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Appendix
Public Health Profession Establishes CEPH in 1974

The Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH) is a private non-profit corporation established in late 1974 by the American Public Health Association (APHA) and the Association of Schools of Public Health (ASPH). 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 comprising the corporation’s membership would meet with the Council to receive its annual report. This report, which reviews the activities of calendar year 2009, is submitted in response to that requirement.

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 has three appointments to the board, 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." ASPH has three appointments 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 2009, Councilors included:

Representing Public Health Practice Term Ending
Susan M. Allan, MD, JD, MPH 2009
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University of Washington
Seattle, Washington

Virginia A. Caine, MD
Director
2010
Marion County Health Department
Indianapolis, Indiana

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Vice President
2011
Kaiser Foundation Health Plan and Hospitals
Public Affairs, Southern California Region
Pasadena, California

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Dean, School of Public Health
2011
University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Stephen W. Wyatt, DMD, MPH
Dean, University of Kentucky
2010
College of Public Health
University of Arizona
Lexington, Kentucky

James D. Yager, PhD
Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs
2009
Bloomberg School of Public Health
Johns Hopkins University
Baltimore, Maryland

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 District of Columbia government as an organization exempt from local income and sales taxes. No organizational or structural changes took place during 2009 that would affect this status.
Representing Programs

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<td>2010</td>
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<td>Consortium of Eastern Ohio Master of Public Health, Northeastern Ohio Universities Rootstown, Ohio</td>
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<td>2009</td>
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<td>Edmund Napieralski, PhD</td>
<td>2011</td>
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<td>Former Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs King’s College Shavertown, Pennsylvania</td>
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Administrative Committee

During 2009, the following Councilors served as officers of the corporation and as members of the Administrative Committee:

President: James D. Yager, PhD
Vice President: Susan M. Allan, MD, JD, MPH
Secretary: Edmund Napieralski, PhD
Treasurer: Michael D. Barnes, PhD

The Administrative Committee met in Washington, DC on September 11, 2009 for its annual budget planning session. The Administrative Committee also met several times during the year via telephone conference to review other matters for recommendation to the full Council.

The Administrative Committee is empowered to act for the Council in the interim between CEPH 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.

2009 Council Meetings

Three business meetings of the board were conducted during 2009. The first of these was the mid-winter meeting on February 6 and 7 in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. The winter retreat typically focuses exclusively on current policy matters.

At this meeting, the Council discussed the potential for accrediting freestanding undergraduate community health education programs as well as process and plans for the upcoming criteria and procedure revision processes.

The Council held its annual meeting on June 18 to 20 in Portland, Maine. Dr. Georges Benjamin represented APHA and Dr. Harrison Spencer and Dr. Robert Meenan represented ASPH at the meeting. The last business meeting of 2009 was conducted on October 22 to 24, 2009 in Denver, Colorado.

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

Ad Hoc Committees

Two ad hoc committees were appointed by the Council in 2009. The Nominating Committee typically consists of Councilors who are not eligible for reappointment to the board, and proposes the next slate of CEPH officers. In 2009, Dr. James D. Yager and Dr. Susan M. Allan served in this capacity.

The Council also appointed an ad hoc Diversity Committee charged with proposing revisions to the accreditation criteria in the areas of student and faculty diversity. Members of the committee are Councilors and former Councilors and the committee is co-chaired by Ms. Patricia Lowrie and Dr. Amy Lee.

Volunteers

The most valuable asset of the Council is the cadre of dedicated individuals who contribute their time, effort and expertise to serve as board members, site visitors and
consultants. 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 2009 was $720,000. This is the amount CEPH would have had to pay professionals to carry out similar functions at fairly modest consultant rates of pay. The following individuals served as on-site evaluators during 2009:

**Practitioners**

**Adele Amodeo, MPH**  
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Training New Volunteers

CEPH sponsored an invitational training session for prospective site visitors on November 8, 2009 in conjunction with the APHA annual meeting in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. CEPH staff members served as trainers and group facilitators. The full-day training sessions included an overview of public health accreditation, discussion about the purpose of the on-site visit, and team member roles and responsibilities, as well as in-depth training on how to interpret and apply CEPH criteria to conditions at schools and programs of public health. Participants received a site visitor training manual and a case study in advance of the training program to facilitate discussions and group assignments on site.

