

Essential Service #10



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

Research for New Insights and Innovative Solutions to Health Problems

Are we discovering and using new ways to get the job done?

In the 2016 local public health system assessment, Essential Service #10 was ranked as having moderate performance and 10th highest priority¹.

Description



Model Standards represent the major components or practice areas of the Essential Service. Model Standards for this service include indicators for *fostering innovation, linking with institutions of higher learning and research capacity.*

Performance Moderate



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 **41.7**, which represents **MODERATE** activity.

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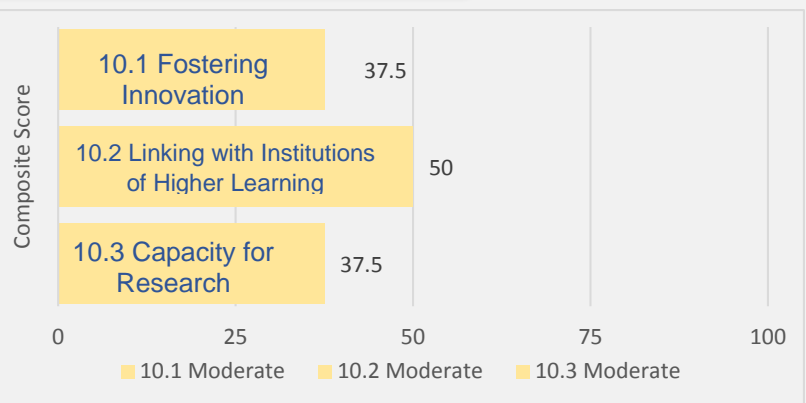
Participants were asked to consider the priority of each Essential Service and Model Standard to their local public health system. With an overall priority ranking score of **10 of 10**, this Essential Service is within the lower-ranking half of priorities.

Data Overview



Prioritization Matrix

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



Model Standards

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¹SOURCE: Local Public Health System Assessment, Lake County, Florida, 2016
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PERCEIVED SYSTEM STRENGTHS:

Several participants indicated that:

- They have robust internal systems for quality improvement within their organizations and they have many active innovative initiatives in place

A few participants noted that:

- They are required to initiate quality improvement activity as part of their reimbursement operations and accreditations

PERCEIVED SYSTEM WEAKNESSES:

Several participants indicated that:

- Funding and staffing resources were a limitation to research capacity

A few participants noted that:

- Additional local research on behavioral and mental health needs would be beneficial to community efforts
- There may be silos of information about best practices and innovations within the system

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PERCEIVED SYSTEM OPPORTUNITIES:

Participants suggested the following for optimization of this essential service:

- Dissemination of health research and best practice information widely within the community

Best practice/innovative approaches highlighted:

- School, College & University student affiliations & recruitment activities
- Lake-Sumter State College Health Academy Program
- Hospital and Emergency Services Sepsis Monitoring Program

Essential Service #10 decreased in performance and was ranked with a priority, as compared to the 2012 local public health system assessment.

Performance Assessment

69%

2012



42%

2016

Priority Assessment

N/A

2012



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2016

Partners in Health

#	Organization Type	#	Organization Type
1	County Health Department	3	Hospitals & Emergency Service Providers
4	Schools, Colleges, & Universities	1	Coalitions & Advocacy Groups
1	Philanthropic & Health Financing Organizations	1	Mental Health Facilities & Service Providers
1	Healthcare Facilities & Service Providers	1	Citizens

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.

County Government & Municipalities
Elected Officials
Businesses & Employers