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Annual Reporting Requirements

The Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH) is a private non-profit corporation established in 1974 by the American Public Health Association (APHA) and the Association of Schools of Public Health, now known as the Association of Schools and Programs of Public Health (ASPPH). The articles of incorporation were adopted by the two associations, which became the original corporate members of the new organization. The articles specified CEPH's purposes as follows:

- (a) Improving the quality of education in public health schools, institutions, and programs through accreditation, certification, approval, and related activities which publicly attest compliance with defined standards; including particularly the accreditation of graduate schools of public health.
- (b) Otherwise encouraging improvement in the quality of education in public health through conduct of research, provision of consultation, distribution of publications, support of demonstrations, definition of standards, development of sanctions, sponsoring of examinations, and other appropriate means related to accreditation, certification, and approval activities.
- (c) Assuring an independent mechanism for the conduct of these accreditation and related activities under joint sponsorship of professional and educational organizations comprising the corporation membership.

The articles of incorporation ascribed broad powers and responsibilities to the governing body of the newly established organization. One of the obligations specified in the charter was a requirement that CEPH annually call a meeting of the corporation membership at which duly designated representatives of those organizations would meet with the Council to receive its annual report. This report, which reviews the activities of calendar year 2016, is submitted in response to that requirement.

About CEPH

The Council on Education for Public Health is a private, non-profit corporation chartered under provisions of the District of Columbia Non-Profit Corporations Act. It is recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as a 501(c)(3) organization and by the State of Maryland as an organization exempt from local income and sales taxes. No organizational or structural changes took place during 2016 that would affect this status.

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Letter from the President



Dear Friends and Colleagues,

The Council on Education for Public Health is pleased to share its 2016 annual report, which shows the continued demand for quality education in public health.

2016 was a busy and exciting year for CEPH. The Council made accreditation decisions on the first standalone baccalaureate program applicants in June. This was an important step in a longstanding initiative to ensure the quality of education in public health at all degree levels.

The Council also completed its criteria revision process for graduate-level schools and programs. The Council adopted new criteria in October and developed an implementation plan. The implementation plan includes the development of technical assistance documents and templates; the training of all site visitors; and both in-person and online workshop opportunities for all schools and programs. Over 300 attendees from approximately 150 institutions attended the kickoff event, the Criteria Rollout Meeting in Denver, Colorado on October 30th.

We sincerely appreciate the engagement of the academic and practice community alike in these efforts. Achieving our mission of assuring quality education in public health is only possible with the support of our many partners. The Council would also like to thank its more than 130 dedicated volunteers who contribute countless hours to the accreditation process.

We hope you find this report informative and comprehensive. Questions and comments are always welcome.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rose Marie Martinez". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Rose Marie Martinez, ScD
President

Board of Councilors

The articles of incorporation establish a 10-member Board of Councilors as the governing body of CEPH. Members of the governing body are appointed either singly or jointly by the two corporate members.

APHA appoints three members to the Council, and those representatives are expected during their tenure as councilors to be "primarily involved in the practice of public health or in the conduct of related health services."

ASPPH appoints three members, and its delegates are to be "drawn from the faculty, administration or student body of schools of public health."

The remaining four councilors are jointly appointed by the corporate members on the recommendation of the CEPH governing body.

Two of these positions represent the interests and concerns of the general public; public members may not be affiliated with an academic institution that has a school or program of public health. The remaining two positions represent the programs accredited by CEPH. These candidates are nominated after broad solicitation of relevant organizations. During 2016, the Council was composed of the following individuals:

Representing Public Health Practice Term Ending

Joyce R. Gaufin 2018
Executive Director (Ret.)
Healthinsight
Dammeron Valley, UT

Stephen A. Martin, Jr., PhD, MPH 2016
President & CEO
Accreditation Association for Ambulatory
Health Care
Skokie, IL

Rose Marie Martinez, ScD 2017
Senior Board Director
Institute of Medicine
Washington, DC

Representing the Public Term Ending

Nanette Lee Reynolds, EdD 2018
Former Director
Michigan Department of Civil Rights
Smyrna, GA

Jean P. O'Brien, PhD 2017
Professor of Psychology
King's College
Wilkes-Barre, PA

Representing Schools of Public Health Term Ending

John R. Finnegan, Jr, PhD 2018
Dean
University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, MN

