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FLORIDA PROJECT PUBLIC HEALTH READY (FL PPHR)

Orientation 2011





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FL PPHR Orientation

WELCOME!

This online Orientation is designed to familiarize County Health Department staff with Florida Project Public Health Ready (PPHR).



NACCHO

National Association of County & City Health Officials

The National Connection for Local Public Health



FL PPHR

- PPHR is a tool for developing, documenting and evaluating County Health Department readiness for disasters and emergencies.
- Florida has adapted the National Association of County & City Health Officials' (NACCHO) PPHR model.



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FL PPHR Orientation

After completing this Orientation, you should better understand the:

- Project
- Criteria
- CHD Implementation of PPHR
- Online Tools



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PPHR National History

- **PPHR is a national/state/local collaborative activity, created by NACCHO and funded by CDC.**
- **Project Ready was initiated in 2002.**
- **Its goal is to increase local health department capacity and individual workforce competency.**
- **National criteria are developed by a committee of local public health practitioners.**
- **To date, 198 local health departments in 25 states have been recognized for meeting PPHR standards.**



PPHR Florida History

- FDOH has participated with NACCHO in PPHR from its inception in 2003.
- **27 CHDs** have been nationally recognized for meeting PPHR criteria (<http://www.naccho.org>)
- Florida partnered with NACCHO to implement a state-level coordinated process to assist CHDs
- Florida has integrated **Florida-specific criteria** into the national criteria



FL PPHR Goals

Criteria are based on three core elements:

- **All-Hazards Response Planning**
- **Workforce Capacity Development**
- **Quality Improvement through Exercises and Real Event Response**



FL PPHR Measures

- Each Goal contains associated measures and evidence elements that indicate achievement of that goal.
- PPHR provides a systematic approach to assess and document CHD readiness for emergencies and disasters.



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Goal 1: All-hazards Response Planning

Measure 1: Possession and Maintenance of a Written All-Hazards Response Plan





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Goal 2: Workforce Capacity Development

Measure 2: Training Needs Assessment

Measure 3: Workforce Development Plan

Measure 4: Staff Competency

Measure 5: NIMS Compliance





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Goal 3: Quality Improvement through Exercises and Real Events

Measure 6: Learning and Improving through Responding in an Exercise or Real Event

Measure 7: Comprehensive Exercise Plan





PPHR Benefits

- Project Ready is a framework and tool from which CHDs can comprehensively assess, document and validate capacity for response to any emergency using standard referenced criteria.
- By implementing PPHR, the CHD identifies planning needs and training and exercise gaps.
- The project also provides a quality improvement function for ensuring that departmental requirements are fully documented.



Implementing PPHR

- PPHR provides structure with which a CHD can organize its preparedness efforts.
- Implementation of PPHR in an individual CHD is a 6-12 month process.
- State and local technical assistance is available throughout the process.



Steps for Implementing PPHR

- **Step 1: Review PPHR introductory materials**
- **Step 2: Designate CHD project lead / team members**
- **Step 3: Review Orientation online**
- **Step 4: Submit online Intent Form**
- **Step 5: Request mentor**



Steps for Implementing PPHR

- **Step 6: Host site visit**
- **Step 7: Participate in monthly conference calls**
- **Step 8: Develop CHD application**
- **Step 9: Submit CHD application**
- **Step 10: Celebrate increased preparedness!**



PPHR Resources

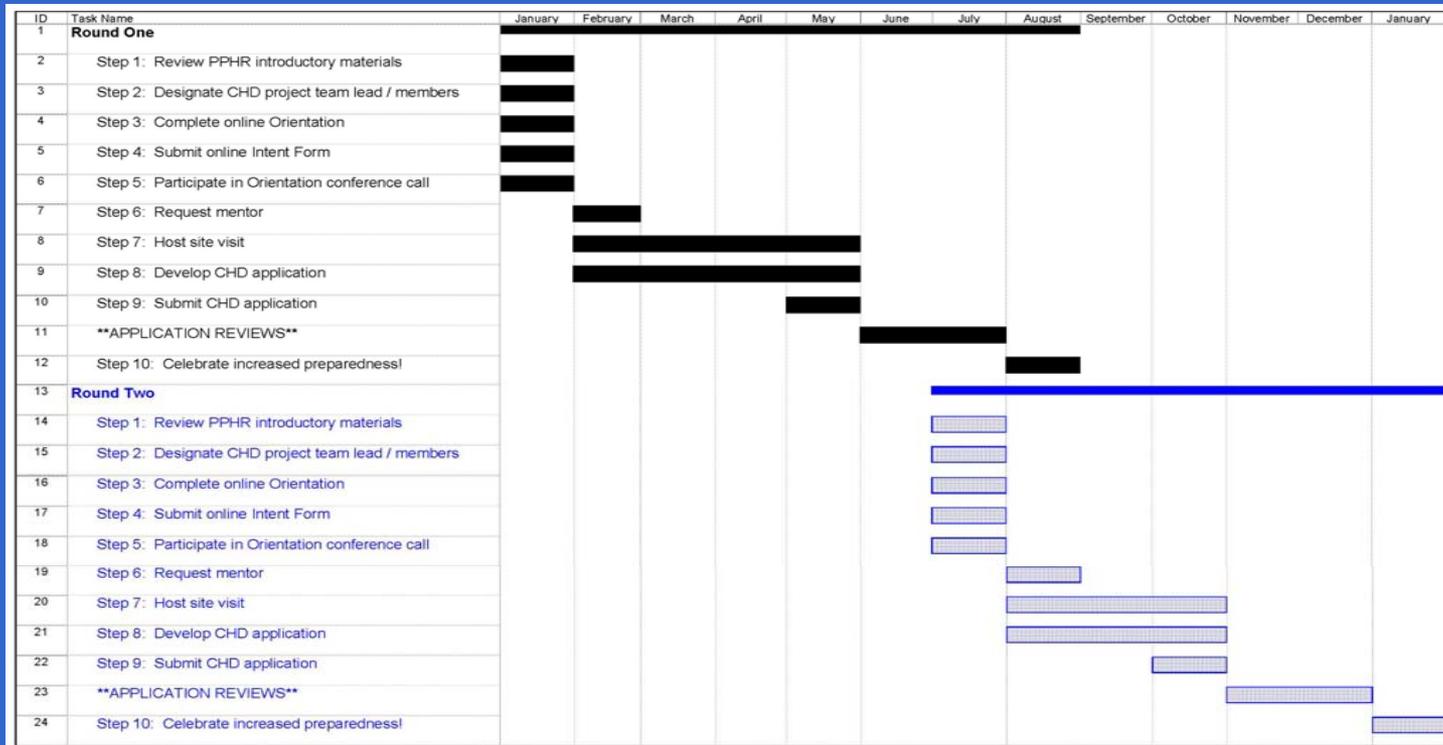
- PPHR Website
- Monthly Conference Calls
- Mentor Assistance
- SharePoint Site:
<http://dsh.sharepoint.doh.ad.state.fl.us/DEMO/PPHR/Shared%20Documents/Forms/AllItems.aspx>
- Live Meeting Work Session
- NACCHO PPHR Toolkit



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Timeline Projections





Florida PPHR Timeline

- **Start Dates:** January and July, each calendar year
- **Flexible submission:** Two review periods per year
- **Florida recertification:** every 2 years
- **NACCHO recertification:** every 4 years



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FL PPHR

For more detailed information or answers to questions about the Florida PPHR process, please contact the FDOH Office of Public Health Preparedness at FLProjectReady@flhealth.gov.

