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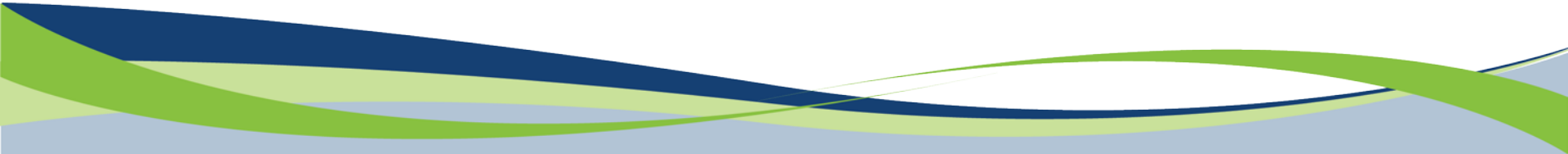
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Public Health Services & Systems Research

A field of study that examines the ***organization***, ***financing***, and ***delivery*** of public health services at local, state and national levels, and the ***impact*** of these activities on public health.

Mays, G. P., Halverson, P. K., & Scutchfield, F. D. (2003). Behind the curve? What we know and need to learn from public health systems research. *J Public Health Management and Practice*, 9(3), 179-182.



Developmental Path for PHSSR

- Measuring practice & performance
- Detecting variation in practice
- Examining determinants of variation
 - Organization – Law & policy
 - Financing – Information
 - Workforce – Preference
- Determining consequences of variation
 - Health outcomes – Medical care use
 - Economic outcomes – Disparities
- Testing strategies to reduce harmful, unnecessary, & inequitable variation in practice & outcomes

Descriptive



Inferential



Translational



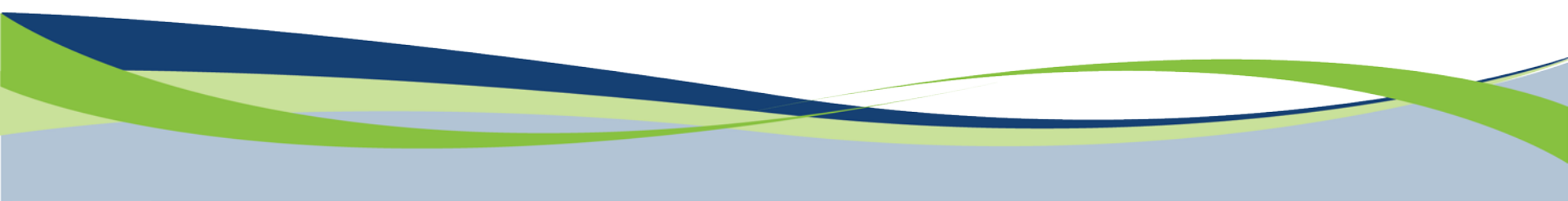
Public Health Foundation Summary of PHSSR Research Needs

- Organization and structure
- Finance
- Workforce
- Technology, data and methods
 - CDC-PHSR and Workforce Agendas
 - Council on Linkages-Workforce and Research Gaps
 - NACCHO, Accreditation, Credentialing and Certification
 - Univ. of Pittsburgh-Rural PHSR

✓ Available at www.phf.org/link/research.htm



Why PHSSR Needs a New Agenda

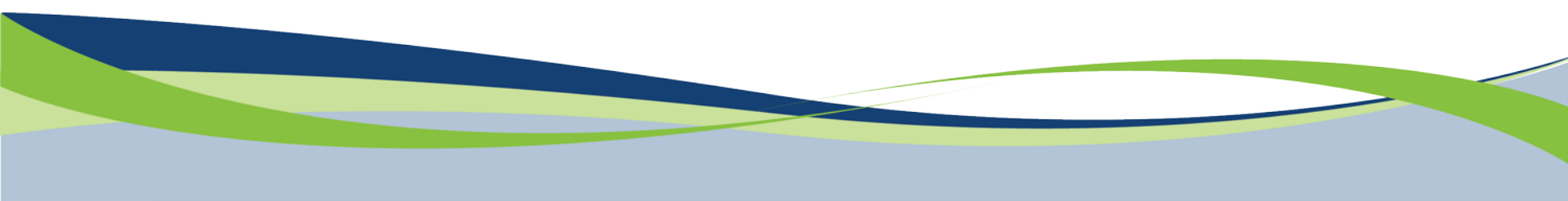
- We have some research agendas, but many are out-of-date and need upgrading
 - ACA has a lot of opportunity for PHSSR, we must carpe diem
 - How do we get interest from Feds other than CDC, like NIH's CTSA and AHRQ work with Comparative Effectiveness & HIT
 - We need to use new & more robust methodology for our efforts
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PHSSR Systematic Review

PHSSR field experts conducted a comprehensive systematic review targeting the following areas:

1. Public Health Workforce
2. Organization/Structure
3. Technology/Data Methods
4. Quality Improvement

Drafting the PHSSR Research Agenda

- A new research agenda draft was completed through a series of webinars between RJWF, CDC, and NCC PHSSR
 - The Webinars targeted the four areas covered by the targeted systematic reviews
 - The discussions were facilitated to develop and discuss key areas of research and research questions that have utility to the practice community.
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PHSSR Research Agenda Development

To gain feedback from the research and practice community – the PHSSR Research Agenda is being vetting at different venues:

- Keeneland Conference (April 2011)
- AcademyHealth PHSR IG (current – June 2011)
- NACCHO Annual Meeting (July 2011)
- Online Virtual 30-day vetting process (TBD)

PHSSR Research Agenda Dissemination

- Pending publication
- Widespread dissemination
- Document process
 - Help assure practice community the process, and results were/are robust
- Historical value to future researchers



That's All Folks Questions?

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