Iman Hakim, MD, PhD, MPH 2017
Dean, Mel and Enid Zuckerman
College of Public Health
University of Arizona
Tucson, AZ

Donna J. Petersen, ScD, MHS 2016
Dean, College of Public Health
University of South Florida
Tampa, FL

Representing Programs Term Ending

Ruth Gaare Bernheim, JD, MPH 2017
MPH Program Director
University of Virginia
Charlottesville, VA

Stephanie Miles-Richardson, DVM, PhD 2017
MPH Program Director
Morehouse School of Medicine
Atlanta, GA



Committees & Council Meetings

Executive Committee

During 2016, the following councilors served as officers of the corporation and as members of the Executive Committee:

President: Donna Petersen, MHS, ScD, CPH

Vice President: Nanette Lee Reynolds, EdD

Secretary: Rose Marie Martinez, ScD

Treasurer: Ruth Gaare Bernheim, JD, MPH

The Executive Committee met seven times in 2016 either via conference call or face-to-face in conjunction with Council meetings. The committee also functions as a finance committee. As such, it performs regular monitoring of CEPH financial matters, adopts annual fee schedules and initially reviews and assists with budget development. The

Executive Committee is empowered to act for the Council between regular CEPH meetings; it considers substantive change notices and other routine accreditation-related business, freeing the Council meetings for discussion of substantive matters.

Nominating Committee

The Council appointed one ad hoc committee in 2016. The Nominating Committee typically consists of councilors who are not eligible for reappointment to the Council and/or former Council members. The committee proposes the next slate of CEPH officers. In 2016, Dr. Donna Petersen and Dr. Stephen Martin served as committee members. The committee presented—and the Council voted to accept—the new slate of officers for 2017. These four officers make up the Executive Committee.

2016 Council Meetings

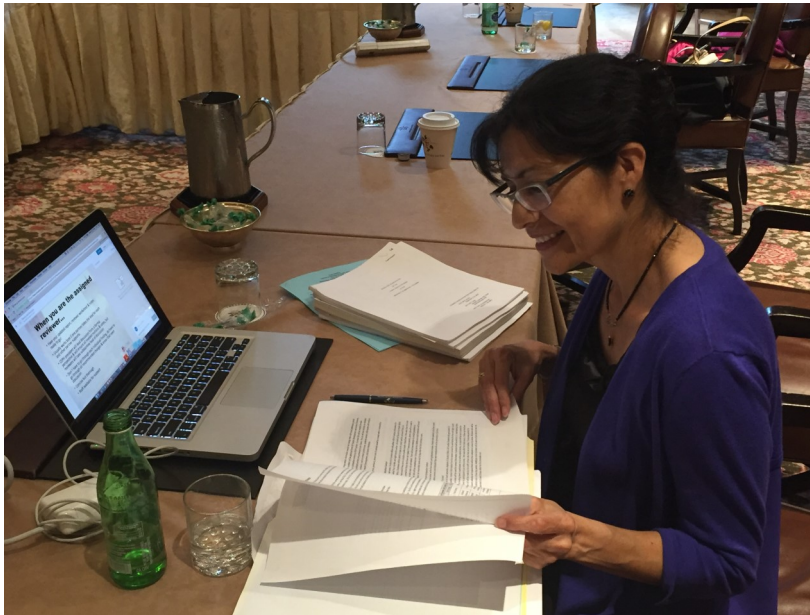
Regular business meetings engage the Councilors in accreditation-related actions—accreditation reviews, interim reports, substantive change notices—and policy-related matters such as the adoption of criteria, policies, procedures and internal practices. The Council also provides oversight for the management of the agency.

In 2016, the major work of the Council focused on ensuring that accreditation criteria for schools and programs reflect profession-wide developments about the educational model for public health degree programs.

The Council conducted three business meetings in 2016. The first was the winter meeting on January 22-23 in San Juan, Puerto Rico. The winter meeting typically focuses

on current policy matters. At this meeting, the Council reviewed stakeholder comments related to the draft criteria. They considered the comments and made adjustments to the draft criteria and released those for further comment in February.

The Council held its spring meeting and its meeting with corporate sponsors on June 15-18 in New Orleans, Louisiana. Dr. Georges Benjamin represented APHA and Dr. James Raczynski and Dr. Harrison Spencer represented ASPPH at the meeting. The Council held its fall meeting on October 6-8 by teleconference, after its original plan to meet in Florida was disrupted by Hurricane Matthew.



