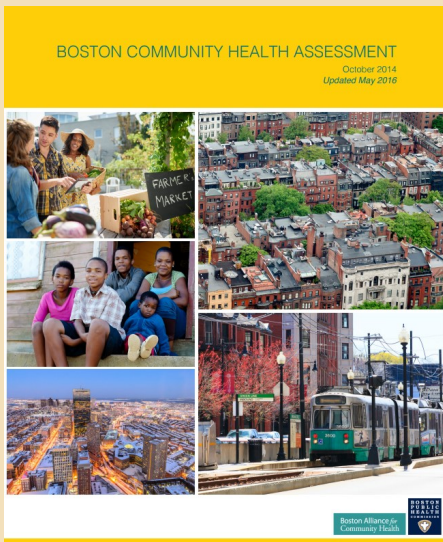


# Preparing for our Site Visit

## on OCTOBER 12-13

### BPHC ESSENTIAL PLAN SPOTLIGHT: Boston Community Health Assessment (CHA)

In 2012, BPHC and Boston Alliance for Community Health (BACH) partnered with many organizations to develop the Boston Community Health Assessment (CHA). The goal of the Boston CHA is to inform the development of strategies to address identified community health needs by providing a demographics overview of social determinants of health, and strength and weakness assessments.



With input from the community, elected officials, existing data sources, public health leaders, and other stakeholders, we used the Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnerships (MAPP) process to develop the four assessments that comprise the Boston CHA:

- (1) **Community Health Status Assessment**—summarizes the health status, quality of life, and risk/protective factors which contribute to health
- (2) **Community Themes & Strengths Assessment**—identifies themes that interest, concern, and engage the community
- (3) **Forces of Change Assessment**—identifies trends, factors, and events that affect health systems
- (4) **Local Public Health Assessment**—evaluates the activities, capacities, and competencies of Boston’s public health system according to the ten essential public health services

Read more about our Community Health Assessment [here](#).



### ACCREDITATION STAR OF THE MONTH

Craig Regis



Photo by Stephanie Seller

Congratulations to Craig Regis, our Accreditation Star of the Month! The AQI team shares a heartfelt farewell to our Infectious Disease Bureau representative, Craig Regis. Since October 2015, Craig has supported numerous document creations and revisions across many PHAB Domains. Thank you for your exceptional role as a branch between AQI and IDB.

We will miss you Craig, best of luck!



### SITE VISITOR QUESTION OF THE WEEK

**Q: Who is responsible for communicating to the media?**

**A:** Media communications are handled by BPHC’s Executive Director Monica Valdes Lupi, BPHC’s Public Information Officer Ana Vivas, or another specific designee.