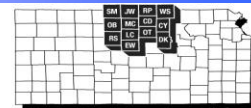


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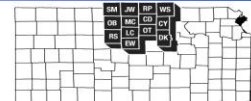
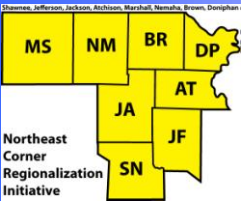


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NACCHO Project Regional Cooperation and the Kansas Connection

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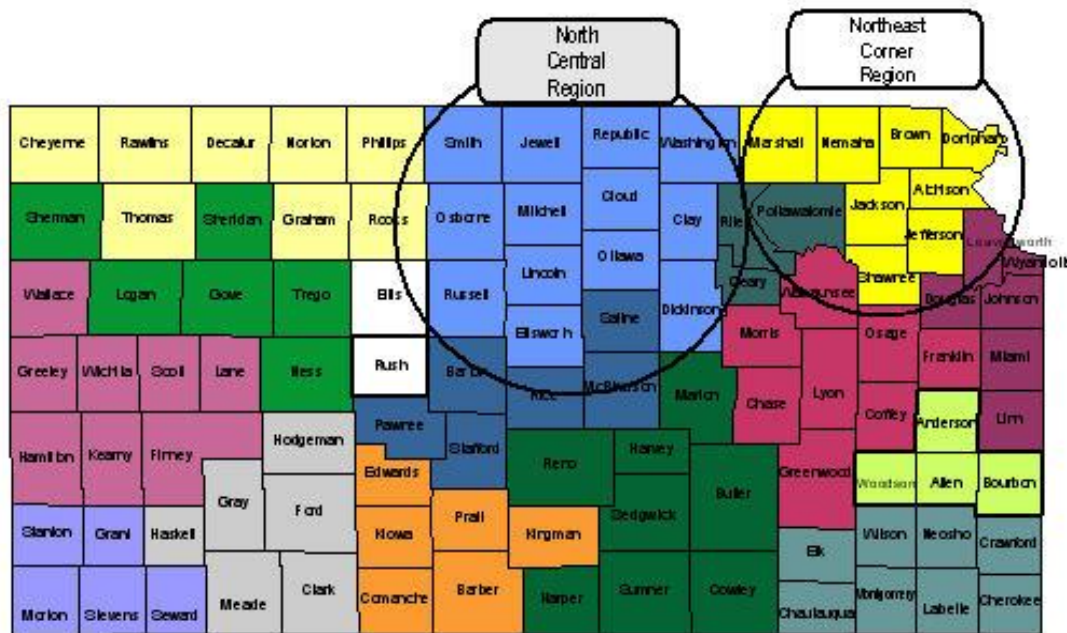
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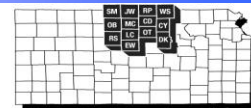
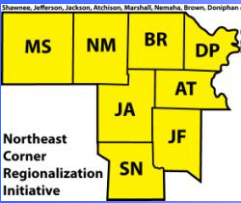
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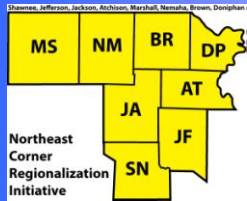
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Regional Cooperation

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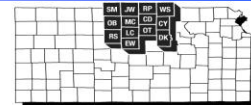
Explores a way to provide essential public health services to the people and communities we serve

Allows local leaders to determine own solutions while ensuring all the people in county have health protected and monitored through a basic level of public health services



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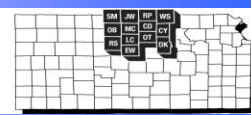
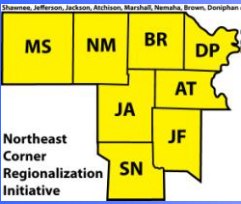
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WHY *REGIONAL COOPERATION?*

Increased efficiencies

Increased access to public health services

Quality improvement



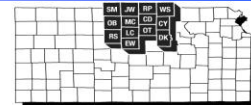
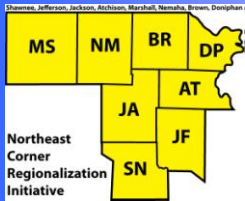
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1. Monitor health status and understand health issues facing the community.