Volunteers

CEPH's most valuable asset is the cadre of dedicated individuals who contribute their time, effort and expertise to serve as Council members and site visitors. Including time devoted to the CEPH board and related meetings, site visits and site visitor training, the total estimated value of

contributions of volunteers during 2016 was \$690,000. This is the amount CEPH would have had to pay professionals to carry out similar functions at modest rates of pay. The following individuals served as on-site evaluators during 2016:

PRACTITIONERS	
Nina L. Alesci, PhD, MPH Analyst Blue Cross of Minnesota Medicare STARS Program Minneapolis, MN	Martha E. Alexander, PhD, MA, MPH Workforce and Career Development Specialist Centers for Disease Control and Prevention National Ctr on Birth Defects & Developmental Disabilities Atlanta, GA
Adele R. Amodeo, MPH Senior Health Policy Consultant Public Health Institute Albany, CA	Kelly L. Bishop, MA, MCHES, FASHA Public Health Advisor Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Program Development and Implementation Branch Atlanta, GA
Wendy E. Braund, MD, MPH, MEd, FACPM Former Director Wyoming Department of Health Cheyenne, WY	Sharon Cameron, MPA Director of Health & Human Services City of Peabody Peabody, MA
Joan P. Cioffi, PhD Associate Director, Learning Office (Ret) Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Office of Public Health Preparedness and Response Atlanta, GA	David T. Dyjack, DrPH, CIH Executive Director National Environmental Health Association Denver, CO
Justin Frederick, MPH, CPH Supervisor, Communicable Disease Epidemiology Douglas County Health Department Omaha, NE	Frederick W. Fridinger, DrPH, MS Chief, Strategic and Proactive Communication Branch Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Division of Communication Services Atlanta, GA
Kristin H. Hill, MSHSA, BSN Public Health Consultant Rhinelander, WI	Claude-Alix Jacob, MPH Chief Public Health Officer Cambridge Public Health Department Cambridge, MA
Cynthia Kenyon, MPH Epidemiologist Supervisor Minnesota Department of Health Vaccine Preventable Disease Surveillance St. Paul, MN	Susan McCarthy, MPH, CHES Public Health Advisor Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Education and Training Services Branch Stone Mountain, GA

Volunteers (cont.)



PRACTITIONERS (cont.)

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Chief, Leadership Development Activity
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Human Capital and Resources Office
Atlanta, GA

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Health Agent
Salem Board of Health
Salem, MA

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Senior Staff Attorney
Director, Tobacco Prevention & Cessation Program and
Chronic Disease Prevention Program
Massachusetts Association of Health Boards
Winchester, MA

Mary Helen Smith, MPH, CPH, RS, REHS
Director of Environmental Health
Portage County Combined General Health District
Ravenna, OH

Matthew Stefanak, MPH
Former Health Commissioner
Mahoning County Health District
Pulaski, PA

Alison R. Sullivan, MPH
Senior Public Health Consultant
Deloitte Consulting, LLC
Washington, DC

Kim Marie Thorburn, MD, MPH
Former Medical Director
Planned Parenthood of the Inland Northwest
Former Director
Spokane Regional Health District
Spokane, WA

David H. Trump, MD, MPH, MPA, FACPM
Chief Deputy Commissioner for Public Health and
Preparedness (Ret.)
Virginia Department of Health
Midlothian, VA

Steven J. Ward, MA, MPH, REHS/RS
Former Director of Public Health
Watertown Board of Health
Worcester, MA

Felicia M. Warren, MPH, CHES
Public Health Advisor
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
National Center for Injury Prevention and Control
Division of Violence Prevention, Surveillance Branch
Atlanta, GA

Volunteers (cont.)

ACADEMICS

Cheryl L. Addy, PhD
Vice Provost and Dean of Graduate School
University of South Carolina
Columbia, SC

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Public Health Division Chief
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University of Pittsburgh
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Charles B. Hamilton, DrPH, MPH
Former Director
MPH Program
University of Tennessee
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Carl Hanson, PhD, MS, MCHES
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Department of Health Science
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Cynthia M. Harris, PhD, DABT
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Volunteers (cont.)

ACADEMICS (cont.)

