



Are Georgia's Public Health Districts Involved in PHAB Accreditation Efforts?

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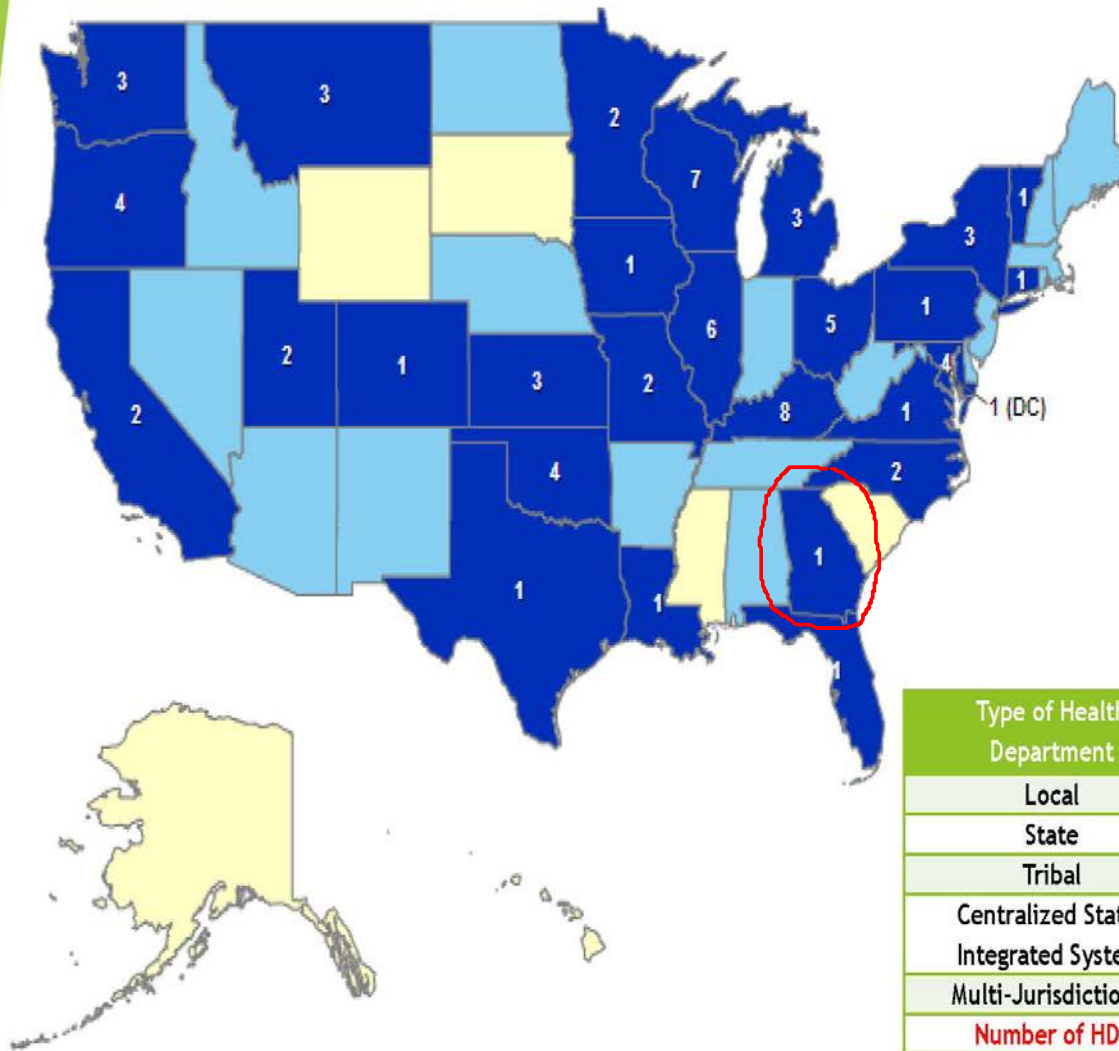
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YES

