

MODERATOR OVERVIEW

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Impetus for Project

- Prior to passage of the ACA, CDC began to examine multi-stakeholder collaboration potential associated with hospital community benefit programming
- Post ACA, the IRS requested technical assistance from CDC with regard to 501r requirements

Issue: What is a “Best Practice?”

- Is it a resource that provides guidance to the field?

(i.e., what is being examined by University of Kansas colleagues)

OR

- The practical application of that resource? If the latter, is it
 - A complete process (e.g., CHNA)?
 - Practical application of an element in a process (e.g., collaboration on a program)?
 - Based upon which criteria?
 - In what context?
 - **Conclusion: Before we can ID and validate a best practice, we need a common language, point of reference, and basis for determination**

Meeting Purpose and Approach

- Examine key elements of the entire community health improvement cycle*
- Emphasis on collaboration and shared accountability among diverse stakeholders throughout the cycle
- Engage multiple audiences
 - Federal govt. agencies (e.g., IRS, CDC, CMS, HRSA)
 - Hospitals and other health care providers
 - Local and state public health departments (e.g., accreditation)
 - Community stakeholders
- Get all issues, challenges, and opportunities to advance practices on the record

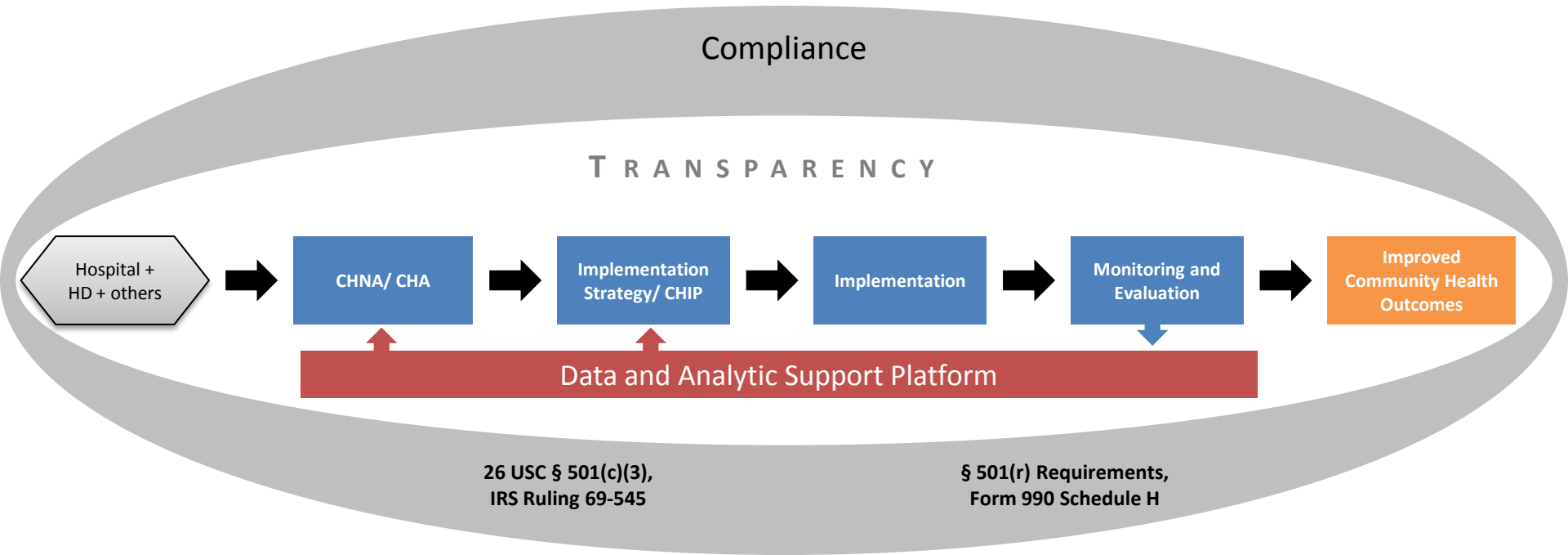
** With special emphasis on the CHNA and implementation strategy development process*

Objectives for Each Expert Panel

- **#1** Examine scientific methods that support the community health improvement (CHI) process.
- **#2** Examine current practices in the CHI process by all relevant stakeholders, as well as issues and challenges associated with partnership activities.
- **#3** ID opportunities to enhance practices through
 - application of the latest scientific methods,
 - emerging technologies,
 - lessons from experience, and
 - changes in public policy.

A QI Approach to Community Health Improvement

A Framework for Alignment and Shared Accountability



Assuring Shared Ownership of the Process among Stakeholders (e.g., formal agreements)?
Assuring Ongoing Involvement of Community Members

Key Issues to Address to Promote Alignment between Accreditation, NP Hospital CB, and Other Community-Oriented Processes

- Arranging Assessments that Span Jurisdictions
- Using Small Area Analysis to Identify Communities with Health Disparities
- Collecting and Using Information on Social Determinants of Health
- Collecting Information on Community Assets
- Using Explicit Criteria and Processes to Set Priorities (use of evidence to guide decision-making)
- Assuring Shared Investment and Commitments of Diverse Stakeholders
- Collaborating Across Sectors to Implement Comprehensive Strategies
- Participatory Monitoring and Evaluation of Community Health Improvement Efforts

Best Practice Domains Inquiry

- In examination of CHI process, identified 12 elements, or domains where practical application in the field is limited.
- Reviewed existing tools to inform and support practical application in the field.
- Developed a set of “ecumenical” synopses that distill wisdom drawn from existing tools.

Relation to Larger Project

- Increase knowledge of available resources to support practices in areas where experience is limited
- Provide insights into specific strengths of different resources
- Provide insights into potential enhancements of current practices