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Rensselaer, NY

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Volunteers (cont.)

ACADEMICS (cont.)

Sara S. Plaspohl, DrPH, CHES
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MPH Program in Community Health Education
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Savannah, GA

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University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences
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Iowa City, IA

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College of Public Health
University of Georgia
Athens, GA

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Vice Chair, Department of Family and
Community Health
University of Maryland at Baltimore
Baltimore, MD



Students from the MPH program at Tennessee State University.

Management & Administration

Staff

CEPH employs a highly qualified staff. Accreditation staff members hold graduate degrees in public health from accredited schools and programs and possesses a diverse array of training, educational backgrounds and professional experience. All staff support schools and programs in their efforts to become accredited.



Laura Rasar King serves as executive director, providing overall leadership to CEPH. Her continued focus is to bridge the gap between the needs of the public health workforce and academic public health.



Mollie Mulvanity serves as the deputy director and supervises the accreditation staff. She manages the accreditation process and staffs site visits and conducts consultation visits with schools and programs.



Kristen Varol serves as the director of accreditation services. She oversees accreditation timelines, schedules site visits and staffs site visits and conducts consultation visits with schools and programs.



Nicole Williams serves as the communications director and senior accreditation specialist. She staffs site visits, conducts consultation visits. She also manages the CEPH website and other external communication efforts.



Samantha-Rae Dickenson serves as a senior accreditation specialist. She staffs site visits, conducts consultation visits. She serves as the lead staff member for standalone baccalaureate programs.



Yessenia Castillo serves as an accreditation specialist. She provide staff support on site visits to schools and programs and assists in CEPH training activities for schools, programs and site visitors.



Alisha O'Connell serves as an accreditation specialist. She provide staff support on site visits to schools and programs and assists in CEPH training activities for schools, programs and site visitors.



John Conklin serves as the office manager. He is responsible for the day-to-day operation of the office. He manages CEPH finances, records and files. He is also responsible providing logistical and planning support for board meetings.

Management & Administration (cont.)

Administrative Services

CEPH retained Quality Bookkeeping in Manassas, Virginia, to perform bookkeeping, accounting and payroll functions. All agency funds are now held in SunTrust Bank, BB&T Bank and Sandy Spring Bank. CEPH also retains consultants to assist with specialized administrative services such as computer networking and web design support.

Sources of Financial Support

The Council's income derives from a combination of contributions and fees. During 2016, APHA contributed \$93,937 in unrestricted feesto CEPH. Accredited schools of public health paid approximately \$367,575 in support fees and accredited public health programs paid approximately \$396,175 in support fees. Additional fees, are charged when a school or program undergoes its periodic reevaluation, begins the applicant process or seeks consultation. Total revenues during 2016 from contributions, fees for specific services, interest and miscellaneous sources amounted to \$1,310,677 (including reimbursement for travel expenses of site visitors and consultants).

Budgeting and Financial Planning

The Council adopted a budget for calendar year 2016 in the amount of \$1,271,987. Budget planning takes into account anticipated review

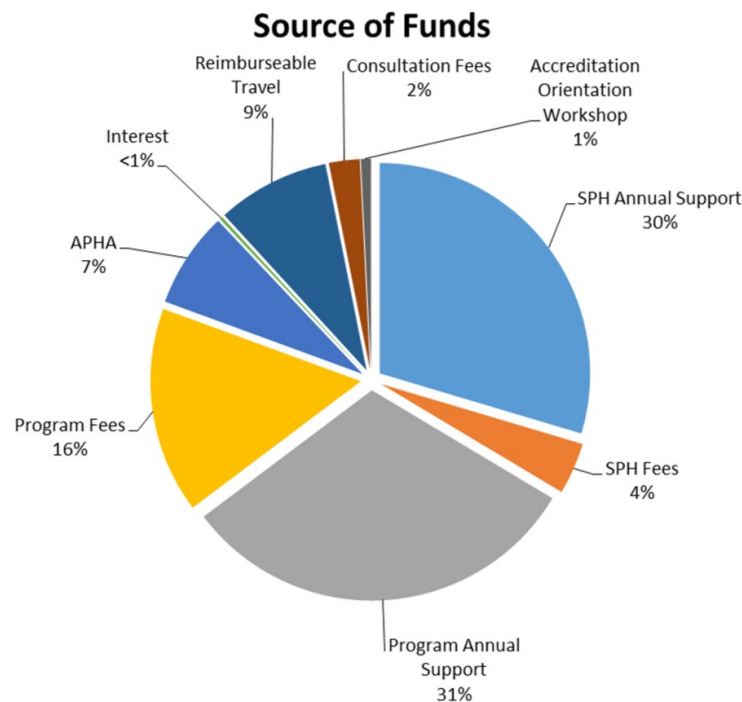
workloads and expected inflation, as well as the organization's policy about maintaining reserves. Actual expenditures for the year were slightly higher than budgeted, approximately \$1,370,401 (including travel reimbursements). CEPH ended the year with \$876,293 in cash reserves, amounting to approximately 64% of the operating expenses that year. The Council follows a policy of maintaining reserves equal to at least six months of operating expenses.

