The LAByrinth of L-SIP

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Laboratory System Improvement Program (L-SIP)

- Goal of Program: to conduct an assessment of the public health laboratory system based on laboratory system performance standards in meeting the 10 Essential Public Health Services
- Brings together key partners to determine system performance
- Measures capacity and performance of the state and local system in addressing national standards
- Provides results for system improvement
Essential Public Health Services

1. **Monitor** health status to identify community health problems
2. **Diagnose** and investigate health problems and health hazards in the community
3. **Inform, educate, and empower** people about health issues
4. **Mobilize** community partnerships to identify and solve health problems
5. **Develop policies and plans** that support individual and community health efforts
6. **Enforce** laws and regulations that protect health and ensure safety
7. **Link** people to needed personal health services and assure the provision of health care when otherwise unavailable
8. **Assure** a competent public health and personal health care workforce
9. **Evaluate** effectiveness, accessibility, and quality of personal and population-based health services
10. **Research** for new insights and innovative solutions to health problems
System Partners

State Public Health Laboratory System

- Schools
- Media
- Nursing Homes
- Policy Makers
- EMS
- State Public Health Laboratory
- Environmental Laboratory
- Local Public Health Laboratory
- Private Laboratories
- Mental Health
- Hospitals
- Clinical Laboratory
- Law Enforcement
- Tribal Health
- Academia
- CHCs
- Employers
- Corrections
- Elected Officials
- Fire
- Transit
L-SIP Assessment Tool
The Assessment

• Will take one day and will be facilitated by independent professionals skilled in public health and facilitation.

• Will provide for dialogue including information shared by participants.

• A consensus will be reached and collated into a state-wide response. The results will tell you how you compare to the L-SIP “gold standards.”
# Laboratory System Improvement Program

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| No Activity | 0% or absolutely no activity. |
| Minimal Activity | Greater than zero, but no more than 25% of the activity described within the question is met within the public health system |
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| Significant Activity | Greater than 50%, but no more than 75% of the activity described within the question is met within the public health system |
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After the assessment, now what?

• Technical assistance
• Member Resource Center
• The Web Communicator
• A Mentoring Program
• Laboratory System Improvement Group
### L-SIP Comparison 2007 - 2011

New Hampshire State Laboratory System Improvement Program 2007 v 2011

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*Terminology changed 2011*
Lessons Learned

• Great networking
• Partnership development
• Efficiency projects
• QI projects
• Process is streamlined and painless!
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