



# NPHPS

National Public Health Performance Standards Program

## National Public Health Performance Standards Program:

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## Introducing the Version 2 NPHPS Performance Standards Assessments

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# Program Vision and Goals

To improve the quality of public health practice and performance of public health systems by:

1. Providing [performance standards](#) for public health systems and encouraging their widespread use;
2. Engaging and leveraging national, state, and local [partnerships](#) to build a stronger foundation for public health preparedness;
3. Promoting continuous [quality improvement](#) of public health systems; and
4. Strengthening the [science base](#) for public health practice improvement.



# NPHPSP

## Assessment Instruments

- ↻ State public health system
- ↻ Local public health system
- ↻ Local public health governance

## Partners

- ↻ CDC
- ↻ APHA
- ↻ ASTHO
- ↻ NACCHO
- ↻ NALBOH
- ↻ NNPHI
- ↻ PHF



# Partners

- 🔄 **CDC** – Overall lead for coordination
- 🔄 **ASTHO** – Develop and support state instrument
- 🔄 **NACCHO** – Develop and support local instrument; MAPP
- 🔄 **NALBOH** – Develop and support governance instrument
- 🔄 **APHA** – Marketing and communications
- 🔄 **PHF** - Performance improvement; data collection and reporting system
- 🔄 **NNPHI** – Support through institutes, training workshop and user calls



# History of the NPHPSP

## Key Dates

- ▲ Began in 1998
- ▲ Version 1 instruments released in 2002
- ▲ 2002-2007 – Version 1 instruments used in more than 30 states
- ▲ Development of Version 2 instruments – 2005-2007

## Comprehensive Development of Instruments

- ▲ Practice-driven development by CDC and ASTHO, NACCHO and NALBOH Work Groups
- ▲ Field testing



# Four Concepts Applied in NPHPSP



1. Based on the ten Essential Public Health Services
2. Focus on the overall public health system
3. Describe an optimal level of performance
4. Support a process of quality improvement