The APHA Executive Board approved a new funding agreement for July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017 of \$95,327.

Each summer, the CEPH Executive Committee establishes a fee schedule that will be applicable for the following year. The annual support fees for already accredited schools and programs increased for 2017. Applicant, accreditation and consultation fees remained the same as the 2016 level.

Audit of CEPH Accounts

The accounting firm of Neuman, Pollack and Associates, P.A. was retained to conduct an independent audit of CEPH's financial records for 2016. A copy of the audited financial statement is a part of this annual report to the corporate members.



Training

Accreditation Orientation Workshop

On July 28-29, CEPH held its annual Accreditation Orientation Workshop in Washington, DC. This workshop is required of all applicant schools and programs and recommended to those schools and programs undertaking the re-accreditation process within a two-year period. The two-day workshop opened with an afternoon plenary and break-out self-study sessions. Attendees were invited to an evening networking reception followed by a full day of self-study sessions and roundtable discussions conducted by CEPH staff.

The workshop provides an introduction to CEPH, detailed information about conducting a self-study and hosting a site visit, as well as instruction about required reporting after the award of accreditation. The session also offers the opportunity for schools and programs to exchange information about common challenges and to interact with CEPH staff. The workshop is intended to clarify CEPH processes and requirements and to answer frequently asked questions.

Thirty-six individuals representing five standalone baccalaureate programs, 14 public health programs and four schools of public health attended the workshop in 2016.



2016 Site Visits

On-site evaluation visits by teams of qualified reviewers are the primary basis by which the CEPH governing body is informed about the schools and programs it accredits. Typically, teams arrive on site the evening before the visit and spend two or three days interviewing university officials, administrators,

program faculty, students, alumni and community partners. They also review documents and view facilities and resources. The last component of the visit is an exit briefing. During 2016, CEPH conducted visits at the following 33 schools and programs:

Jan 22-23	East Carolina University SBP Chair: Matthew Stefanak, MPH	Jan 25-26	University of Nevada Reno PHP Chair: Amy Lee, MD, MPH, MBA, CPH
Mar 3-4	Clemson University SBP Chair: Kelly Bishop, MA, MCHES, FASHA	Mar 7-8	Brigham Young University PHP Chair: Charles Hamilton, DrPH, MPH
Mar 17-18	Western Kentucky University PHP Chair: Sara Plaspohl, DrPH, CHES	Mar 21-22	Western University PHP Chair: Kristine Tollestrup, PhD, MPH
Mar 31-Apr 1	William Paterson University SBP Chair: Matthew Stefanak, MPH	Apr 4-5	Tufts University PHP Chair: Kim Marie Thorburn, MD, MPH
Apr 7-8	University of Southern Maine PHP Chair: Kristin Hill, MSHSA, BSN	Apr 11-12	SUNY—Cortland SBP Chair: Cheryl Addy, PhD
Apr 14-15	Southern Connecticut State University PHP Chair: C. William Keck, MD, MPH, FACPM	Apr 18-20	City University of New York SPH Chair: Craig Blakely, PhD, MPH
Apr 20-22	Georgia Southern University SPH Chair: Chris Atchison, MPA	Apr 28-29	Syracuse University SBP Chair: Carl Hanson, PhD, MS, MCHES
May 5-6	Thomas Jefferson University PHP Chair: Patricia Nolan, MD, MPH	May 9-10	North Dakota State University PHP Chair: Kristin Hill, MSHSA, BSN