Training as a site visitor does not insure that an individual will be asked to serve as an evaluator, since there are many factors that are considered when structuring a site visit team. However, CEPH appoints only visitors who have been through formal training.

Training participants included public health academics and practitioners. The following individuals participated in site visitor training:

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Agency Management and Administration

Staff

Laura Rasar King, MPH, CHES continued to serve as Executive Director, providing overall leadership to CEPH. Mr. John B. Conklin, Office Manager, carried out financial functions and supported the overall operations of the office.

Mollie Mulvanity, MPH who serves as the Director of Accreditation Services, manages the overall accreditation process including the agency's data and evaluation needs. She, along with Ms. King, also conducts consultation visits with schools and programs upon request.

Karon S. Harden, MS, CHES served as the Training Programs Director. In this role, Ms. Harden managed the agency’s many training opportunities, including site visitor training sessions. She also coordinated site visit teams and provided staff support on site visits to schools and programs.

Synim N. Rivers, MPH serves as the Accreditation Specialist. She coordinated site visit teams and provided staff support on site visits to school and programs. In addition, she manages the CEPH website and other external communication strategies.

Administrative Services Purchased from APHA

In 2009, the Council continued to designate APHA as its fiscal agent and purchased indirect administrative services from that corporate member. As the fiscal agent, APHA holds all monies received by CEPH and disburses them upon authorization by CEPH staff. The administrative services include payroll and accounting as well as use of common space and facilities such as the conference rooms, lunch room and mailroom. Indirect services were charged at a negotiated rate of $9,000 for 2009. In addition, CEPH pays for certain supplies and services such as photocopying and postage on an actual cost basis.

Office Location

The Council is located with APHA in the association’s building at 800 Eye St, NW, in downtown Washington, close to the Gallery Place/Chinatown Metro and the Washington Convention Center. CEPH entered into a 3-year lease agreement in 2009 for 1,272 square feet of rentable space. Due to APHA’s fiscal year (July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009), the negotiated rate for January 1 to June 30, 2009 is $38.77 ($23.66 base rent; $15.11 operating costs) or $24,657.72 and (July 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009), the negotiated rate for July 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009 is $41.30 ($24.37 base rent; $16.93 operating costs) or $26,266.80, representing $50,925 for CEPH’s 2009 fiscal year.

Sources of Financial Support

The Council’s income derives from a combination of contributions and fees. During 2009, APHA contributed $76,364 to CEPH. Accredited schools of public health paid approximately $246,769 in support fees and accredited public health programs paid approximately $233,093 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 2009 from contributions, fees for specific services, interest and miscellaneous sources amounted to $788,640 (including reimbursement for travel expenses of site visitors and consultants).

Budgeting and Financial Planning

The Council adopted a budget for calendar year 2009 in the amount of $865,049. Budget planning takes into account...
anticipated review workloads and expected increases in inflation, as well as the organization’s policy about maintaining reserves. Actual expenditures for the year were lower than budgeted, approximately $731,713 (including travel reimbursements). CEPH ended the year with $604,450 in cash reserves, amounting to approximately 82% of the operating expenses that year. The Council follows a policy of maintaining reserves equal to six months operating expenses.

The calendar year 2009 was the second year of a 3-year funding agreement with APHA. The APHA executive board approved a new funding agreement for July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010 of $77,492.

Each summer the Administrative Committee establishes a fee schedule that will be applicable for the following year. The annual support fees for schools and programs will remain at the 2009 level for 2010.

**Audit of CEPH Accounts**

The accounting firm of Newman, Pollack and Associates, P.A. was retained to conduct an independent audit of CEPH’s financial records for calendar year 2009. A copy of the audited financial statement is a part of this annual report to the corporate members.

**Insurance and Bonding**

The Council maintains directors and officers and errors and omissions insurance in the amount of $2 million through the Chubb Insurance Group, a special policy for standard-setting organizations. It also maintains an accidental death insurance policy covering individuals in active service to CEPH, including Councilors, staff and site visitors who travel on behalf of the Council. These individuals are covered in the amount of $250,000 per incident from the time of departure to the time of return, excluding normal commuting to work and certain other exclusions. The Council bonds its employees, providing $25,000 coverage against employee dishonesty. The Council also carries a premises liability insurance policy.

**Accreditation Matters**

**US Department of Education Recognition**

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.

