# Public Health Association of BC: Core Competencies in Public Health Project Manager and Senior Decision-Maker Survey - 'Leadership for All'

### Introduction:

The overall aim of the Public Health Association of BC's (PHABC) Project on Core Competencies in Public Health is to contribute to ensuring that the public health workforce in BC has the appropriate competencies for the delivery of public health core programs. This project is funded by the BC Ministry of Health and the Public Health Agency of Canada and has an advisory committee with representatives from PHABC, the two funding agencies, the health authorities and the academic sector.

In Phase 1 of this project, the core competencies identified in the *Core Competencies for Public Health in Canada: Release 1.0* (<a href="http://www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/ccph-cesp/pdfs/zcard-eng.pdf">http://www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/ccph-cesp/pdfs/zcard-eng.pdf</a>) were assessed and found to be relevant to implementing the core public health programs in BC. In addition, the consultation process identified a number of core competencies for public health that could be enhanced as well a number of competency gaps where training is needed. (See Phase 1 Report <a href="http://www.phabc.org/files/headlines/Final Report Core and Technical Competencies 08.pdf">http://www.phabc.org/files/headlines/Final Report Core and Technical Competencies 08.pdf</a>)

As part of Phase 2, PHABC is implementing a pilot project to develop and test a collaborative process for identifying and responding to the educational and training needs of staff and managers currently employed in the public health sector in BC. The tools and processes being developed are intended to enhance understanding of the existing skills and training needs of current staff in the public health core competency areas, and can be assessed at a regional level or province-wide. The focus is on professional development for current staff rather than entry to practice.

We would appreciate your support in completing this survey. The purpose of this survey tool is to identify the managers' and senior decision-makers' general understanding of the professional development needs of the public health workforce in their organization and the type of training/education response that would meet these needs. This tool has been tested in one competency area- Community Capacity-building – and is currently being piloted in the competency area 'Leadership for All' Please enter the security code you received by email to begin the survey.

(security code is: leaders)

## Public Health Association of BC: Core Competencies in Public Health Project

# Manager and Senior Decision-Maker Survey - 'Leadership for All'

**Instructions:** The survey will take approximately 15 minutes to complete. There is no time limit on the survey, providing you don't close or navigate away from this window, your responses will remain intact. Please complete the following questions and click submit at the bottom of the page:

Definition of 'Leadership for All'

'Leadership for All' includes statements for the leadership competency area that apply to public health staff in any position within the organization and incorporates skills required when working with communities and clients.

## **Employer Survey Questions**

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Core Public Health Competency area: 'Leadership for All'

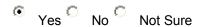
**1a.** How critical is 'Leadership for All' to achieving the goals of your program area/portfolio? Please rate importance on a scale of 1-5 with 1 being high and 5 being low.



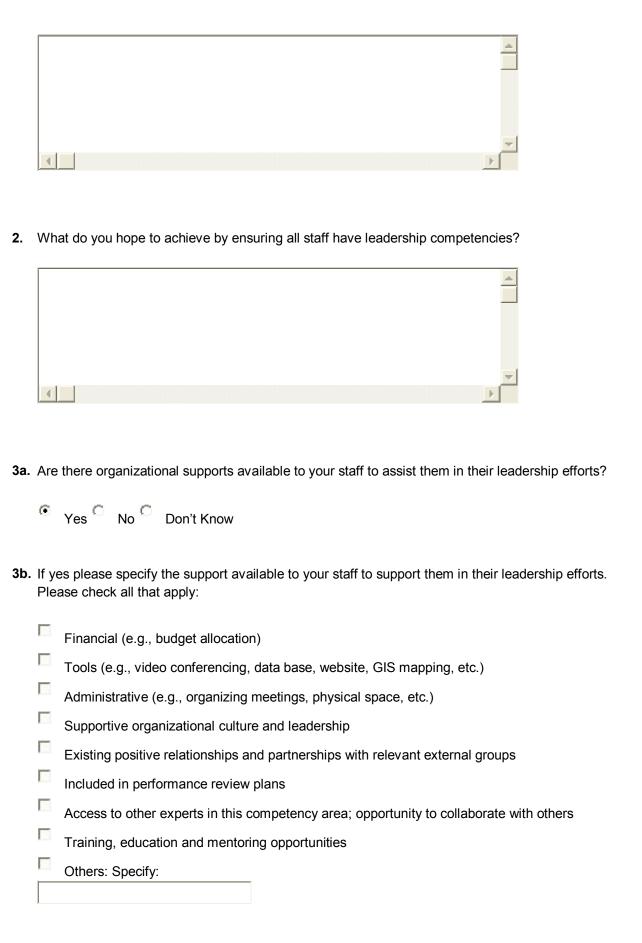
### Comments



**1b.** Do you feel there is support for 'Leadership for All' from the corporate leadership of your organization?



If no, do you have any suggestions as to how to gain their support?



4a. Do you think your staff require additional professional development in leadership?

