**Strengthen your Department of Public Health’s Ability to Better Serve our Communities and Commands**

Advance the performance of installation departments of public health to better serve your communities.

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**Assess Capacity in Key Areas of Public Health Practice**

Health departments assess their capacity in areas such as quality and performance improvement, partnerships, and workforce.

**Identify Strengths and Areas for Improvement**

A custom report will highlight gaps, identify themes across measures, and determine areas for additional capacity building and service sharing.

**Prepare for the Next Public Health Emergency**

By understanding how you perform in key areas of public health practice your health department can be better prepared for the next emergency to keep your community healthy and safe.

**How does it work?**

Installation departments of public health self-report on a series of questions that correspond to Version 2022 of the PHAB Standards & Measures.

Questions cover a variety of topics, such as:

- Risk Communications Plan
- Community Health Assessment
- Workforce Development Plan

Results from the Readiness Assessment will determine whether to apply for the new Pathways Recognition program or Initial Accreditation, create strategies for improvement, and more. This will allow departments to measure progress, identify evolving needs, and demonstrate accountability and impact to the community and leaders.

This readiness step is required for all Military Installation Departments of Public Health slated to apply for accreditation.

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To get started, contact the Defense Health Agency Public Health Accreditation Program Management Team.