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Accreditation Activity as of May 15, 2015



Type of Health Department	Accredited	In Process	Total in e-PHAB
Local	67	156	223
State	8	23	31
Tribal	.	2	2
Centralized States Integrated System ⁱ	.	67	67
Multi-Jurisdictional	.	2	2
Number of HDs	75	250	325
Population (Unduplicated)	114,228,157	108,558,725	222,786,882

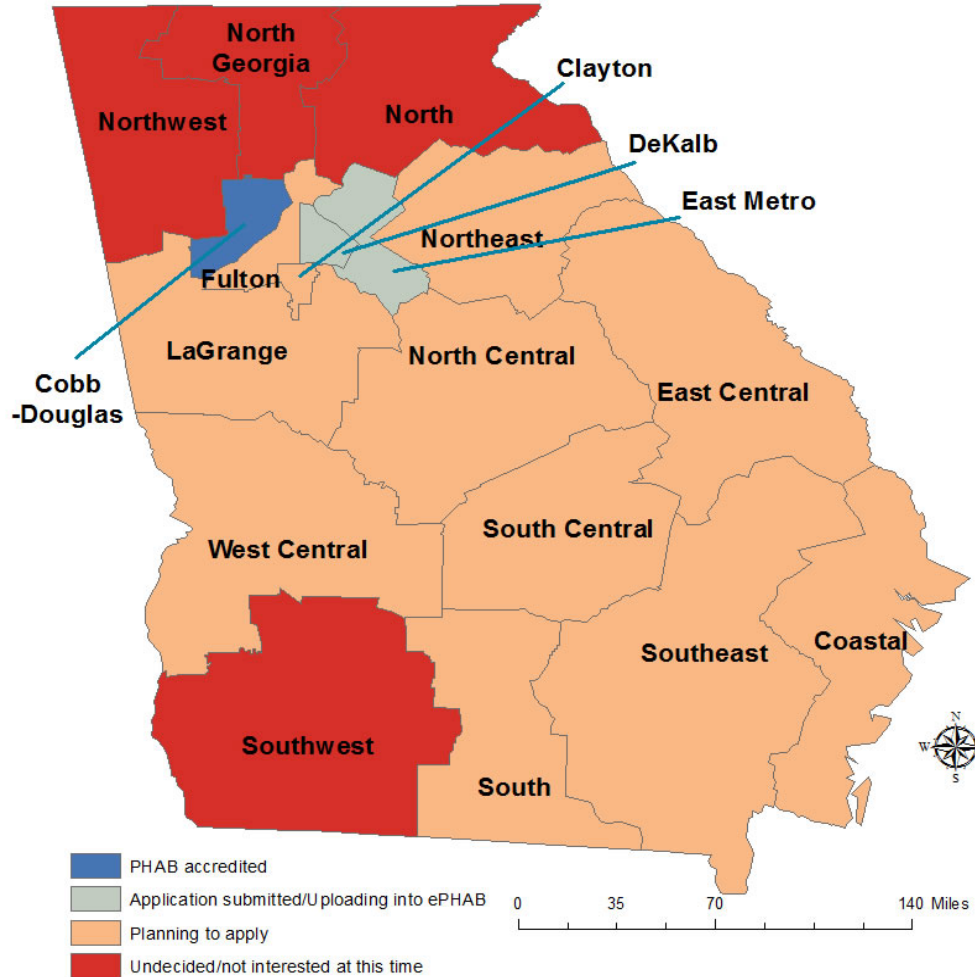
Applicant Names Are Kept Confidential

ⁱSingle accreditation for multiple health departments

Pursuing “District” Accreditation

- District Health Department
 - Single Unit under centralized leadership
 - District Health Director – O.C.G.A. 31-3-15
 - Governing authority – all county BOH’s

Georgia Health Districts Accreditation Readiness, 2015



Map: Jeff Jones, PhD, May 2015, Georgia Southern University
Data Source: Georgia Division of Public Health, June 2006, and Center for Public Health Practice and Research, Georgia Southern University, 2015

What are the districts doing?