2. Protect people from health problems and health hazards.





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3. Give people the information they need to make healthy choices.

**Accumulating
River Sludge
Threatens Bay**

*Harford Dam Could Become
Too Full to Confine Muck*

City wants lead-paint funding back

**U.S. HIV Cases Soaring
Among Black Women**

Social Factors Make Group Vulnerable

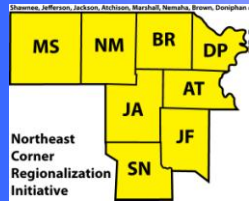
**Task force urges
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Pope Hospitalized With Flu Complications

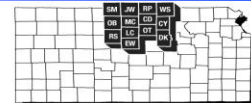
4. Engage the community to identify and solve health problems.





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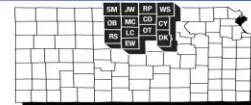
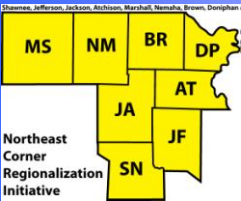
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6. Enforce public health laws and regulations.



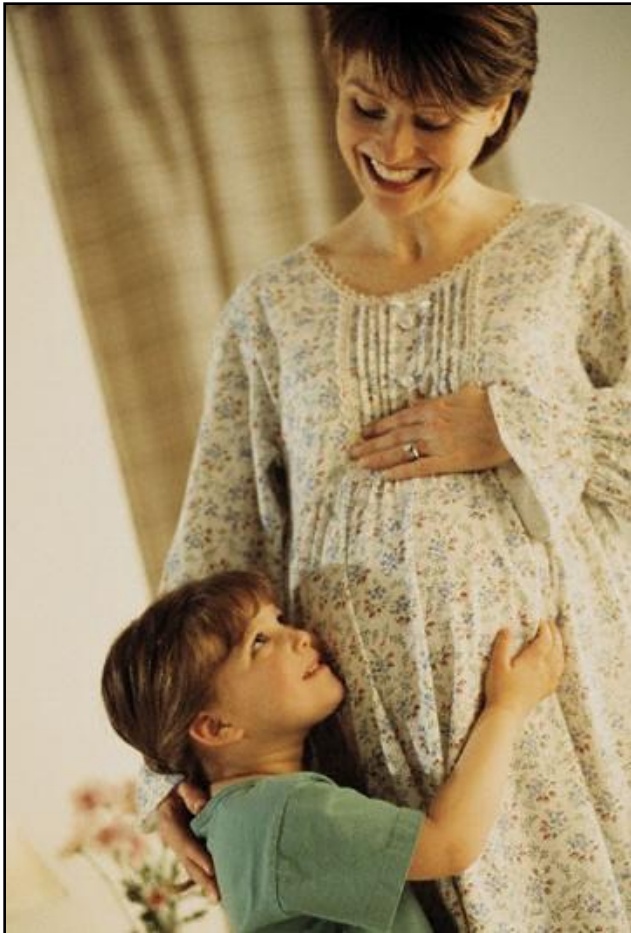
5. Develop public health policies and plans.

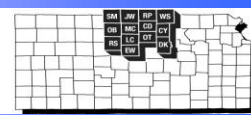
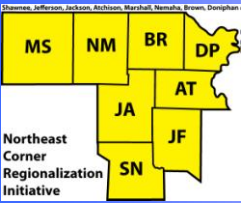




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7. Help people receive health services.

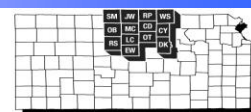
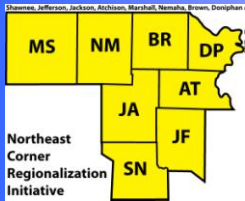




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8. Maintain a competent public health workforce.





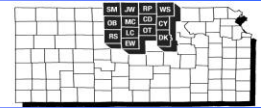
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9. Evaluate and improve programs and interventions.





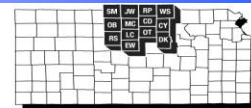
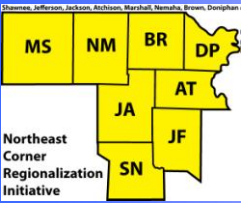
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10. Use and contribute to the evidence base of public health.

