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A Practitioner's Perspective

- Document too big and intimidating
- Too many objectives
- No input from the local levels in the development of Healthy Kentuckians 2010
- Lack of ownership of the initiative
- Lack of understanding of the Healthy Kentuckians 2010 initiative
- Competing interests for time, human resources, or finances
- Technology
- Geography (distance)



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The State's Perspective

- Cost versus Benefit
- Document is not user friendly
- Baseline metrics questionable
- Lack of a collaborative effort with other stakeholders
- Personnel shortage - due to retirement, budget restraints



Field of Academics

- Disconnect between practice & academia
- No continuing educational programs or courses offered on Healthy People for public health workers through the universities
- No input from the universities in the development of Healthy Kentuckians 2010 objectives

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Changing What is Taught

Objectives:

- Explain the concept of systems thinking.
- Describe public health as a system with inputs, processes, outputs, and results, including the role of the 3 core functions and essential PH services.
- Assess, use, and critique comprehensive and current state data from the perspective of the core functions and essential public health services.



Changing What is Taught

- Describe, interpret, and analyze the potential impact of policy processes carried out by local and state public health agencies.
- Use frameworks (flowcharts, logic models, etc.) to describe the major steps in the planning, implementation, and evaluation of a public health program.
- Analyze the role public health systems play in natural or man-made emergencies or disasters.



Sample Task

- **Conduct an in-depth review of the Healthy People 2010 website. Some questions to examine include, but are not limited to:**
 - **What is Healthy People 2010?**
 - **What are its goals?**
 - **How were the Healthy People 2010 objectives developed?**
 - **What are the leading health indicators?**
 - **Determinants of health?**
 - **Health Equity and Disparities?**



Creating a Partnership for HP2020



A Way Forward

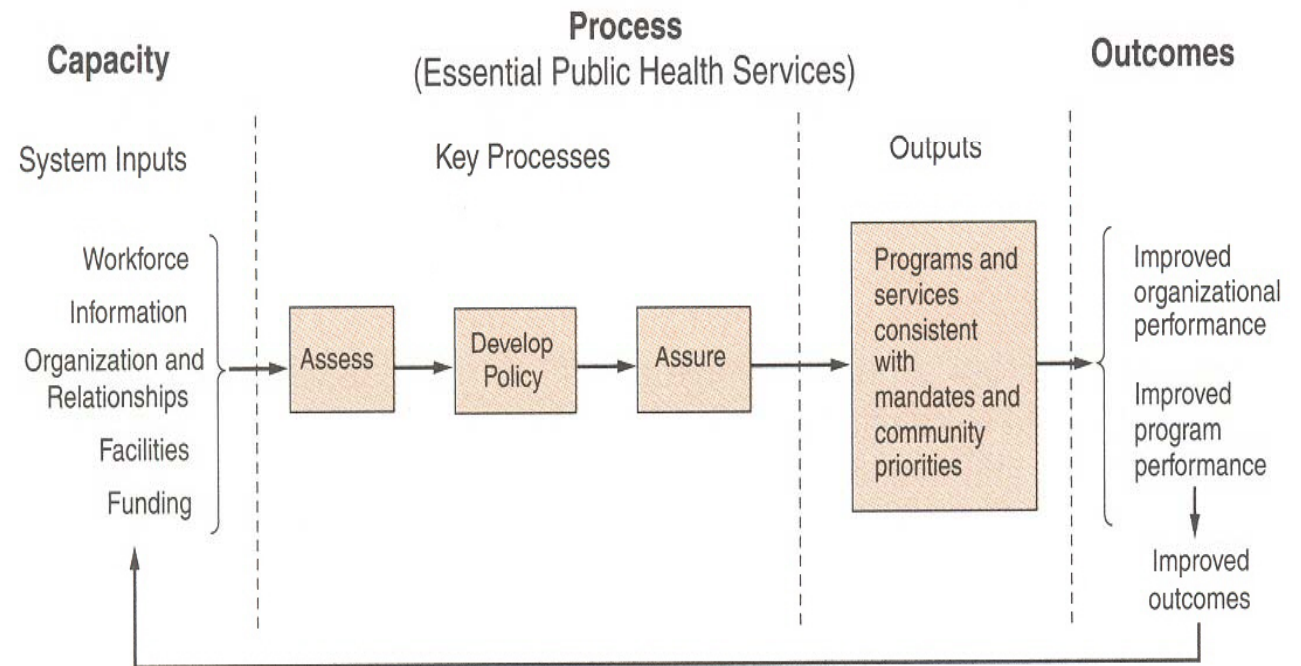


Figure 5-7 Framework for measuring public health system performance.