PHAB

Accredited

- CELEBRATING!!
- Following SP
- Working towards Yearly Report
- Engaging in CQI
- Continuing to do GREAT public health work

LOI

Submitted

- Completed 3 prerequisites
- In process of uploading documentation
- Engaging in CQI
- Continuing to do GREAT public health work

Planning to

Apply

- Assessing accreditation readiness
- Completing 3 prerequisites
- Identifying documentation
- Reviewing policies and procedures
- Engaging in CQI
- Continuing to do GREAT public health work

District Strengths

- Supportive BOHs.
- Understanding of the benefits of accreditation.
- Clear understanding of the difference between QA and QI.
- Dedicated district and county staff and leadership.
- Initiative to complete the PHAB online training and familiarize team with PHAB website.

Common Barriers

- Lack of funding to support fees.
- Continued need for technical assistance.
- Lack of time and resources to complete prerequisites.
- Lack of personnel dedicated 100% to accreditation efforts.
- Lack of integrated health information systems.

Why Pursue State Accreditation?

- Provides focus for DPH
- Provides framework for decision making
- Aligns activities to match strategies and priorities
- Plans activities to achieve maximum public benefits
- Helps explain what we do & why we do it
- Helps evaluate performance
- Continuous Quality Improvement
- Links to “Good to Great”

DPH Accreditation Team Structure

- Steering Committee (9)
- CHA /CHIP Committee (11)
 - CHA framework
 - Community Engagement
 - Community Health Improvement Planning Process
- 12 Domain Leads
 - Assemble documentation
 - Gap analysis
- Document Review Committee (PHAB Site Visitors) (4)
- QI/Performance Management (1)
 - Establish QI Council/QI Plan
 - Agency wide system

State Timeline

July – August
2015

- Health Status Measures presentation to DPH Board and DHD
- Release draft CHA to public and key stakeholders
- Continue CQI Work and Develop QI Plan
- Identify Documentation Gaps

August –
December 2015

- Conduct Community Forums
- Distribute DPH Public Health System Assessment survey
- Forces of Change discussion
- Present CHA to DPH for final comment and approval

January – June
2016

- Complete CHIP
- Present CHIP to public and key stakeholders
- Finalize Documentation collection

July 2016

- All Prerequisites Complete (CHA, CHIP, SP)
- Complete Documentation Collection

October
2016

- Documentation Review

December
2016

- Submit PHAB Application

How can we work together?

Georgia PHAB Learning Community

What is a Learning Community?

- Group of people who share common learning goals and attitudes, who meet regularly to collaborate and share ideas.

The Beginning

- Born from support from the Healthcare Georgia Foundation
- Accreditation cannot be achieved in isolation
- Work together to increase the quality of public health in Georgia



PHAB LC Topics

- Performance Management
- How to Engage your Community
- Document Organization
- Developing your Domain Teams
- Quality Improvement and QI Plans
- Workforce Development
- CHAs, CHIPs, & SPs

GPHA Annual Meeting

- 7 Learning Sessions
- Varied Audience
- Speakers from:
 - PHAB
 - ASTHO
 - Georgia Southern
 - GA DPH
 - Members of the GA PHAB LC

GPHA Annual Meeting

- State Accreditation Progress Report
- GA PHAB Learning Community
- Team Formation
- Ethics
- QI Roundtables
- Governance
- Performance Management
- Tips for Being a Successful PHAB Applicant
- PHAB Site Visit: From the Site Visitor Perspective

What's Next for Georgia?

- Growth of the GA PHAB LC.
- Continued Accreditation Sessions at GPHA.
- Support from the Healthcare Georgia Foundation.
- Technical Assistance from the Center for Public Health Practice and Research.
- Multiple districts becoming PHAB accredited.

THANK YOU!

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- Questions?