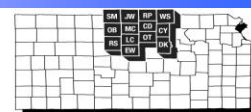
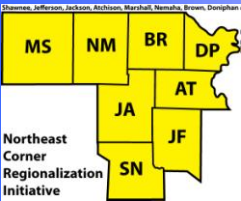




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“Public health is a complex concept, but the Operational Definition can help dispel the mystery. Eventually public health can be recognized and valued even when—*particularly* when—things are going well.”

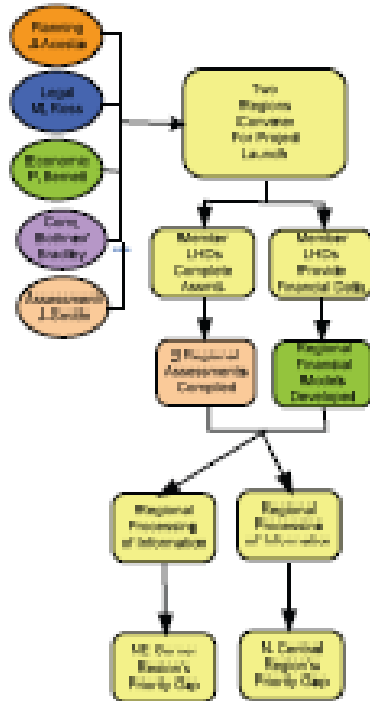
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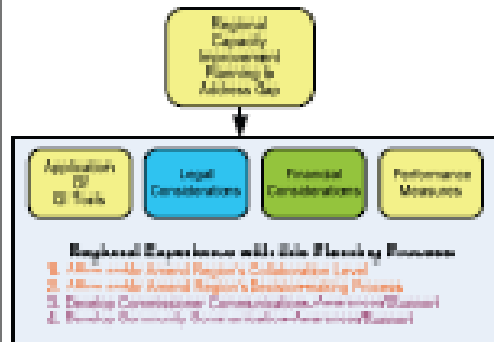
NACCHO Project

Phase I
Create Vision for PH Region
Applying the Operational Definitions
Within the context of
"Functional Regionalization"



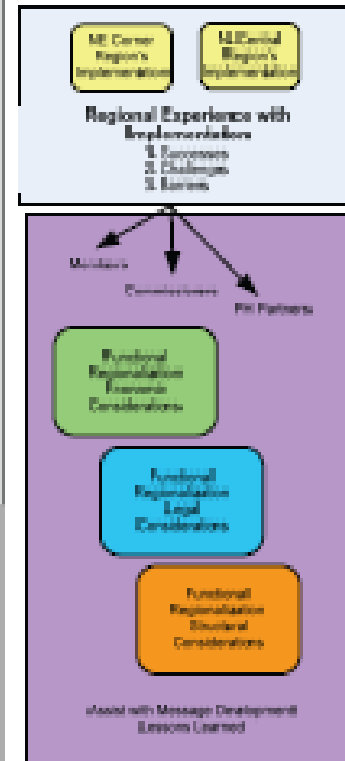
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Phase II
Develop/Refine Region's Processes for
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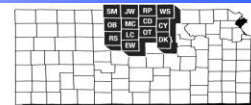
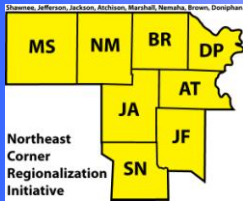


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Phase III
Share Lessons Learned



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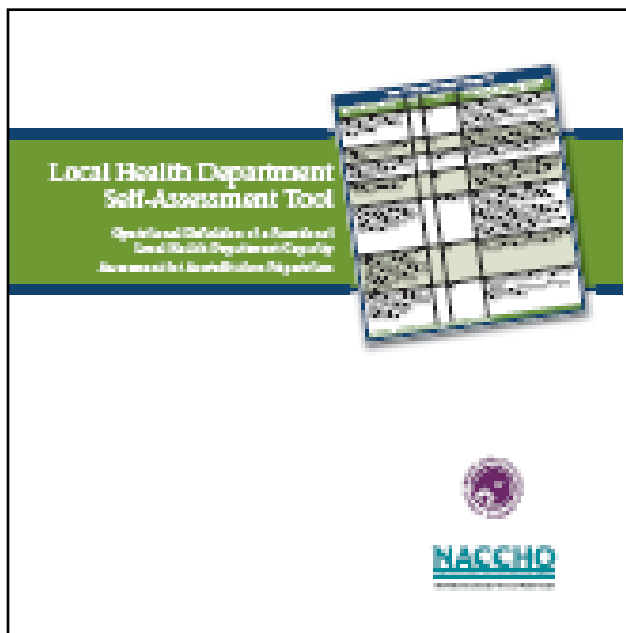


