

## How do the IVP Standards and Indicators relate to Public Health Accreditation?


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## Public Health Accreditation

- Demonstrates the capacity of the public health department to deliver the three core functions and 10 essential services of public health
  - Focus: Agency capacity, rather than program-specific standards







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## One component of Accreditation: Documentation selection and submission

**EXAMPLE:**

**Domain 1, Standard 1.4**

**Measure:** Use data to recommend and inform public health policy, processes, programs, and/or interventions.

**Potential documentation examples:** Meeting minutes, changes to health department web site, documented program improvements, or a revised or new policy or procedure.





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### Documentation for IVP Standards and Indicators

**EXAMPLE:**

**Standard V:** The local health department utilizes data to inform and strengthen its capacity to address the causes of injury and violence across the lifespan.

**Indicator:** The IVP program utilizes data to develop sound IVP programming and evaluate current IVP efforts.

**Potential method of documentation:** Documentation of how data have been used to establish prevention priorities and programs, and to conduct evaluation.



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### Relationship between Accreditation and S&I

- Documentation required for the IVP S&I can be used to meet *some* of the documentation requirements of Accreditation.
- However, Accreditation requires documentation from more than just a single program.
- Thus, S&I documentation can *support* Accreditation but, on its own, is not *sufficient* for Accreditation.
- Additionally, S&I can help LHDs to strengthen programs identified as areas of weakness.



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### Important Distinctions

- S&I is a self-assessment and quality improvement tool, rather than an official recognition system.
- Accreditation seeks to improve *agency* capacity, rather than *program-specific* capacity.



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### Next Steps for the S&I

- Crosswalk S&I with Accreditation
- Create *systems* capacity assessment tool
- Pilot the tool with LHDs



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