Guidelines for recognition are published in the Federal Register and call for evidence that the agency has the administrative capacity and decision-making independence to carry out its responsibilities. The accrediting agency’s board is expected to have the sole responsibility for accrediting and policy decisions, have budgetary and administrative autonomy, and share information with affiliated trade or membership organizations only to the extent that such information is generally available to the public.

To qualify for recognition, accrediting bodies must have standards that address a) student achievement success in relation to the institution’s mission; b) curricula; c) faculty; d) facilities, equipment, and supplies; f) fiscal and administrative capacity; g) student support services; h) recruiting and admissions practices; i) measures of program length; and j) student complaints. Other requirements focus on procedural expectations, most of which are oriented to assuring due process for applicants.

Recognition is conferred for periods up to five years. CEPH was last reviewed in spring 2007 and, following this review, when the Secretary of Education notified CEPH that its recognition had been extended to spring 2012. CEPH was required to submit an interim report in fall 2008 demonstrating that it collects graduation rate data from schools of public health on an annual basis. Working with ASPH’s Data Committee, CEPH developed a reporting mechanism for graduation rates to be integrated into the existing annual report structure. CEPH submitted its interim report to the USDE in May 2008, as required.

In August 2008, the Higher Education Opportunities Act (HEOA) was reauthorized by Congress and, as part of the act, the National Advisory Committee for Institutional Quality and Integrity (NACIQI) – the committee that advises the Secretary of Education on the recognition of accrediting bodies – was dissolved. The committee is to be reconstituted according to the new law in 2009, which, at the writing of this report, has not yet occurred. CEPH expects that consideration of its interim report will occur at the first regularly scheduled NACIQI meeting following its reconstitution. Negotiated rulemaking to develop regulations that comply with HEOA was held in spring and summer 2009 and the rules will become effective on July 1, 2010. To comply with the new law, CEPH began criteria and procedures revision processes in late-2009.

**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, which provides membership services, including professional development for staff, and which advocates policy on behalf of the specialized accrediting community.

CEPH’s Executive Director participates actively in this organization, and has served on several committees and task forces in past years. Currently, she serves on the organization’s External Recognition and Issues Committee (ERIC), 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. For example, as a member of this committee, Ms. King served as a technical
advisor to specialized accreditation during the 2009 HEOA negotiated rulemaking session.

One of ASPA's early efforts was the development of a model code of good practice for accrediting bodies, which the CEPH governing body formally adopted in 1996. A copy of the code of good practice is routinely sent to site visitors and to the university president in advance of a site visit.

**Third Annual Accreditation Orientation Workshop**

On July 30 and 31, 2009 CEPH held its third 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 table discussions with an evening networking reception followed by a full day of workshops conducted by CEPH staff.

The workshops included an introduction to CEPH, detailed information about conducting a self-study process 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 some frequently asked questions.

Thirty-eight individuals representing 13 public health programs and nine schools of public health attended the workshop.

**Accreditation Actions**

During 2009, the Council took final actions on the following 26 accreditation reviews, 11 of which were new applicants, each following an on-site evaluation and the preparation of a written report:

- **University of Florida School of Public Health** was accredited for an initial term of 5 years extending to July 1, 2014. Interim reports were requested.
- **Temple University Public Health Program** was accredited for 7-year term extending to July 1, 2016. An interim report was requested.
- **Thomas Jefferson University Public Health Program** was accredited for a 7-year term extending to July 1, 2016. An interim report was requested.
- **University of Nebraska Medical Center/University of Nebraska Omaha Public Health Program** was accredited for a 7-year term extending to July 1, 2016. An interim report was requested.
- **Dartmouth Medical School Public Health Program** was accredited for a 7-year term extending to July 1, 2016. An interim report was requested.
- **Mercer University Public Health Program** was granted probationary accreditation for a 2-year period extending to June 20, 2011.
- **University of Maryland, Baltimore Public Health Program** was accredited for an initial term of 5 years extending to July 1, 2014. Interim reports were requested.
- **Western Kentucky University Public Health Program** was accredited for a 7-year term extending to July 1, 2016. Interim reports were requested.
- **University of North Carolina, Charlotte Public Health Program** was accredited for an initial term of 5 years extending to July 1, 2014. An interim report was requested.
- **Brigham Young University Public Health Program** was accredited for a 7-year term extending to July 1, 2016. No interim reports were required.
- **Meharry Medical College Public Health Program** was accredited for an initial term of 5 years extending to July 1, 2014. An interim report was requested.
- **University of Wisconsin – Madison Public Health Program** was accredited for an initial term of 5 years extending to July 1, 2014. Interim reports were requested.
- **University of West Florida Public Health Program** was accredited for an initial term of 5 years extending to July 1, 2014. An interim report was requested.
- **Southern Connecticut State University Public Health Program** was accredited for a 7-year term extending to July 1, 2016. Interim reports were requested.
- **University of Georgia School of Public Health** was accredited for an initial term of 5 years extending to July 1, 2014. An interim report was requested.
- **University of Northern Colorado Public Health Program’s**
current probationary accreditation was extended by one year for good cause until October 24, 2010.

