

San Diego County Local Public Health System Assessment

Friday, April 3, 2020

8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Marina Village, 1936 Quivira Way
San Diego, CA 92109

Come at 7:30 a.m. for registration, networking, and light refreshments.

PURPOSE: This is an opportunity to help identify the areas of strengths, as well as ways to improve, our **public health system** in San Diego County. Together, we will examine how well we deliver the 10 Essential Public Health Services (Essential Services) as we continue to build a county that is healthy, safe, and thriving. *For background information, see back page.*



WHO: Community partners, governments, schools, businesses, health care providers, health educators, emergency services personnel, environmental health specialists, community health planners, epidemiologists, policy makers, grassroots and neighborhood organizations, tribal leaders, local chambers of commerce and other stakeholders, across every sector, are invited to give their input on how well the public health system is working for you and your community.

REGISTRATION: Please register no later than **February 14, 2020**, by clicking [HERE](#). Be prepared to identify what Essential Service sessions you would like to participate, based on your interests and expertise.

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Why is this Important to Attend?

- **To be part of** a strategic planning process that is a bottoms-up and community-driven, based on a method approved by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and successfully conducted in San Diego County several times previously, most recently in September 2016;
- **To build your** own professional network with this opportunity to engage with a wide range of partners across every sector, exploring better ways to coordinate and connect to build a stronger public health system;
- **To expand on** what was learned through the 2016 assessment. While San Diego county's public health system received relatively high scores across all 10 Essential Services, opportunities for improvement were identified. Participants will help determine where progress continues to be made, and identify areas in which action is still needed in order to reach the "Optimal" level of performance. (See [Report of 2016 LPHSA](#)).
- **To play a part in** implementing the results and recommendations for action that emerge from this assessment. These findings will inform community planning into the future.

How to Select the Session to Participate In?

When you register, you will select two of the 10 Essential Public Health Services breakout groups to participate in. Your selection should be based on your own interests and area of expertise. See below for examples of professions by Essential Services (a more detailed list appears in the survey instrument). We urge you to sign up quickly to get your first choices, particularly if you want to participate in Essential Services 3 and 4, as these breakout groups will fill up and you may be reassigned.

1. **Monitor Health Status to Identify and Solve Community Health Problems** (*i.e., epidemiologists, environmental health data experts, public health laboratory partners, hospitals*).
2. **Diagnose and Investigate Health Problems and Health Hazards in the Community** (*similar to #1*).
3. **Inform, Educate, and Empower People about Health Issues** (*i.e., health educators, health promotion, neighborhood organizations*).
4. **Mobilize Community Partnerships and Action to Identify and Solve Health Problems** (*similar to #3*).
5. **Develop Policies and Plans that Support Individual and Community Health Efforts** (*i.e., elected officials and policymakers, public health attorney, law enforcement agencies, emergency services*).
6. **Enforce Laws and Regulations that Protect Health and Ensure Safety** (*i.e., elected officials, policymakers, public health attorney, city planners*).
7. **Link People to Needed Personal Health Services and Assure the Provision of Health Care when Otherwise Unavailable** (*i.e., service providers, medical professionals, service recipients*).
8. **Assure Competent Public and Personal Health Care Workforce** (*i.e., universities/colleges, foundations, human resources, local chamber of commerce*).
9. **Evaluate Effectiveness, Accessibility, and Quality of Personal and Population-based Health Services** (*i.e., service providers, medical professionals, hospitals, quality improvement staff*).
10. **Research for New Insights and Innovative Solutions to Health Problems** (*i.e., hospitals, universities/colleges, managed care organizations, foundations*).