2016 Site Visits (cont.)



May 16-17	Wayne State University PHP Chair: Nannette Turner, PhD, MPH	May 19-20	Dartmouth Geisel School of Medicine PHP Chair: David Trump, MD, MPH, MPA, FACPM
Jun 6-7	Southern Illinois University, Carbondale PHP Chair: Kim Marie Thorburn, MD, MPH	Jun 16-17	Hofstra University PHP Chair: Martha Alexander, PhD, MA, MPH
Sept 15-16	University of New England PHP Chair: Patricia Nolan, MD, MPH	Sept 28-30	Oregon Health & Science University/ Portland State University SPH Chair: Kim Marie Thorburn, MD, MPH
Oct 3-4	Consortium of Eastern Ohio PHP Chair: Cynthia Harris, PhD, DABT	Oct 10-11	University of Nebraska Medical Center SPH Chair: Joan Cioffi, PhD
Oct 17-18	Ohio State University SPH Chair: Tanya Uden-Holman, PhD	Oct 17-18	University of Wisconsin—Milwaukee SPH Chair: J. Jack Barnette, PhD, MA
Oct 24-25	La Salle University PHP Chair: Diane Marie St. George, PhD	Nov 7-8	Lenoir-Rhyne University PHP Chair: Michael Barnes, PhD, MCHES
Nov 10-11	American Public University System PHP Chair: Adele Amodeo, MPH	Nov 16-18	National Taiwan University SPH Chair: Susan Allan, MD, JD, MPH
Nov 17-18	Northeastern University PHP Chair: Susan Wozenski, MPH, JD	Nov 29-30	Morgan State University PHP Chair: Sara Plaspohl, DrPH, CHES
Dec 5-7	Loma Linda University SPH Chair: Richard Kurz, PhD	SBP: Standalone Baccalaureate Programs PHP: Public Health Programs SPH: Schools of Public Health	

Accreditation Decisions

During 2016, the Council took final actions on the following 42 accreditation reviews, of which 13 were new applicants and two were transitions from the program to school category of accreditation. Each review followed an on-site evaluation and the preparation of a written report.

Brigham Young University PHP was accredited for a seven-year term, extending to December 31, 2023. Interim reporting was required.

Brown University SPH was accredited for a five-year term, extending to July 1, 2021. Interim reporting was required.

Clemson University SBP was accredited for a five-year term, extending to December 31, 2021. Interim reporting was required.

Colorado School of Public Health SPH was accredited for a seven-year term, extending to July 1, 2023.

City University of New York SPH was accredited for a seven-year term, extending to December 31, 2023.

Dartmouth University - Geisel School of Medicine PHP was accredited for a seven-year term, extending to December 31, 2023. Interim reporting was required.

Des Moines University PHP was accredited for a seven-year term, extending to July 1, 2023. Interim reporting was required.

East Carolina University SBP was accredited for a five-year term, extending to July 1, 2021. Interim reporting was required.



George Washington University SPH was accredited for a seven-year term, extending to July 1, 2023. Interim reporting was required.

Georgia Southern University SPH was accredited for a seven-year term, extending to December 31, 2023. Interim reporting was required.

Georgia State University SPH was accredited for a five-year term, extending to July 1, 2021.

Hofstra University PHP was accredited for a five-year term, extending to December 31, 2021. Interim reporting was required.

Idaho State University PHP was accredited for a seven-year term, extending to July 1, 2023. Interim reporting was required.

Mount Sinai Icahn School of Medicine PHP was accredited for a seven-year term, extending to July 1, 2023.



Accreditation Decisions (cont.)

North Dakota State University PHP was accredited for a five-year term, extending to December 31, 2021.

Northern Illinois University PHP was accredited for a seven-year term, extending to July 1, 2023. Interim reporting was required.

Rutgers University SBP was accredited for a five-year term, extending to July 1, 2021. Interim reporting was required.

Saint Louis University SPH was accredited for a seven-year term, extending to July 1, 2023. Interim reporting was required.

Southern Connecticut State University PHP was accredited for a seven-year term, extending to December 31, 2023. Interim reporting was required.

Southern Illinois University - Carbondale PHP was accredited for a two-year probationary term, extending to July 1, 2018.

SUNY - Cortland SBP was accredited for a five-year term, extending to December 31, 2021. Interim reporting was required.

