

# Essential Service #1



At what level does the local public health system...

## Monitor Status to Identify Health Problems

What's going on in our community?  
Do we know how healthy we are?

Essential Service #1, *Monitoring Status to Identify Health Problems*, ranked as having significant performance and 3<sup>rd</sup> highest priority<sup>1</sup>.

### Description



Model Standards represent the major components or practice areas of the Essential Service. Model Standards for this service include indicators for *community health assessments, health registries, and population health data*.

### Performance Significant



This score can be interpreted as the overall degree to which your local public health system meets the performance standards. The overall performance ranking score for this Essential Service is **69.4**, which represents **significant activity**.

### Priority #3



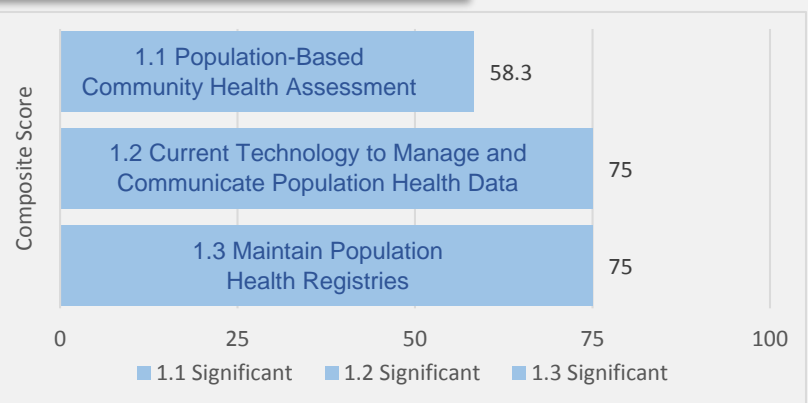
Participants were asked to consider the priority of each Essential Service and Model Standard to their local public health system. With an overall priority ranking score of **3 of 10**, this Essential Service is within the higher-ranking half of priorities.

## Data Overview



### Prioritization Matrix

Quadrants are based on how the performance of each Essential Service compares with the priority rating.



### Model Standards

Model Standards represent the major components or practice areas of the Essential Service. All model standards scored **SIGNIFICANT activity**.

## PERCEIVED SYSTEM STRENGTHS:

### Several participants indicated that:

- Health needs assessments and reporting are being performed at the local community level
- State-level databases and reports exist that contain local data
- They share and communicate data regularly with other organizations at the meeting

### A few participants noted that:

- They were aware of Florida Charts data reporting, where it could be located, and use the data on a regular basis
- Robust data collection systems in place are continually reporting on and monitoring infectious disease
- Hospital chart review is often an initiating event for communication between agencies
- Distinguishing between chronic disease data and epidemiologic data is important due to the immediacy of health impact on the community

## PERCEIVED SYSTEM WEAKNESSES:

### Several participants indicated that:

- More promotion and dissemination of existing health assessments and reports is needed
- They had not been informed of health assessments completed in the community, where they could be located, and status updates on those assessments as they were reviewed or updated.

### A few participants noted that:

- They were unaware of Florida Charts data reporting and where it could be located
- Additional analyses and reporting of data could be performed at a local level
- Consolidation of data systems could be improved

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## PERCEIVED SYSTEM OPPORTUNITIES:

### Participants suggested the following for optimization of this essential service:

- Ongoing monitoring and reporting of community health assessments could be improved.
- Consolidation of current assessments and reports, but realized there may be challenges due to different assessment requirements for each agency.
- Coordinating efforts between agencies on the reporting, dissemination of assessments
- Additional linkages and communication about health assessments within the local public health system
- Increased awareness about available data resources in the local public health system
- Additional analysis and use of data at a local level within the local public health system within confidentiality limitations

### Best practice/innovative approaches highlighted:

- Expansions to the state vulnerable population registry database.
- County government GIS mapping to address emergency transportation
- FBI terrorism division joint investigation processes in place

**Essential Service #1 increased slightly in performance and was ranked with a priority, as compared to the 2012 local public health system assessment.**

### Performance Assessment

65%  
2012



69%  
2016

### Priority Assessment

N/A  
2012



#3  
2016

## Partners in Health

#	Organization Type	#	Organization Type
1	County Health Department	4	Hospitals & Emergency Service Providers
1	Healthcare Facilities & Service Providers	1	Mental Health Facilities & Service Providers
1	Schools, Colleges & Universities	1	County Government & Municipalities
1	Coalitions & Advocacy Groups	1	State Agencies & Programs

Partners who gathered to discuss the performance of the local public health system for this Essential Service

### Future Visioning:



Assessment participants also identified other partners who contribute to this work that they would like to see involved in future dialogues related to this Essential Service.

Social Service Facilities & Service Providers  
Philanthropic & Health Financing Organizations  
Correctional Health Facilities & Service Providers  
Faith-Based Organizations