4b.	If yes, approximately how many s leadership?	taff do you think m	ay require profession	onal development in	
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	development supports for the core	•	•	All'?	D = =24
	Professional Development Supports	We do provide	We don't provide	We don't provide but should	Don't Know
	Give time off during work hours to take training	e	О	О	0
	Pay 100% of their tuition upon completion of the training	•	О	O	О
	Pay a portion of the tuition	•	O	0	0
	Recognize courses in performance plans, if applicable	c	С	С	c
	Recognize achievement in some tangible way e.g., special assignment, salary, promotion, etc. as determined by workplace agreements	ে	О	О	С
	Offer workshop on site free of charge	e	О	О	О
	Support development and participation in communities of practice	•	О	О	0
	Other possible approaches – Please specify:				

Yes, Most Yes, Some No Not Sure

	Provide expertise to develop a profession  Teach some aspect of the program/cour  Provide mentoring support  Provide field placements  Other – Please specify:  None of the above						
Your	Please review your answers and click submit. Your survey information from this page will be entered into our database!  Public Health Association of BC: Core Competencies in Public Health Project Manager and Senior Decision-Maker Survey - 'Leadership for All'  7a. Thinking about the skill set that describes the 'Leadership for All' competency, which of the following specific skills do you think should have the highest priority from a staff professional development perspective?						
	Identify and rank up to 5 skills that you feel and 5 being the lowest priority:	are the highest priority with 1 being the highest priority					
•	No Rank 1 2 3 4 5	Have sufficient self awareness (e.g., of values, principles, styles, emotions, strengths and limitations) to take responsibility for own performance.					
•	No Rank 1 2 3 3 4 5	Consistently seek opportunities for professional development (e.g., character building of confidence, resilience and ongoing learning for growth).					
•	No Rank 1 2 3 4 5	Able to foster development of others (e.g., supporting, recognizing, encouraging and motivating them to achieve their goals).					

Able to create enabling environments where others have meaningful opportunity to contribute (e.g., building teams, facilitating environments that promote

Able to identify, establish and communicate clear and

meaningful expectations and outcomes to achieve a

community capacity-building, cooperation and

collaboration).

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No Rank 0 1 2 2 3 4 4

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No Rank

**6.** Would your organization be willing to participate in any of the following: Please check all that apply:

							shared vision.
•	No Rank	1	2	3 <sup>©</sup>	4 <sup>©</sup>	5	Able to take action to implement decisions (e.g., take own action and/or delegate action to others).
•	No Rank	1 <sup>©</sup>	2	3	4 <sup>©</sup>	5	Able to hold oneself and others accountable for decisions made.
•	No Rank	1 <sup>©</sup>	2	3 <sup>©</sup>	4 <sup>©</sup>	5	Able to measure and evaluate progress toward goals.
•	No Rank <sup>©</sup>	1 <sup>©</sup>	2	3 <sup>©</sup>	4 <sup>©</sup>	5	Able to purposefully build partnerships and networks that facilitate collaboration among groups with diverse perspectives in pursuit of shared goals (e.g., able to foster a culture of collaborative planning and action).
0	No Rank	1 <sup>©</sup>	2	3 <sup>©</sup>	4 <sup>©</sup>	5	Able to utilize political sensitivity to mobilize support and resolve conflict.
•	No Rank	1 <sup>©</sup>	2	3 <sup>©</sup>	4 <sup>©</sup>	5	Able to foster a climate of critical thinking and innovation to create opportunities for change (e.g., champion and orchestrate change).
•	No Rank	1 <sup>©</sup>	2	3 <sup>©</sup>	4 <sup>©</sup>	5	Able to mobilize knowledge for positive change (e.g., gathering intelligence from key stakeholders, encouraging open exchange of information, and using quality evidence).
•	No Rank	1 <sup>©</sup>	2	3 <sup>©</sup>	4 <sup>©</sup>	5	Demonstrates knowledge of public health sciences.
•	No Rank <sup>©</sup>	1 <sup>©</sup>	2	3 <sup>©</sup>	4 <sup>©</sup>	5	Able to apply a population and determinants of health approach, using equity and social justice practices to improve the health and well-being of communities and populations.
•	No Rank	1 <sup>©</sup>	2	3 <sup>©</sup>	4 <sup>©</sup>	5	Able to foster a learning environment that supports others to gain public health knowledge.
•	No Rank	1 <sup>©</sup>	2	3 <sup>©</sup>	4 <sup>©</sup>	5	Able to apply public health ethics that emphasize "doing the right things" for the health of the public/community/population (e.g., achieve the best results for the broader group).
•	No Rank <sup>©</sup>	1 <sup>©</sup>	2	3 <sup>©</sup>	4 <sup>©</sup>	5	Able to advocate for the greater public good/health of the population which may require challenging general opinion or a stakeholder interest.
•	No Rank	1 <sup>©</sup>	2	3 <sup>©</sup>	4 <sup>©</sup>	5	Able to support marginalized populations in advocacy of their public health.
•	No Rank	1 <sup>©</sup>	2	3 <sup>©</sup>	4 <sup>©</sup>	5	Able to advocate for supportive environments, services and resources that foster health and well-being of communities and populations.
•	No Rank	1 <sup>©</sup>	2	3 <sup>©</sup>	4 <sup>©</sup>	5	Able to facilitate excellence in citizen-centred service (e.g., best practice).
•	No Rank	1 <sup>C</sup>	2	3 <sup>©</sup>	4 <sup>©</sup>	5	Able to foster a culture of community capacity-building that is responsive to the needs of the community.

70.	re there any other leadership skills, not listed above, you would rank as one of the top five rofessional development needs of your staff?	
	Yes No Please specify	
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Environment Health OfficerMedical Health Officer

		Nutritionist/dietitian Public Health Nurse Policy and planning Speech Language Pathology Social Worker Other discipline specify:
9c.	Wh	nat best describes your role?
	$\odot$	Manager
	O	Director
	$\circ$	Executive
	O	Other:
9d.	Pro a k	ea of responsibility: ogram area- please specify: a. General program area  b. Specific program content rporate area, if applicable – specify  ner- specify:
10.		mber of years you have worked in public health:
	•	less than 5
		5-10 years
	0	more than 10 years

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