SUNY - Downstate Medical Center SPH was accredited for a seven-year term, extending to July 1, 2023. Interim reporting was required.

Syracuse University SBP was accredited for a five-year term, extending to December 31, 2021. Interim reporting was required.

Temple University PHP was accredited for a one-year term, extending to July 1, 2017. Interim reporting was required.



Accreditation Decisions (cont.)

Thomas Jefferson University PHP was accredited for a seven-year term, extending to December 31, 2023.

Tufts University School of Medicine PHP was accredited for a seven-year term, extending to December 31, 2023. Interim reporting was required.

Université de Montréal PHP was accredited for a one-year term, extending to July 1, 2017. Interim reporting was required.

University of Alabama at Birmingham SPH was accredited for a seven-year term, extending to July 1, 2023. Interim reporting was required.

University of California, Berkeley SPH was accredited for a seven-year term, extending to July 1, 2023. Interim reporting was required.



CEPH site visitors Kelly Bishop and David Gregorio with accreditation specialist, Alisha O'Connell.

University of Connecticut PHP was accredited for a seven-year term, extending to July 1, 2023. Interim reporting was required.

University of Missouri, Columbia PHP was accredited for a seven-year term, extending to July 1, 2023. Interim reporting was required.

University of Nebraska Omaha SBP was accredited for a five-year term, extending to July 1, 2021. Interim reporting was required.

University of Nevada - Reno PHP was accredited for a seven-year term, extending to December 31, 2023. Interim reporting was required.

University of North Carolina, Wilmington SBP was accredited for a five-year term, extending to July 1, 2021.

University of North Dakota PHP was accredited for a five-year term, extending to July 1, 2021. Interim reporting was required.

University of Southern Maine PHP was accredited for a five-year term, extending to December 31, 2021. Interim reporting was required.

University of Tennessee PHP was accredited for a seven-year term, extending to July 1, 2023. Interim reporting was required.

Wayne State University PHP was accredited for a seven-year term, extending to December 31, 2023.

West Chester University PHP was accredited for a seven-year term, extending to July 1, 2023. Interim reporting was required.

Western Kentucky University PHP was accredited for a seven-year term, extending to December 31, 2023. Interim reporting was required.

Western University (Canada) PHP was accredited for a five-year term, extending to December 31, 2021.

William Paterson University SBP was accredited for a five-year term, extending to December 31, 2021. Interim reporting was required.

CEPH Trademark

CEPH Trademark

The Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH) has registered its name and acronym with the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

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Site visitors and faculty at the National Taiwan University site visit.

Applications

Five requests from educational institutions desiring to begin the accreditation evaluation process were received in 2016. In anticipation of the revised criteria, applications from programs of public health and schools of public health were not accepted in the fall of 2016.

With the exception of the currently accredited schools and programs in transition to other accreditation categories, these schools and programs do not appear on the published CEPH list

until after a site visit and a favorable decision is made about accreditation. Applicants have up to two years to undertake a self-study and submit a self-study document; the on-site visit is scheduled about five months later. However, applicants may be ready to proceed more quickly and may negotiate earlier site visit dates.

Newly approved applicants include the following schools and programs:

Grand Valley State University
MPH Program
Self-study due by June 18, 2018

Marshall University
MPH Program
Self-study due by June 18, 2018

New York University
School of Public Health (transition from PHP)
Self-study due by June 18, 2018

University of Northern Iowa
BA in Health Promotion
Self-study due by June 18, 2018

American University
BA and BS in Public Health
Self-study due by October 7, 2018

The status of applicants, including the due date of the preliminary self study, the scheduled site visit dates and the anticipated decision date, is continuously updated on the CEPH website: <http://ceph.org/accredited/applicants/>



Deputy Director, Mollie Mulvanity exploring with student guides (left) and meeting with faculty (right) during the Sun Yat Sen University consultation visit in China.

CEPH Criteria Rollout



Accreditation Matters

US Department of Education Recognition

CEPH is recognized by the United States Department of Education (USDE). Recognition by the US Department of Education (USDE) is essential to establishing eligibility of accredited schools and programs for certain federal funds. Recognition requires that an accrediting agency meet specific criteria and guidelines and that there be a periodic review and recertification of the qualifications of an accrediting body.