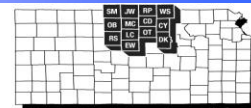
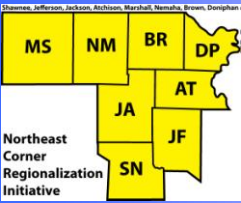
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Phase I Assessment

The Tool

Operational Definition
Indicator Development
Metrics

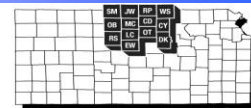
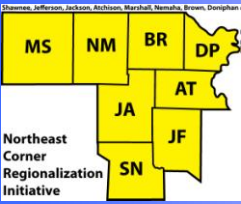




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Phase I - Assessment

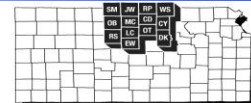
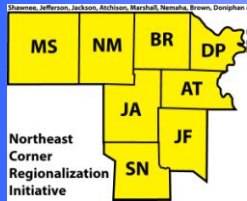
- Results of the assessment tool were placed into “topic area”
- “topic areas” tended to be throughout the tool and having capacity in one topic area, enabled us to have adequate capacity in many essential service standards.
- For example, a community health needs assessment and/or plan.
- Capacities in many essential services would be raised to an adequate capacity if a community needs assessment was completed.
- Completing a Community Needs assessment would allow health departments to adequate capacity in Assessment and Planning, Various Data components, evaluation of and access to public and private health services, stakeholder involvement and engagement and the ability to create an internal strategic plan.



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Assessment Results

- Each region meet with Assessment Consultant to review the results of the compiled assessment
- Provided opportunity to review and discuss results
- See regional strengths and gaps



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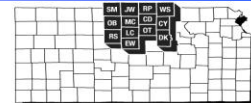
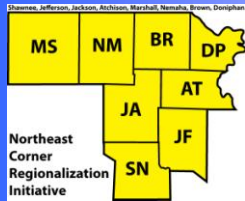
North Central Capacities

Strengths

Gaps

- Many quality public health services are being provided.
- Best Practices identified in areas such as program planning, budgeting and financial planning across the region.
- As a result of limited resources, some of the health departments already utilize contracts and collaborative relationships to fill gaps in capacity.
- All Counties have strong capacity for Essential Services II and VIII.

- Data
- Evaluation & Program Planning
- Policy & Legislative Process
- Relationships with Academia
- Communication
- Community Health Needs Assessment & Health Improvement Plan
- Internal Strategic Plan
- Access & Linkage to Care
- Legal Review & Regulatory Activities



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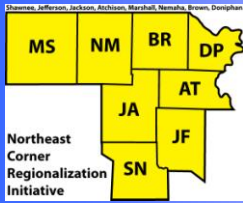
Northeast Capacities

Strengths

- Emergency Planning
- Community & Stakeholder Involvement
- Access & Linkage to Care

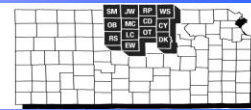
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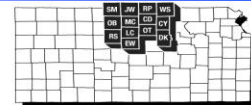
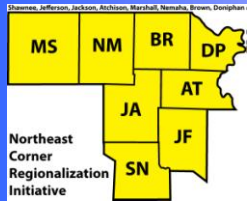
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PHASE II Planning



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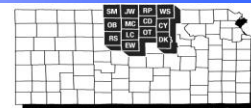
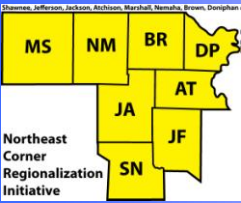
Using Quality Improvement tools we drilled down through the data and determined that “Communication”.

Community Health Assessment/Health Improvement Plan also scored as a high priority but it was felt that communication would be something that was needed and could lay the groundwork for preparing communities and funding sources.

A goal statement was developed from asking these questions of our coalition -

“What do we want to accomplish/what value will there be from a regional communication project?

