



FIVE YEARS OF PUBLIC HEALTH INNOVATION

PHNCI Impact and Influence

The Public Health National Center for Innovations is a division of PHAB that works to identify, foster, and share health department innovations. Since its inception in 2015, PHNCI created the definition for public health innovation, encouraged learning and collaboration, and supported health departments to advance innovation and equity efforts.

PHNCI has four main goals: support public health innovation, transformation, accreditation, and ultimately advance health equity. Over the past five years, PHNCI launched initiatives to advance frameworks and approaches to public health practice. **PHNCI has achieved the following key accomplishments related to each goal:**

Support Public Health Innovation

- Building awareness of the value of innovation in public health
- Encouraging cross-sector collaboration to advance innovation
- Stimulating information-sharing among health departments

Contribute to Public Health Transformation

- Increasing national focus on the importance of the Foundational Public Health Services
- Transformational activities implemented within grantee communities funded by PHNCI

Inform Public Health Accreditation

- Influencing the PHAB Standards & Measures to include requirements related to innovation, health equity, and cross-sector collaboration.

Advance Health Equity

- Implementing activities and strategies to help health departments work to advance health equity.

“[PHNCI’s] existence as a whole...help[s] to transform public health practice.”

-External Respondent

“[PHNCI has] really kind of brought an understanding of the concepts of innovation into the field...[innovation] really was not very well known or understood...”

-PHNCI Respondent

“I don’t think there would be uptake of new states [adopting the FPHS model] without PHNCI.”

-External Respondent

Key Highlight

PHNCI, in collaboration with de Beaumont Foundation, led a critical update of the **10 Essential Public Health Services**. This was revised to center equity and incorporate current and future public health practice.

