



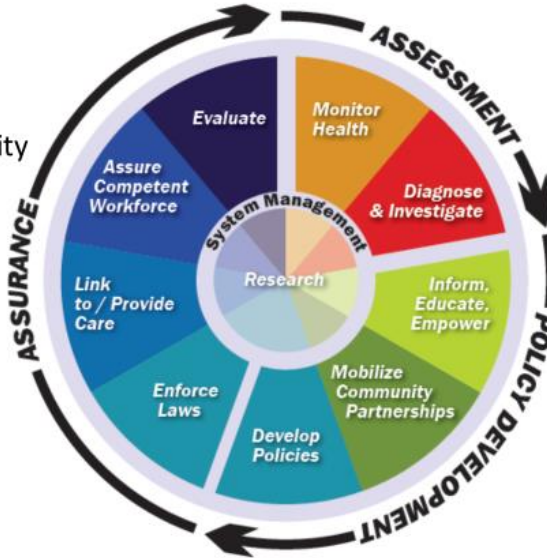
# Local Public Health System Assessment

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Destination 2027 is Arlington County’s community health improvement process. Its goal is to improve health and equity over the next decade (2017-2027) through systems change. The Local Public Health System Assessment (LPHSA) is one of four Destination2027 assessments. It identifies opportunities to improve local public health system (LPHS) performance to better community health.

Fifty local public health system partners were invited to evaluate how the Arlington local public health system (LPHS) is performing compared to ten national performance model standards created by NACCHO (see image). Each model standard consists of essential services that all LPHS should perform. Partners also assessed how important each model

**Assurance**  
Assure that services in the community are available



**Assessment**  
Collect, analyze and interpret data

**Policy Development**  
Using data, develop strategic approaches to improve the health of the community

standard was to improving the LPHS, and how ready the LPHS was to address each model standard to improve or sustain LPHS performance. The three tiers of model standards shown below were identified at the end of the assessment process as system-specific issues that are most ready for action to improve the Arlington LPHS.

TIER 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ES 7.2 Assure Linkage: <i>The LPHS assures the linkage of people to personal health services when otherwise unavailable.</i></li> </ul>
TIER 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ES 4.2 Community Partnerships: The Arlington LPHS partners with community groups to identify and solve health problems that may impact the populations served.</li> <li>ES 9.1 Evaluation of Population Health: The LPHS evaluates the population health services that impact the health of the populations served.</li> <li>ES 2.2 Investigation and Response to Public Health Threats and Emergencies: The LPHS investigates and responds to public health threats and emergencies that may impact the health of the populations served.</li> </ul>
TIER 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ES 3.2 Health Communication: The Arlington LPHS communicates about health to improve the health of the populations served.</li> <li>ES 2.1 Identifying and Monitoring Health Threats: The LPHS identifies and performs surveillance of (health) threats that may impact the health of the populations that you serve.</li> <li>ES 4.1 Constituency Development: The Arlington LPHS develops constituencies to identify and solve health problems that may impact the health of those people we serve.</li> <li>ES 5.4: Planning for Public Health Emergencies: The Arlington LPHS plans for emergencies that may impact the health of the populations served.</li> </ul>