



NATIONAL NETWORK OF PUBLIC HEALTH INSTITUTES

Fostering Innovations that Improve Health

Overview

The National Network of Public Health Institutes was established in 2001 to enhance the capacity of the nation's public health institutes and promote multi-sector activities resulting in measurable improvements of public health structures, systems and outcomes. Comprised of thirty-four members and growing, the network brings added capacity to the public health system. NNPHI also provides administrative and coordination support for national programs addressing accreditation, performance standards, and public health leadership development. Together with its members and partners, NNPHI fosters collaborative innovations that address critical and emerging public health issues.

NNPHI Strategic Directions

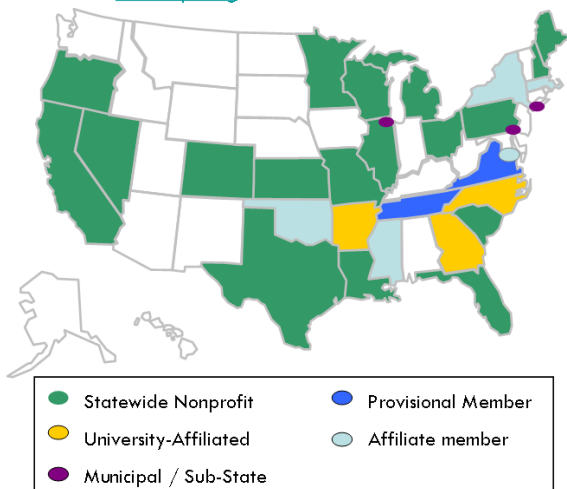
1. Foster high performing public health institutes within states and selected regions.
2. Improve the public's health by implementing strategic initiatives with members of the network and partners to address current critical and emerging public health issues
3. Maintain a national network that effectively supports the establishment and growth of state and regional public health institutes.

What is a Public Health Institute?

A public health institute is an organization that improves public health structures, systems and outcomes by leveraging resources and partnerships to improve the public's health. Public Health Institutes work in partnership with governmental agencies, academia, community organizations, foundations and private interests.

NNPHI Members

visit www.nnphi.org for links to members' websites



Common Attributes of Public Health Institutes

- Improve population health
- Support governmental public health
- Convene multi-sector partners
- Leverage resources and partners quickly
- Provide reliable health information
- Support health systems change
- Promote informed policy change and decision making

Capacities Offered by Public Health Institutes

- Population-based Health Programs
- Health Policy
- Training/Technical Assistance
- Research and Evaluation
- Health Informatics/ Health Information Services
- Fiscal/Administrative Management
- Health Communications/ Social Marketing

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What Does NNPHI Offer its Members?

As a membership organization, NNPHI fosters networking and collaboration amongst twenty-six public health institutes and multi-sector partners. We currently offer the following services to our members:

- Disseminate a bimonthly newsletter highlighting member accomplishments, funding opportunities, and upcoming events
- Host periodic educational teleconferences focusing on emerging public health issues and needs of public health institutes
- Support collaborative efforts between public health institutes and public health system partners on public health-related projects
- Facilitate opportunities for institutes to share best practices and demonstrate the roles of institutes in the public health system
- Market public health institutes at national public health conferences
- Maintain the NNPHI eCatalog, an online searchable database for resources and tools related to NNPHI, its programs, and its members

Our Projects & Programs

Collaborating for Population Health

NNPHI facilitates collaborative projects with public health institutes and public health systems partners. The network has the ability to leverage the expertise, skills and resources of member institutes to accomplish public health projects on a regional and national scale. Member institutes have used NNPHI as a conduit to fund work of mutual interest and need. Past collaborative projects have addressed issues such as preparedness assessments, computer based modeling and health transformation.

Technical Assistance and Organizational Development

NNPHI provides emerging institutes with technical assistance through linkages to mentors and resources from existing public health institutes. NNPHI provides core organizational support in form of grants and technical assistance as well as fosters a learning community among emerging public health institutes across the nation. Emerging institutes participate in topical teleconferences, tailored workshops at the NNPHI Annual Meeting and relationship-based mentoring.

Performance Assessment/Quality Improvement

The **National Public Health Performance Standards** is a collaborative effort to enhance the nation's public health systems through the use of three instruments designed to assess the performance of the public health system. NNPHI is one of seven national partners implementing the program. NNPHI supports NPHPSP through co-hosting monthly teleconferences as well as co-coordinating an annual training workshop for users and interested parties.

NNPHI manages the **Multi-State Learning Collaborative: Lead States in Public Health Quality Improvement** with support from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. The project is in its third phase involving collaborative activities with 16 states that are preparing for accreditation and applying quality improvement techniques to improve public health practice and outcomes, such as: improving public health service delivery, decreasing the incidence of vaccine-preventable diseases and reducing the burden of illness due to tobacco or alcohol usage. As the program office, NNPHI facilitates grantee meetings, webinars, site visits, and provides technical assistance to grantees.

Leadership

NNPHI is home to the **Public Health Leadership Society**, an alumni association comprised of graduates of national, state, and regional public health leadership institutes. Members engage in opportunities for leadership development and collaboration on public health issues that impact the nation. PHLS is a national resource for public health leadership development, leadership consultation, and the development of the next generation of public health leaders.

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