

The ASTHO Accreditation Library



[ASTHO's Accreditation Library](#) was launched in the fall of 2013 to serve as living resource to meet the needs of ASTHO members. This online repository is intended to be a reference for state health agencies who are preparing to seek voluntary accreditation from the Public Health Accreditation Board.

About the Accreditation Library

During the accreditation process, each state health agency must submit documentation that demonstrates conformity to the guidance provided in the PHAB Standards and Measures Version 1.0. Documentation serves as evidence showing that a state health agency is providing public health processes, programs, and interventions that address their unique characteristics and population. Documentation can be presented in various formats, including; documented policies, procedures, reporting activities, data summaries, work plans, electronic communication, contract, reports, etc.

ASTHO's Accreditation Library contains example documentation from several state health agencies. Each example is prefaced with a coversheet that contains a brief description of the document and justification explaining how it meets the specific standard and measure. Various other resources and guidance developed by ASTHO that align with major components of accreditation can also be found here (ex: State Health Improvement Planning Guidance, Quality Improvement Plan Toolkit, State Health Assessment Guidance and Resource, Workforce Development Toolkit, Strategic Planning Toolkit, etc.)

Documentation in this library has been submitted by state health agency staff that are in various stages of the accreditation process. Some agencies are preparing for accreditation, others have applied and are awaiting accreditation review, and a few have been awarded an accredited status. Please note that the inclusion of documentation in this library does not indicate official approval or acceptance by PHAB. Rather, consider this a collection of strong example documents that states are considering and submitting as accreditation documentation. The intent of this library is not to serve as a repository of templates, but as a reference to state health agencies as they develop and select accreditation documentation specific to their health department's activities.

How to Submit Documentation

Please assist ASTHO in making the Accreditation Library a robust and valuable resource. If your state health agency is preparing for, or has applied for accreditation, and has identified high-quality documentation that conforms to the PHAB Standards and Measures, consider submitting for inclusion in the Accreditation Library. To submit example documentation, please forward a completed submission form with documentation to accreditation@astho.org. ASTHO Staff will review submissions on a rolling basis and contact you if your document selected for posting.

For questions about ASTHO's Accreditation Library, please contact Joya Coffman, jcoffman@astho.org or Lia Katz, lkatz@astho.org

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This online repository is intended to serve as a resource and reference for state health agencies who are preparing to seek voluntary accreditation from the [Public Health Accreditation Board](#). The goal of the Accreditation Library is to help generate ideas for state health agency staff and accreditation teams as they identify and select documentation that conforms to the guidance in the [PHAB Standards and Measures](#). Below you will find example documentation, submitted from several state health agencies in various stages of the accreditation process. Each example is prefaced with a coversheet that contains a brief description of the document and justification explaining how it meets the specific standard and measure

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