**SUNY- Buffalo School of Public Health** was accredited for an initial term of 5 years extending to December 31, 2014. An interim report was requested.

**East Tennessee State University College of Public Health** was accredited for an initial term of 5 years extending to December 31, 2014. Interim reports were requested.

**Consortium of Eastern Ohio Public Health Program** was accredited for a 7-year term extending to December 31, 2016. An interim report was requested.

**Ohio State University College of Public Health** was accredited for 7-year term extending to December 31, 2016. Interim reports were requested.

**Medical College of Georgia Public Health Program** was accredited for an initial term of 5 years extending to December 31, 2014. An interim report was requested.

**Touro University California Public Health Program** was accredited for an initial term of 5 years extending to December 31, 2014. An interim report was requested.

**University of Alaska Anchorage Public Health Program** was accredited for an initial term of 5 years extending to December 31, 2014. An interim report was requested.

**New York Medical College Public Health Program** was accredited for an initial term of 5 years extending to December 31, 2014. An interim report was requested.

**Morgan State University Public Health Program** was accredited for 7-year term extending to December 31, 2016. Interim reports were requested.

**Tufts University Public Health Program** was accredited for 7-year term extending to December 31, 2016. An interim report was requested.

**Interim Reports**

Accredited schools and programs are required to submit interim reports when the Council finds non-compliance with one or more accreditation criteria at the time of the accreditation decision. Any compliance concern must be resolved within a two-year period.

The Council reviewed 63 interim reports during the year. These included:

- **UMDNJ/Rutgers/NJIT School of Public Health** - report accepted.
- **San Diego State University School of Public Health** - report accepted; additional reporting required.
- **Florida International University Public Health Program** - report not accepted - accreditation term continued one year for good cause; additional reporting required.
- **University of Miami Public Health Program** - report accepted.
- **University of Wisconsin, LaCrosse Public Health Program** - report not accepted - accreditation continued one year for good cause; additional reporting required.
- **Virginia Commonwealth University Public Health Program** - report accepted.
- **East Carolina University Public Health Program** - report not accepted - accreditation continued one year for good cause; additional reporting required.
- **Drexel University School of Public Health** - report accepted; additional reporting required.
- **Georgia State University Public Health Program** - report not accepted - accreditation continued one year for good cause; additional reporting required.
- **University of Rochester Public Health Program** - reports accepted.
- **University of Illinois at Chicago School of Public Heath** - report accepted.
- **Wright State University Public Health Program** - report not accepted - accreditation continued one year for good cause; additional reporting required.
- **University of North Texas School of Public Health** - report accepted.
- **Brooklyn College Public Health Program** - report accepted.
- **Northern Illinois University Public Health Program** - report accepted.
- **University of Tennessee Public Health Program** - report accepted.
- **University of Connecticut Public Health Program** - report accepted.
- **University of Utah Public Health Program** - report not accepted - accreditation continued one year for good cause; additional reporting required.
- **California State University, Fullerton Public Health Program** - report accepted.
- **University of California, Berkeley School of Public Health** - report not accepted - accreditation continued one year for good cause; additional reporting required.
University of Southern California Public Health Program - report not accepted - accreditation continued one year for good cause; additional reporting required.

California State University, Northridge Public Health Program - reports accepted.

East Tennessee State University Public Health Program - report accepted.

Florida A&M University Public Health Program - report accepted.

Indiana University, Indianapolis Public Health Program - report accepted.

New York University Public Health Program - report accepted.

University of California, Davis Public Health Program - report accepted.

West Chester University Public Health Program - report accepted.

Loma Linda University School of Public Health - report accepted; additional reporting required.

