



# Project Determination

## PHHS Block Grant Assessment

**Project ID:** 0900f3eb819fe838  
**Accession #:** CSTLTS-PDET-8/20/19-fe838  
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**Organization:** CSTLTS/DPIFS/PDET  
**Status:** Project In Progress  
**Intended Use:** Project Determination  
**Estimated Start Date:** 04/02/19  
**Estimated Completion Date:** 04/30/22  
**CDC/ATSDR HRPO/IRB Protocol#:**  
**OMB Control#:** 0920-1257

### Description

#### Priority

Standard

#### Date Needed

09/27/19

#### Determination Start Date

08/26/19

#### Description

The purpose of this evaluation is to assess select cross-cutting outputs and outcomes of the PHHS Block Grant and demonstrate the utility of the grant on a national level. This evaluation will describe the grant as a whole—not individual grantee activities or outcomes. Findings from this evaluation will be used to 1) describe the outcomes and achievements of grantees’ public health efforts and identify how the use of PHHS Block Grant funds contributed to those results and 2) help assess how the grant advances work of the public health system and provide evidence to support future budgetary requests. The Block Grant evaluation team is using the Block Grant Measurement Framework as an innovative approach to assessing cross-cutting outputs and outcomes resulting from

grantees' use of flexible grant funds. The framework defines a set of measures that enable CDC to standardize the collection of data on grantee achievements. These four measures capture aspects of three cross-cutting outcomes considered to be most important, relevant, measureable, and feasible: 1. Public Health Infrastructure • Measure 1.1. (Information Systems Capacity Improved): Number of state, territorial, tribal, and local agencies whose capacity to collect or enhance data that provide information of public health importance was improved or maintained through the use of PHHS Block Grant funds • Measure 1.2. (Quality Improved): Number of state, territorial, tribal, and local agencies in which the efficiency or effectiveness of operations, programs, or services was improved through the use of PHHS Block Grant funds 2. Emerging Public Health Needs • Measure 2.1. (Emerging Public Health Needs Addressed): Number of emerging public health needs that were addressed through the use of PHHS Block Grant funds 3. Evidence-Based Public Health Practice • Measure 3.1 (Evidence-Based Public Health Interventions Implemented): Number of evidence-based public health interventions implemented through the use of PHHS Block Grant funds

**IMS/CIO/Epi-Aid/Chemical Exposure Submission**

No

**IMS Activation Name**

Not selected

**Select the primary priority of the project**

Not selected

**Select the secondary priority(s) of the project**

Not selected

**Select the task force associated with the response**

Not selected

**CIO Emergency Response Name**

Not selected

**Epi-Aid Name**

Not selected

**Assessment of Chemical Exposure Name**

Not selected

**Goals/Purpose**

The purpose of the PHHS Block Grant evaluation is to assess the value of the program and strengthen program performance and accountability. In addition, evaluation efforts will be used to describe select program outputs and outcomes.

**Objective**

There are 2 overarching evaluation questions that are being addressed by this evaluation: How does the PHHS Block Grant support grantees in addressing their jurisdictions' prioritized public health needs related to Healthy People 2020 objectives? How does the PHHS Block Grant contribute toward the achievement of organizational, systems, and health-related outcomes?

**Does this project include interventions, services, or policy change work aimed at improving the health of groups who have been excluded or marginalized and/or decreasing disparities?**

Not Selected

**Project does not incorporate elements of health equity science**

Not selected

**Measuring Disparities**

Not selected

**Studying Social Determinants of Health (SDOH)**

Not selected

**Assessing Impact**

Not selected

**Methods to Improve Health Equity Research and Practice**

Not selected

**Other**

Not selected

**Activities or Tasks**

New Collection of Information, Data, or Biospecimens

**Target Population to be Included/Represented**

Awardee Program Managers

**Tags/Keywords**

PHHS Block Grant

**CDC's Role**

Activity originated and designed by CDC staff, or conducted at the specific request of CDC, or CDC staff will approve study design and data collection as a condition of any funding provided

**Method Categories**

Survey

**Methods**

Data will be collected using a web-based data collection instrument using Qualtrics®. • Respondents: Respondents include 61 PHHS Block Grant coordinators, or their designees, across 61 health departments funded under the PHHS Block Grant, acting in their official capacities. These respondents represent 50 states, the District of Columbia, 2 tribes, 5 U.S. territories, and 3 freely associated states. • Analysis: Descriptive statistics will be used to analyze quantitative data. Qualitative analyses will be performed on open-ended questions. Responses will be analyzed using Microsoft Excel®.

**Collection of Info, Data, or Bio specimens**

Data will be collected using a web-based data collection instrument using Qualtrics®. Data collection will be conducted biennially, in fall 2019 and fall 2021, via a web-based data collection instrument

**Expected Use of Findings/Results and their impact**

The purpose of this ICR is to assess select cross-cutting outputs and outcomes of the PHHS Block Grant and demonstrate the utility of the grant on a national level. This data collection will describe the grant as a whole—not individual grantee activities or outcomes. Findings from this assessment will be used to 1) describe the outcomes and achievements of grantees' public health efforts and identify how the use of PHHS Block Grant funds contributed to those results and 2) help assess how the grant advances work of the public health system and provide evidence to support future budgetary requests.

**Could Individuals potentially be identified based on Information Collected?**

No

**Will PII be captured (including coded data)?**

No

**Does CDC have access to the Identifiers (including coded data)?**

No

**Is this project covered by an Assurance of Confidentiality?**

No

**Does this activity meet the criteria for a Certificate of Confidentiality (CoC)?**

No

**Is there a formal written agreement prohibiting the release of identifiers?**

No

**Funding**

<b>Funding Type</b>	<b>Funding Title</b>	<b>Funding #</b>	<b>Original Fiscal Year</b>	<b># of Years of Award</b>	<b>Budget Amount</b>
CDC Cooperative Agreement	Support for the Implementation of the PHHS Block Grant Measurement Framework	NU38OT000290 / OT18-1802	2018	5	

**HSC Review****HSC Attributes****Program Evaluation**

Yes

## Regulation and Policy

**Do you anticipate this project will be submitted to the IRB office**

No

## Institutions

Institution	FWA #	FWA Exp. Date	IRB Title	IRB Exp. Date	Funding #
Association of State and Territorial Health Officials	FWA00026823	05/02/23			NU38OT000290 / OT18-1802

## Staff

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## DMP

<b>Proposed Data Collection Start Date</b>	09/30/19
<b>Proposed Data Collection End Date</b>	04/30/22
<b>Proposed Public Access Level</b>	Non-Public
<b>Reason for not Releasing the Data</b>	Other- Findings will be shared with recipients. DMP is not required as not collecting public health data.
<b>Public Access justification</b>	Findings will be shared with recipients. DMP is not required as not collecting public health data.
<b>How Access Will Be Provided for Data</b>	Public access will not be provided. Summary findings will be shared with recipients.
<b>Plans for archival and long-term preservation of the data</b>	

## Spatiality (Geographic Location)

Country	State/Province	County/Region
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## Determinations

Determination	Justification	Completed	Entered By & Role
HSC: <b>Does NOT Require HRPO Review</b>	Not Research / Other  <i>45 CFR 46.102(I)</i>  Program Evaluation	09/05/19	Colman_Laura (mwu4) CIO HSC
PRA: <b>PRA Applies</b>		09/05/19	Wigington_Corinne J. (jgi2) OMB / PRA
ICRO: <b>Returned with No Decision</b>		09/06/19	Zirger_Jeffrey (wtj5) ICRO Reviewer