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Community Health Needs Assessment

Is the regular and systematic collection, analysis and dissemination of information on the health of the community:

- informs service provision
- set and assess goals
- lay the foundation for policy development
Community Diagnosis

Community Diagnosis and Treatment

1. Talking with the community about their problems
2. Reviewing relevant data about the character of the community
3. Ask about specific health issues and resources in the community
4. What is the history and content for health care services in the community
PATCH

- **Planned Approach To Community Health.**
- A cooperative program of technical assistance managed and supported by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC).
- Designed to strengthen state and local health departments' capacities to plan, implement, and evaluate community-based health promotion activities targeted toward priority health problems.

For more info, visit: [Patch: Its Origin, Basic Concepts, and Links to Contemporary Public Health Policy](#)
Five phases of PATCH

1. Mobilizing the community
2. Collecting and organizing data
3. Choosing health priorities
4. Developing a comprehensive intervention plan
5. Evaluating PATCH
APEX/PH

Assessment Protocol for Excellence in Public Health

Created by the National Association for City and County Health Officials (NACCHO) in collaboration with CDC.

For more info, visit: http://www.naccho.org/topics/infrastructure/APEXPH/index.cfm
APEX/PH
Three Parts

Establish the leadership role of the health department in the community.

Asses the organization & management of the health department.

Provide a framework for working with community members and other organizations to assess the health status of the community.

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MAPP

- Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnership.
- Developed by NACCHO with support from CDC.
- Not an agency-focused assessment tool.
- Rather, an interactive process that can improve the efficiency, effectiveness, and ultimately the performance of local public health systems.
Community Asset Mapping

“The process of intentionally identifying the human, material, financial, entrepreneurial and other resources in the community.”

(Bonner Curriculum: Community Asset Mapping)
Community Asset Mapping

Three levels of assets available in all communities, per Kretzmann and McKnight:

- Individuals
- Associations
- Institutions
Community Asset Map

Kretzmann & McKnight, *Building Communities From the Inside Out.*
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