Texas A&M University School of Public Health - report not accepted - accreditation continued one year for good cause; additional reporting required.

University of Arkansas School of Public Health - report accepted; additional reporting required.

University of Puerto Rico School of Public Health - report accepted; additional reporting required.

Yale University School of Public Health - report accepted.

California State University Long Beach Public Health Program - report not accepted - accreditation continued one year for good cause; additional reporting required.

Eastern Virginia Medical School/Old Dominion University Public Health Program - report accepted.

California State University, Fresno Public Health Program - report not accepted - accreditation continued one year for good cause; additional reporting required.

Idaho State University Public Health Program - report not accepted - accreditation continued one year for good cause; additional reporting required.

Mount Sinai University Public Health Program - report accepted; additional reporting required.

SUNY Stony Brook Public Health Program - report accepted.

University of North Florida Public Health Program - report accepted; additional reporting required.

Oregon MPH Public Health Program - report accepted.

University of New Mexico Public Health Program - report accepted.

Saint Louis University School of Public Health - report not accepted - accreditation continued one year for good cause; additional reporting required.

University of Kentucky College of Public Health - report accepted.

Loma Linda University School of Public Health - report accepted.

University of Louisville School of Public Health - report not accepted - accreditation continued one year for good cause; additional reporting required.

University of Massachusetts Amherst School of Public Health - report not accepted - accreditation continued one year for good cause; additional reporting required.

University of Minnesota School of Public Health - report accepted; additional reporting required.

California State University, Fullerton Public Health Program - report accepted.

University at Albany - SUNY School of Public Health - report accepted.

American University of Beirut Public Health Program - report accepted.

California State University, Fresno Public Health Program - report not accepted - accreditation continued one year for good cause; additional reporting required.

Jackson State University Public Health Program - report accepted.

University of Maryland College Park Public Health Program - report accepted.

University of California Los Angeles School of Public Health - report accepted.

Morehouse School of Medicine Public Health Program - report accepted; additional reporting required.
Applications

Fourteen new requests from educational institutions desiring to begin the accreditation evaluation process were received in 2009; all of the requests were approved by the Council. 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 are often ready to proceed more quickly than that and may negotiate earlier site visit dates. Newly approved applicants include:

**SUNY Downstate Medical Center**
School of Public Health
Brooklyn, New York
Self-study due: July 1, 2010

**University of Montana**
Public Health Program
Missoula, Montana
Self-study due: June 20, 2011

**Kansas State University**
Public Health Program
Manhattan, Kansas
Self-study due: June 20, 2011

**American Public University System**
Public Health Program
Charles Town, West Virginia
Self-study due: June 20, 2011

Arcadia University

*Currently an accredited school of public health in transition to a public health program.
Two accredited public health programs (Hunter College and Brooklyn College) and one applicant program (Lehman College) in transition to a collaborative school of public health.

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, school administrators, program faculty, students, alumni and community leaders. They also review documents and view facilities and resources. The last task on site is an exit interview.

Site visit teams are chaired by experienced and specially trained site visitors.

During 2009, CEPH conducted visits at the following 27 schools and programs:

**Meharry Medical College**
Masters of Science in Public Health Program
January 12 and 13, 2009
Chair: C. William Keck, MD, MPH, FACPM

**University of Maryland at Baltimore**
MPH Program
January 22 and 23, 2009
Chair: Amy F. Lee, MD, MPH, MBA

**University of Nebraska Medical Center/University of Nebraska at Omaha**
MPH Program
January 26 and 27, 2009
Chair: G. Marie Swanson, PhD, MPH

**University of Wisconsin - Madison**
MPH Program
February 9 and 10, 2009
Chair: Phoebe Lindsey Barton, PhD, MPA

**University of Georgia**
College of Public Health
February 23 to 25, 2009
Chair: Donna J. Petersen, MHS, ScD

**University of Northern Colorado**
MPH Program
March 2 and 3, 2009
Chair: Lynn D. Woodhouse, Med, EdD, MPH

**University of Alaska - Anchorage**
MPH Program
March 9 and 10, 2009
Chair: Dennis F. Jarvis, MPH, CHES

**Medical College of Georgia**
MPH Program
March 19 and 20, 2009
Chair: Phoebe Lindsey Barton, PhD, MPA

**Morgan State University**
Public Health Program
April 6 and 7, 2009
Chair: Charles B. Hamilton, MPH, DrPH

**Tufts University School of Medicine**
Public Health Programs
April 16 and 17, 2009
Chair: Cynthia M. Harris, PhD, DABT

**Consortium of Eastern Ohio**
MPH Program
April 20 and 21, 2009
Chair: David A. Pearson, PhD, MPH

**The Ohio State University**
College of Public Health
April 22 and 24, 2009
Chair: Sylvia E. Furner, PhD, MPH

**University at Buffalo - SUNY**
School of Public Health and Health Professions
May 4 to 6, 2009
Chair: G. Marie Swanson, PhD, MPH