# NPHPSP Use in the Field

## **Coordinated statewide approach**

- ▲ Benefits in technical assistance and coordinated improvement planning

## **Individual System / Board Use**

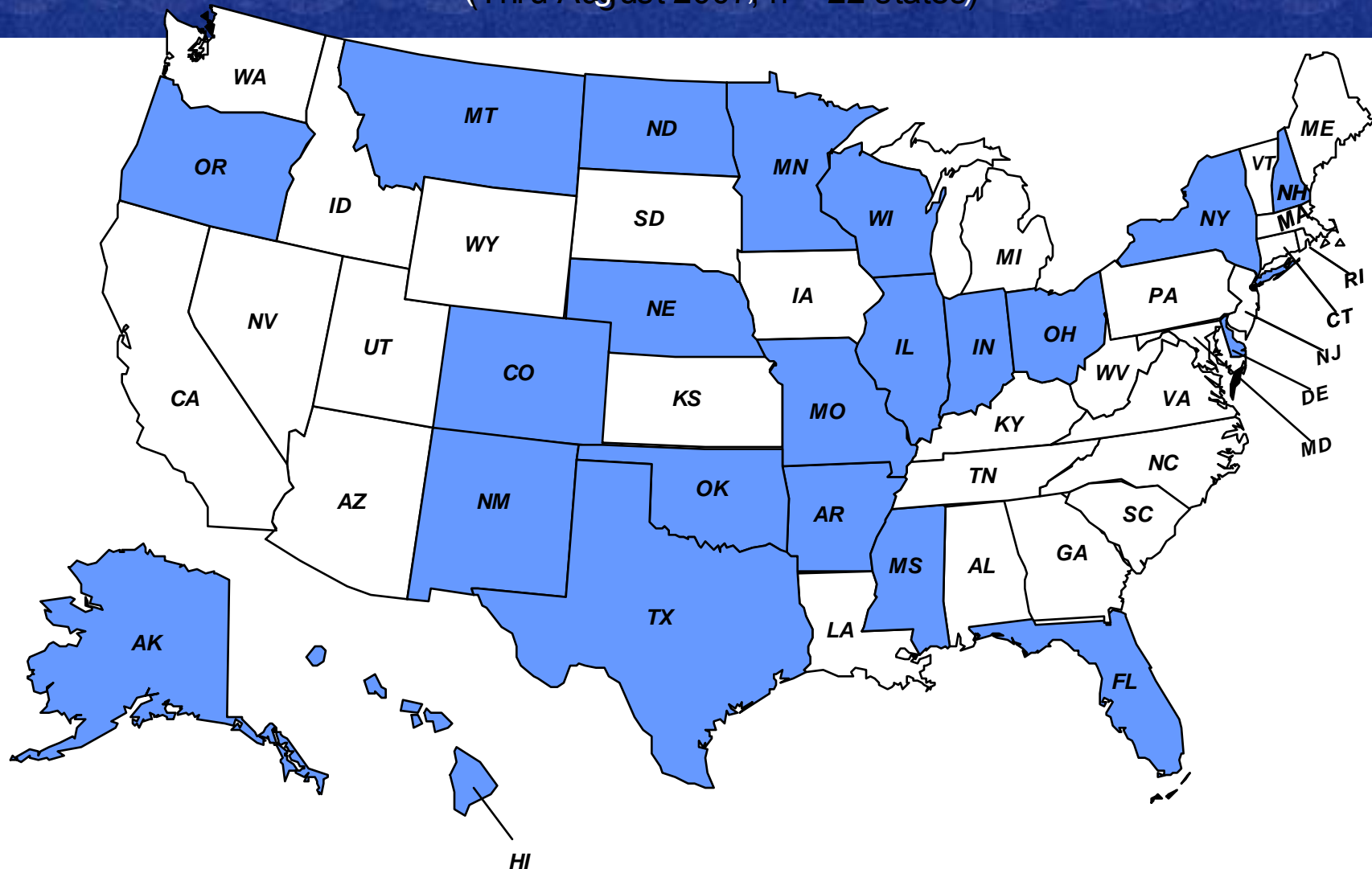
## **Common Catalysts for Use**

- ▲ Statewide interest in improvement planning
- ▲ Interest in performance improvement
- ▲ Bioterrorism and emergency response planning
- ▲ Use within the MAPP process
- ▲ Interest in accountability



# NPHPSP State Instrument Use

(Thru August 2007, n = 22 states)



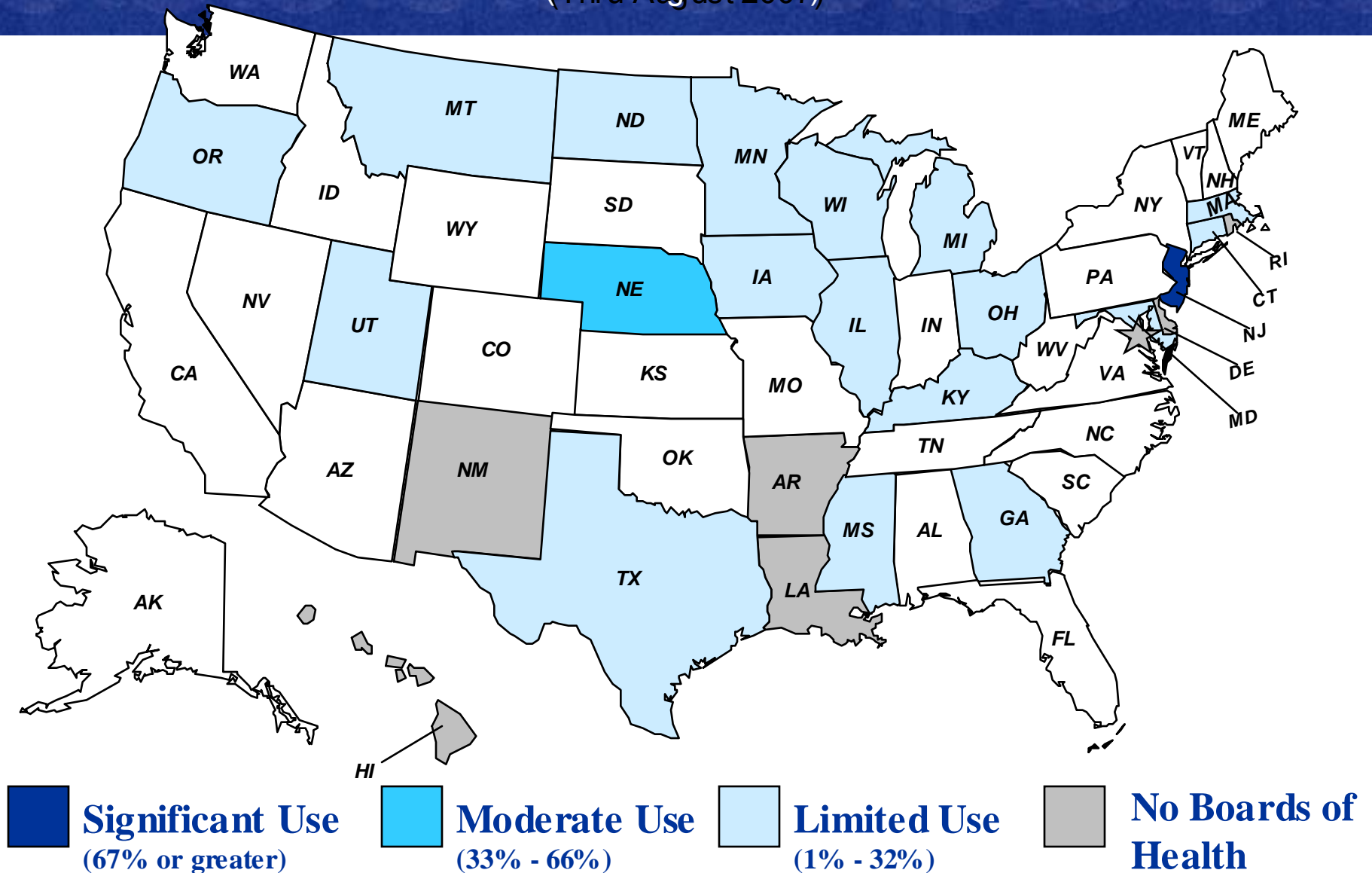
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# NPHPSP Governance Instrument Use

(Thru August 2007)



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# State and Local NPHPSP Evaluations

## Reasons for Using NPHPSP – State and Local

- ▲ Establish a baseline measure of performance
- ▲ Wanted a national developed & recognized assessment tool to help improve performance
- ▲ NPHPSP the best tool available for improving public health system effectiveness

## Results – State and Local

- ▲ Identification of system strengths and weaknesses
- ▲ Stronger awareness of the interconnectedness of public health activities
- ▲ Stronger level of collaboration among system partners



# Today's Panelists

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