Recognition is conferred for periods up to five years. CEPH was reviewed in December 2013 and, following this review, the Secretary of Education notified CEPH that its recognition had been extended for a five-year period with no required interim reporting.



Participation in ASPA

CEPH was a founding member and continues as an active participant in the Association of Specialized and Professional Accreditors (ASPA), a national organization of approximately 60 specialized accrediting agencies that provides membership services, including professional development for

staff, and advocates on behalf of the specialized accrediting community.

CEPH's executive director participates actively in ASPA and has served on several committees and task forces in past years. She served as chair of ASPA's Board of Directors from May 2014 through May 2017. She also serves on the Education Policy Committee, which closely monitors policy developments related to the US Department of Education as well as the Council on Higher Education Accreditation. The committee ensures that the perspectives of specialized and professional accreditors are considered in national policy discussions.



As chair of ASPA, Ms. Rasar King served as a liaison for programmatic accreditation with the US Department of Education staff and she regularly visits members of Congress to discuss the important role of accreditation in the professions. Under her leadership, the Good Practice Task Force was established, and ASPA released a report on how programmatic accreditors use student outcomes in the accreditation process. In 2016, ASPA published a risk management toolkit for accreditors.

Ms. Mollie Mulvanity, deputy director, was elected in 2015 to serve as co-chair of the ASPA Professional Development Committee. In this role, she plans and leads educational programming for ASPA members at their bi-annual meetings. ASPA is the primary source for professional development among the staff of programmatic accreditors, and CEPH encourages participation in these educational opportunities for all staff.

CEPH is proud to be a national leader in specialized and professional accreditation.



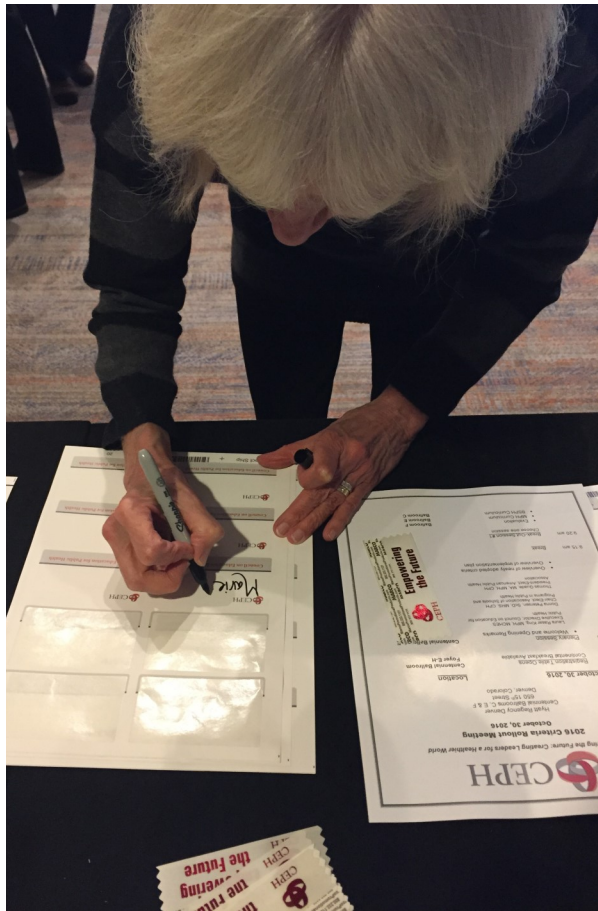
CEPH Executive Director, Laura Rasar King, testifying at the National Advisory Committee on Accreditation and Quality Improvement Council (NACIQI) meeting.

Looking Ahead to 2017

2017 promises to be a busy and exciting year for CEPH.

The Council will accept its first applicants under the 2016 revised criteria. CEPH has adopted an implementation plan for the new criteria and in 2017 the Council will focus on providing technical assistance to schools and programs as they implement the new criteria. Priority activities will include training all site visitors and providing workshop opportunities for all schools and programs. These opportunities will include multiple offerings of the Accreditation Orientation Workshop, in an effort to provide guidance to the first schools and programs writing self-studies in response to the 2016 criteria, and regular technical assistance webinars.

The Council will also hold a final public comment period on the revised Accreditation Procedures before its anticipated adoption in June. CEPH will begin to provide additional trainings, such as Pre-Application Orientation Workshops, to schools and programs interested in making an initial application submission.



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