

# PHAB Accreditation Fee Schedule 2013

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## Fee Overview

With the launch of public health accreditation in September 2011, PHAB begins to operate like other accreditation organizations. As is typical in that industry, PHAB instituted a fee structure to manage and maintain the national accreditation process. This is an important step toward strengthening the country's public health infrastructure through quality improvement and the ongoing identification of best practices.

Moderate applicant fees are necessary in order for PHAB to provide quality services to both applicants for accreditation and accredited health departments in the future. Public health accreditation is not a "one-time event"; it is an ongoing quality improvement commitment.

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## What the Fees Support

The fee your health department pays supports the evaluation of your health department's application for accreditation and provides your health department with a full suite of ongoing accreditation services:

- An assigned accreditation specialist to guide your department through the application process;
- In-person training for your health department's accreditation coordinator;
- Subscription to PHAB's online accreditation information system (e-PHAB), making it easier and more cost-efficient for your health department to participate in accreditation;
- Site visit, including a comprehensive review of your health department's operations against the national accreditation standards by a team of peer review experts;
- Annual quality improvement guidance and support for 5 years;
- Identified opportunities for improvements to help your health department better serve its population; and
- Exclusive contribution to a growing network of accredited local health departments and best practices to enhance the evidence-base for public health.

## Fee Structure

Fees are based on the size of the jurisdictional population served by the health department. Jurisdictional population is used as a proxy for complexity of the review. PHAB's Accreditation Fee Schedule will be published annually, one year in advance. The rate is applicable for a period of five years, beginning with the date of submission of the full application. Invoices will be provided by PHAB to the applicant health department based on the type of payment schedule they select.

| Health Department Category | Population Size of the Jurisdiction Served | 2013 Total Fee |
|----------------------------|--|----------------|
| Category 1                 | Less than 50,000                           | \$ 12,720      |
| Category 2                 | 50,000 to 100,000                          | \$ 20,670      |
| Category 3                 | >100,000 to 200,000                        | \$ 27,030      |
| Category 4                 | >200,000 to 1 million                      | \$ 31,800      |
| Category 5                 | >1 million to 3 million                    | \$ 47,700      |
| Category 6                 | >3 million to 5 million                    | \$ 63,600      |
| Category 7                 | >5 million to 15 million                   | \$ 79,500      |
| Category 8                 | Greater than 15 million                    | \$ 95,400      |

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## Payment of Fees

PHAB understands that health department budgets are strained now more than ever. In order to ensure cost does not become a barrier to qualified health departments seeking and earning accreditation, PHAB has developed a variety of flexible ways for health departments to pay their fees.

- Health departments can receive a discount by paying in one lump sum
- Health departments can pay in multiple year increments (*see below*)
- Health departments can pay with end of the year grant funds (*with approval of grant project officer*)

| Health Department Category | Population Size of the Jurisdiction Served | Year 1 Payment | Year 2 Payment | Year 3 Payment | Year 4 Payment | Year 5 Payment |
|----------------------------|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Category 1                 | Less than 50,000                           | \$3,180.00     | \$2,385.00     | \$2,385.00     | \$2,385.00     | \$2,385.00     |
| Category 2                 | 50,000 to 100,000                          | \$5,167.00     | \$3,875.75     | \$3,875.75     | \$3,875.75     | \$3,875.75     |
| Category 3                 | >100,000 to 200,000                        | \$6,757.00     | \$5,068.25     | \$5,068.25     | \$5,068.25     | \$5,068.25     |
| Category 4                 | >200,000 to 1 million                      | \$7,950.00     | \$5,962.50     | \$5,962.50     | \$5,962.50     | \$5,962.50     |
| Category 5                 | >1 million to 3 million                    | \$11,925.00    | \$8,943.75     | \$8,943.75     | \$8,943.75     | \$8,943.75     |
| Category 6                 | >3 million to 5 million                    | \$15,900.00    | \$11,925.00    | \$11,925.00    | \$11,925.00    | \$11,925.00    |
| Category 7                 | >5 million to 15 million                   | \$19,875.00    | \$14,906.25    | \$14,906.25    | \$14,906.25    | \$14,906.25    |
| Category 8                 | Greater than 15 million                    | \$23,850.00    | \$17,887.50    | \$17,887.50    | \$17,887.50    | \$17,887.50    |



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