## BUILDING THE PUBLIC HEALTH SYSTEM OF THE FUTURE

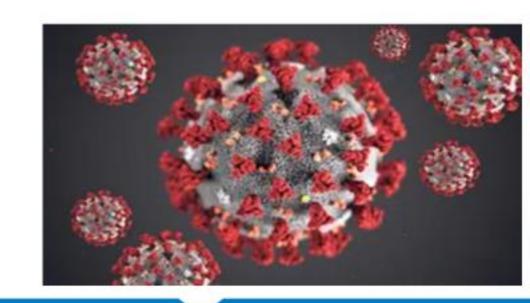
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### The Practice Environment For Public Health Today

- A renewed focus on Infectious diseases
- Social determinants visible as an underlying health factor
- Health risks globalized
- Aging and more diverse population





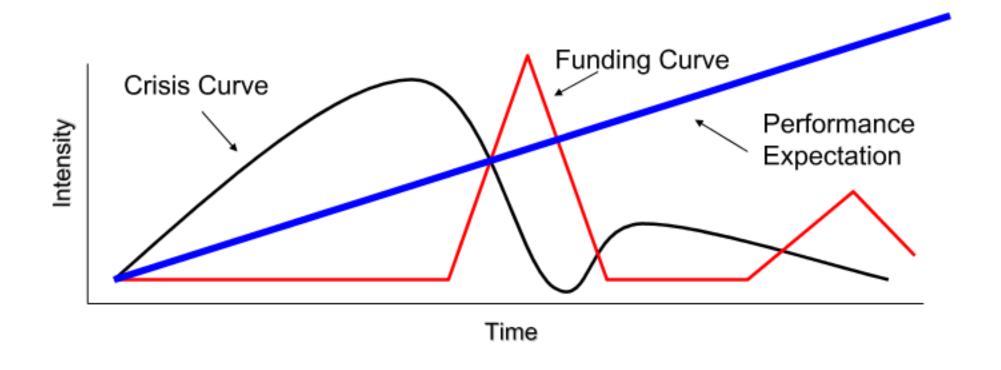
### The Practice Environment For Public Health Today

- Social media & Internet now drives health behavior
- Disruptive technologies abound
- Public health is now visible
- Health policy now <u>VERY</u> political

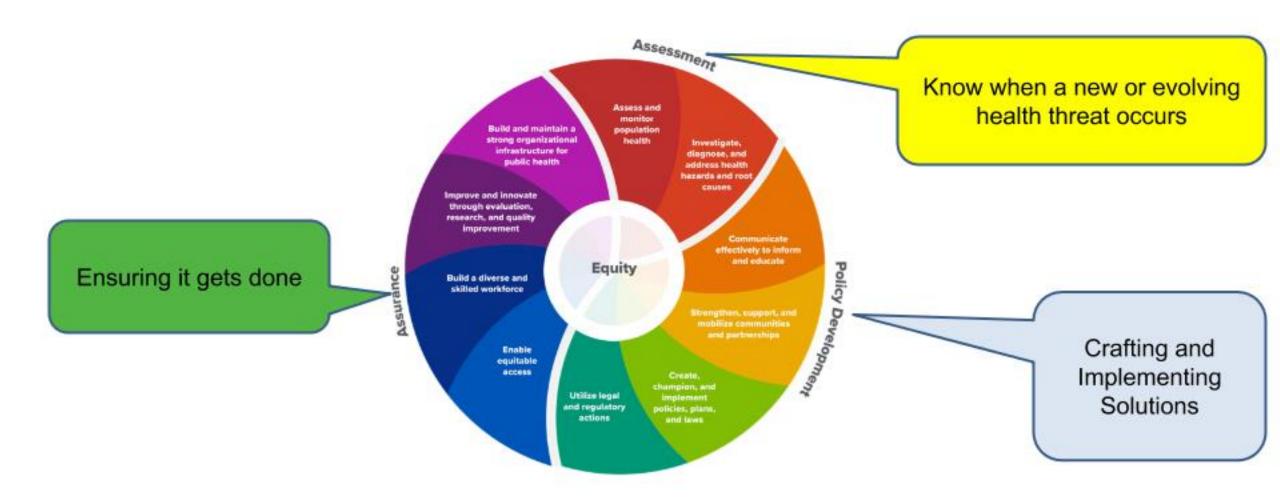




## Public Health Still Operates In An Incongruent Fiscal Environment



### Basic work has not changed





# Innovations To Building A Robust and Sustainable Public Health System

- The Chief Health Strategist
- Structured to deliver 10 essential services
- Timely actionable data systems
- Harmonize statutory authorities across jurisdictions
- Adequate & sustainable funding
- Vibrant, cross-sector partnerships
- Accountable accredited systems





# What If We Built Our Public Health Systems To Improve Health Using Innovative Approaches





#### **Asthma: A Common Clinical Condition**

- Asthma is a common environmental sensitive condition
- Minorities disproportionably impacted
- Asthma attacks a significant barrier to school attendance
- Must know root cause of poor control by clinical & social determinates
- Allows one to craft broad solutions that address both





### An Unrecognized Outbreak

Hospital ED - A

1 case poorly controlled

Asthma

Uninsured

Hospital ED - D

2 cases poorly controlled

Asthma

Medicaid - Insurer

10 Hospital ED

**Asthma Cases** 

Hospital ED - C

4 cases poorly controlled

Asthma

BC/BS - insurer

Hospital ED - B

3 cases poorly controlled

asthma

Aetna - Insurer



#### **Enter Public Health**

- Health department notified
- Epidemiological investigation done
  - All cases occurred in kids going to the same school
  - Variance in where they lived
  - All resulted in school absence on similar days
- No single hospital or insurer would pick this up because of small sample size in each ED



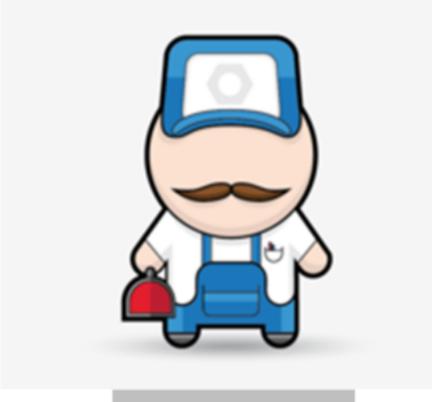


### All Kids Ride On Same Bus





## Coordinated Community Resources Using Hero's Beyond Health Care



**Bus mechanic** 

- School system
- Private hospital
- Public health
- Transportation
  - ü Reduced ER visits
  - ü Dollars saved
  - ü Health Improved & less disparity
  - ü Less school absenteeism
  - ü Transportation safer



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