FOUNDATIONAL STANDARD

Requirements

Population Health Assessment

1. The BoH shall assess current health status, health behaviours, preventive health practices, health care utilization relevant to public health, and demographic indicators.

2. The BoH shall assess trends and changes in local population health.

3. The BoH shall use population health, determinants of health and health inequities information to assess the needs of the local population.

4. The BoH shall tailor public health programs and services to meet local population health needs.

5. The BoH shall provide population health information to the public, community partners, and health care providers.

Surveillance

6. The BoH shall conduct surveillance, including the ongoing collection, collation, analysis, and periodic reporting of population health indicators.

7. The BoH shall interpret and use surveillance data to communicate information on health risks to relevant audiences.

Research And Knowledge Exchange

9. The BoH shall foster relationships with community researchers, academic partners, and other partners to support research and knowledge exchange.

10. The BoH shall engage in public health research activities.

8. The BoH shall engage in knowledge exchange activities regarding factors that determine the health of the population and support effective public health practice.

Program Evaluation

13. The BoH shall facilitate practitioners and policy makers awareness of the factors that contribute to program effectiveness.

12. The BoH shall conduct program evaluations.

11. The BoH shall routinely monitor program activities & outcomes to assess & improve the implementation & effectiveness of programs & services.

Board of Health Outcomes

The BoH has effective partnerships with community researchers and academic partners to support public health research and knowledge exchange.

Public health practitioners, policy-makers, community partners, health care providers, and the public are aware of the best available research regarding the factors that determine the health of the population and support effective public health practice.

Relevant audiences have available information that is necessary for taking appropriate action.

The public, community partners and health care providers are aware of relevant and current population health information.

The BoH identifies public health priorities including identification of emerging public health issues.

The BoH allocates resources to reflect public health priorities & reallocates resources, as feasible, to reflect emergent public health priorities.

Public health programs and services are planned and implemented to address local population health needs.

Public health practitioners and policy-makers are aware of the effectiveness of existing programs and services, and factors contributing to their outcomes.

The BoH identifies program implementation issues.

Societal Outcomes

Community-based planning and delivery of public health programs and services incorporate new public health knowledge.

Emerging threats to the public's health are prevented or mitigated.

Population health needs are anticipated, identified, addressed and evaluated.

Goal

Public health practice responds effectively to current & evolving conditions, and contributes to the public's health and well-being.