**Touro University - California**
MPH Program
May 11 and 12, 2009
Chair: Cheryl C. Lackey, MPH, CHES

**East Tennessee State University**
College of Public Health
May 18 to 20, 2009
Chair: C. William Keck, MD, MPH, FACPM

**New York Medical College**
Public Health Program
June 8 and 9, 2009
Chair: Kathleen R. Miner, PhD, MPH, CHES

**Indiana University at Bloomington**
MPH Program
September 14 and 15, 2009
Chair: Linda B. Winett, DrPH, CHES

**Harvard University**
School of Public Health
September 21 to 23, 2009
Chair: Shelley A. Hearne, DrPH

**St. George's University**
MPH Program
September 28 and 29, 2009
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University of South Carolina
School of Public Health
September 30 to October 2, 2009
Chair: Sylvia E. Furner, PhD, MPH

University of New Mexico
MPH Program
October 5 and 6, 2009
Chair: Cynthia M. Harris, PhD, DABT

Simon Fraser University
Masters of Science in Population and Public Health Program
October 19 to 20, 2009
Chair: David A. Pearson, PhD, MPH

University of Maryland at College Park
School of Public Health
October 19 to 21, 2009
Chair: Donna J. Petersen, MHS, ScD

Loma Linda University
School of Public Health
October 26 to 28, 2009
Chair: J. Jackson Barnette, MA, PhD

University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
School of Public Health
November 16 to 18, 2009
Chair: A. A. Afifi, PhD

Medical College of Wisconsin
MPH Programs
November 19 and 20, 2009
Chair: Wendy Ringgenberg, PhD, MS, BSW

San Francisco State University
MPH Program in Community Health Education
December 3 and 4, 2009
Chair: J. Henry Montes, MPH

CEPH Website
Want to know more about CEPH or any of the 125 schools and programs accredited by The Council? Your best source of information is the CEPH website, which links to every CEPH-accredited school and program.

You can also:
- Download procedures and criteria in PDF format.
- Download data templates for self-study preparation.
- Review frequently asked questions from schools and programs and prospective students.
- Access all Technical Assistance papers and presentations.
- Learn the benefits of accreditation.
- Locate biographical information about board members and staff.
- Access staff contact information.

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Looking Ahead to 2010
CEPH will be working on four major projects in 2010:

1) Procedures Revision – To comply with the Higher Education Opportunities Act of 2008 and the subsequent regulations and to provide more clarity in the accreditation process for our schools and programs, CEPH will begin a procedures revision process in 2010. Council proposals for procedural revisions will be released for a 60-day public comment period. Comments will be considered at the Council’s June 2010 meeting. The Council anticipates that the revised procedures will be adopted in June and be effective in September 2010.

2) Criteria Revision: Per CEPH’s procedures, the Criteria for Accreditation must be reviewed at least every five years. Since the last revision occurred in 2005, the Council will begin its next criteria revision process in 2010. The Council expects to release a draft version of the revised criteria in late fall 2010 for public review and comment. Revised criteria will not be adopted until 2011 and an implementation plan will be developed at that time.
3) **Undergraduate Public Health Accreditation:**
Following an early-2010 organizational comment period on a proposed initiative to accredit freestanding undergraduate community health education programs, the Council will consider comments at its June 2010 meeting and determine next steps at that time. It is likely that consideration of this proposed initiative will continue through 2010 and into 2011.

4) **Website Redesign:** In an effort to provide better service for our schools and programs as well as potential public health students, CEPH is planning to launch a newly redesigned website in 2010. The site will include all of the useful resources it now includes in a more user-friendly format but it will also include a searchable list of schools/programs, degrees and concentrations for potential students.
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- Travel: 8%
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- SPH Fees: 6%

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