**PHAB Accountability Metrics Subcommittee**

**Metrics selection criteria**

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Purpose: Provide standard criteria used to evaluate metrics for inclusion in the set of public health accountability metrics.

Criteria can be applied in two phases:

1. Community priorities and acceptance
2. Suitability of measurement and public health sphere of control

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| Phase 1: Community priorities and acceptance |
| Selection criteria | Definition |
| Actively advances health equity and an antiracist society | Measure addresses an area where health inequities existMeasure demonstrates zero acceptance of racism, xenophobia, violence, hate crimes or discriminationMeasure is actionable, which may include policies or community-level interventions |
| Community leadership and community-driven metrics | Communities have provided input and have demonstrated supportMeasure is of interest from a local perspectiveMeasure is acceptable to communities represented in public health data |
| Transformative potential | Measure is actionable and would drive system changeOpportunity exists to triangulate and integrate data across data sourcesMeasure aligns with core public health functions in the Public Health Modernization Manual |
| Alignment with other strategic initiatives | Measure aligns with State Health Indicators or priorities in state or community health improvement plans or other local health plansMeasure is locally, nationally or internationally validated; with awareness of the existence of white supremacy in validated measures. National or other benchmarks exist for performance on this measure |

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| Phase 2: Suitability of measurement and public health sphere of control  |
| Data disaggregation | Data are reportable at the county level or for similar geographic breakdowns, which may include census tract or Medicare Referral DistrictWhen applicable, data are reportable by:* Race and ethnicity
* Gender
* Sexual orientation
* Age
* Disability
* Income level
* Insurance status
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| Feasibility of measurement | Data are already collected, or a mechanism for data collection has been identifiedUpdated data available on an annual basis |
| Public health system accountability | State and local public health authorities have some control over the outcome in the measureMeasure successfully communicates what is expected of the public health system |
| Resourced or likely to be resourced | Funding is available or likely to be availableLocal public health expertise exists |
| Accuracy | Changes in public health system performance will be visible in the measureMeasure is sensitive enough to capture improved performance or sensitive enough to show difference between years |
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\*Adapted from selection criteria used previously by the PHAB Accountability Metrics subcommittee and for selection of Healthier Together Oregon indicators and measures.