Who is the target audience?

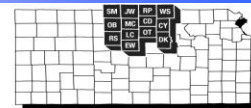
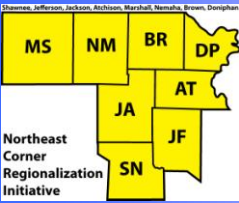


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North Central - Planning

Project Goal Statement

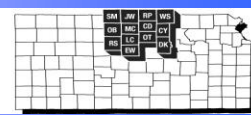
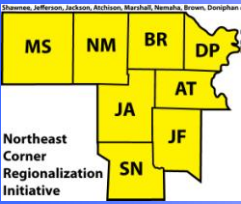
To develop a regional communication plan for use as an education tool to provide an accurate credible source of information to improve health outcomes, help define what public health is, what resources are needed and services are provided.



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Northeast - Planning

- Series of 3 meetings held with consultants
- Several regional level meetings held to continue discussions
- Quality Improvement Tools applied to decision making process



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Northeast – Planning

Meeting 1

Identified 5 Key Gaps –

- Data
- Internal Workforce
- Community Health Needs Assessment
- Communication
- Relationship with Academia



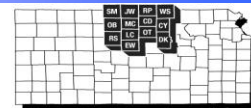
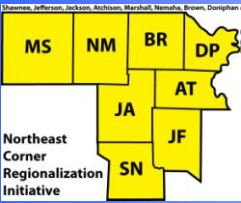
Meeting 1a

Identified Gap to address – Data

Use QI Tools to identify –

- 5 Why's
- PMI – (Plus, Minus, Interesting)





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Northeast - Planning

Meeting 2 Goal/Purpose

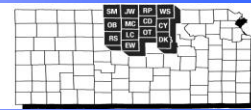
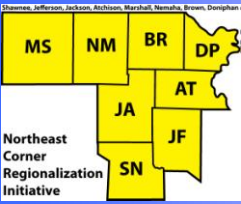


Develop system/plan to gather, compile, and integrate (local) data already available in a consistent manner across the region (example: MCH childhood injuries data), and identify consistent source where each county is getting the counts (hospital or other organization).

Meeting 2a

Identified potential data sources

Identified “program focus” to address Data issue

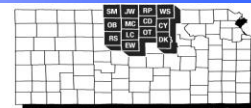
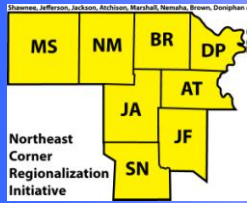


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Meeting 3

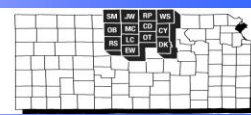
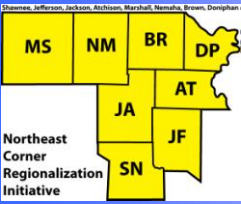
Review of draft Strategic Plan to address Data Capacity...



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Utilizing QI Tools

- Focused on topic
- Able to dig to root of item
- Assisted with decision-making
- Improved decision-making

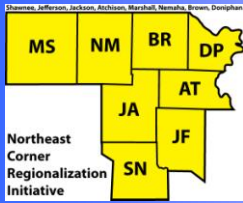


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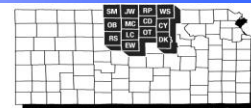
Options –

1. Full functionality within a Local Health Department
2. Consolidation of Departments to achieve full functionality
3. **Regional Cooperation –**
Group of Local Health Departments working collaboratively to achieve accreditation standards that is economically sustainable and politically viable



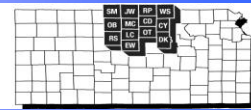
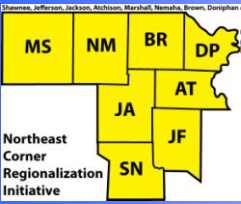
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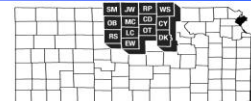
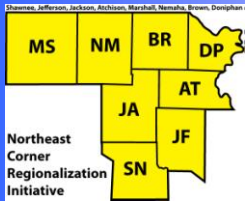
Accreditation- Can It Work Regionally?



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Future Capacities to Address Regionally

- Community Health Needs Assessments
- Relationships with Academia
- Strategic Planning
- Evaluation and Program Planning



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