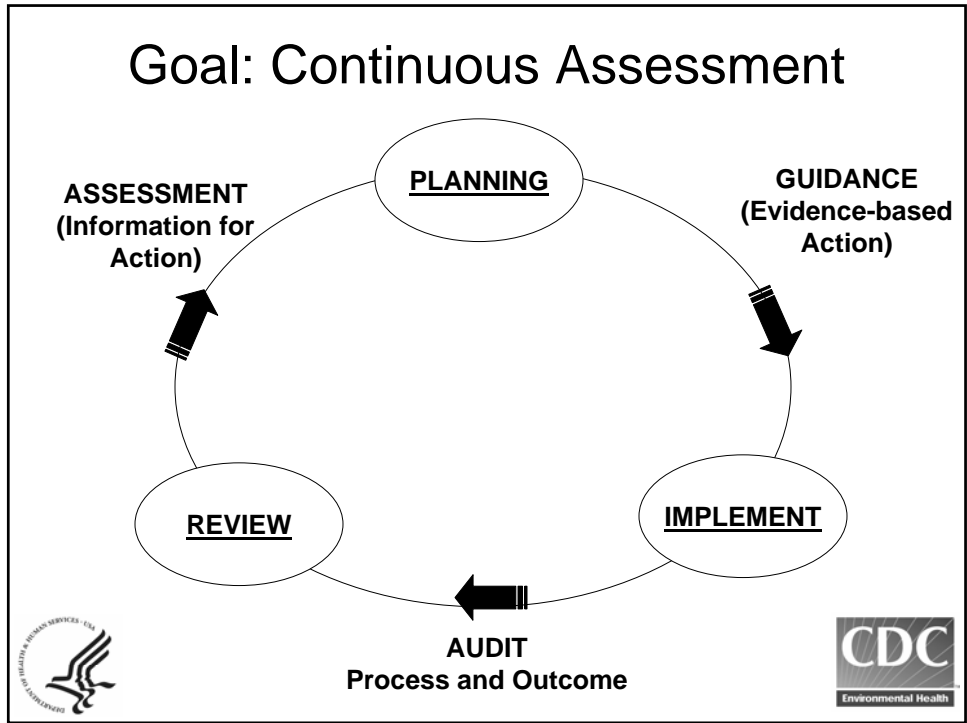


Vision

Full capacity of environmental public health programs to anticipate and prevent the spread of illness/disease outbreaks from existing and emerging threats


("Revitalized EPH System")





It Makes Sense!

- EH makes up 20% of local public health programs
- EH workforce desires focused, yet simple standards
- Time is right
 - Complement current NPHPS efforts
 - Move toward accreditation



Logos for the Department of Health and Human Services (DHS) and the CDC Environmental Health are present at the bottom of the slide.

How Your Agency Can Use NEnvPHPS

- Assess jurisdiction capacity to perform the 10 essential services
- Identify gaps in the EH system to perform the 10 essential services
- Develop action plan to address gaps/barriers to meeting NEnvPHPS standards
- Educate staff about EH's role in preventing disease and reducing hazards



NEnvPHPS With Indicators and Assessment Questions: Example

- ES #3: Inform, educate, and empower people about EH issues
- NEnvPHPS #3: System to assist the community with identifying EH issues and setting priorities for EH
 - Is the community involved in setting EH priorities?



Next Steps

- Gain stakeholder support – Jan 2007
- Build consensus – April 2007
- Pilot draft instrument – June 2007
- Finalize draft standards – September 2007
- Implement program – September 2008
- Continuous assessment – Ongoing

