



Take steps toward Performance Improvement

A new performance improvement program for health departments and military installation departments of public health.

PHAB PATHWAYS RECOGNITION PROGRAM

The [Pathways Recognition Program](#) supports installation departments of public health (DPHs) in their performance improvement efforts, strengthens public health infrastructure, and aids in modernizing and integrating public health practice for DPHs not quite ready for accreditation. Pathways allows DPHs to increase their accreditation readiness and take steps to better serve their communities.

Program Structure

Two Tracks, 34 Measures

[Measures for Pathways Recognition](#) are a subset of measures from the PHAB Standards & Measures Version 2022, identified as Foundational Capabilities.

Requirements for Pathways Recognition are divided into two tracks; installation departments of public health may choose to complete one or both tracks in any order.

Track 1: Services & Partnerships 19 Measures

- Assessment & Surveillance
- Community Partnership Development
- Policy Development & Support
- Emergency Preparedness & Support
- Communications

Track 2: Health Department Systems 15 Measures

- Organizational Competencies
- Accountability & Performance Management

Benefits of Pathways

- Tangible progress and incentives toward public health accreditation
- A cohort approach that provides peer learning and sharing opportunities
- Objective review of department performance by an external entity on a subset of national standards
- Assures stakeholders that the department of public health is delivering Foundational Capabilities

To get started, contact the [Defense Health Agency Public Health Accreditation Program Management Team](#).