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# Agenda

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**“Cross-sector Collaboration Between Local Public Health and Health Care for Obesity Prevention”**

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# Cross-Sector Collaboration between Local Public Health and Health Care for Obesity Prevention



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# Study Team



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# Background



- Locally-oriented prevention measures needed for obesity prevention, especially regarding policy and built environment
- Implementation challenge at local level may be bolstered by strengthening linkages between public health and healthcare:
  - Sharing data and methods for community assessment
  - Fostering local advocates
  - Orient efforts toward underserved

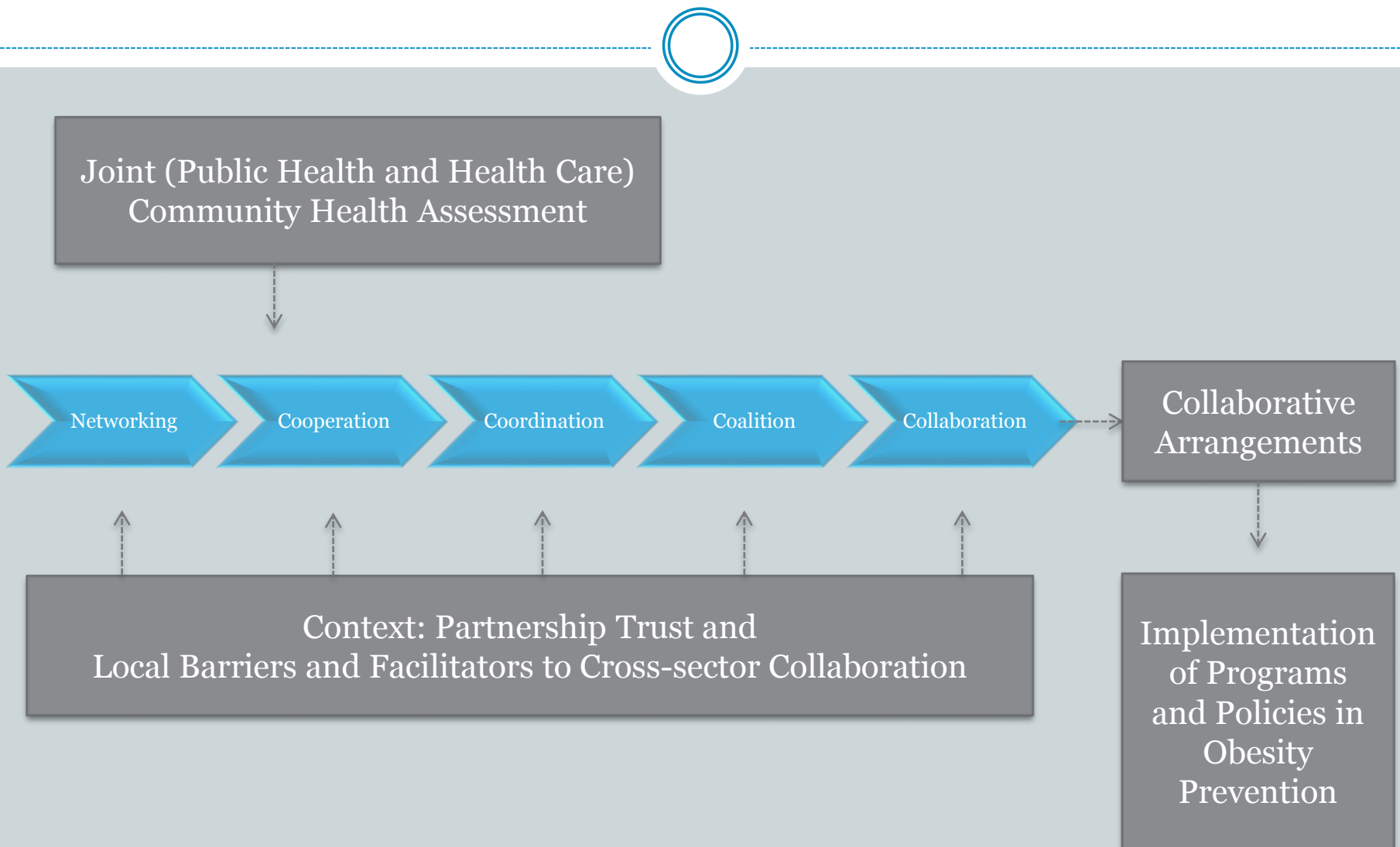
# Background, cont.



- Previous work documenting practitioner perspectives indicated that local leadership on CHA/CHIP was central for prioritizing community efforts for obesity prevention
  - Stamatakis, Lewis, Khoong, LaSee. *Preventing Chronic Disease* 2014; 11:130260.
- Community health assessment as a leverage point for linking local PH & HC sectors
  - ACA requirements provide the context of an additional “push”



# Levels of Cross-Sector Collaboration



# Purpose of Our Study



- **Aim 1: develop measures to describe level of collaboration and related shared practices between local public health and health care organizations in obesity prevention**
  - Develop questionnaire and abstraction tool (e.g., content of plans generated from the community health assessment (CHA))
- **Aim 2: collect baseline data on collaborative practices using the new survey and abstraction tool**
  - Conduct national baseline survey of selected localities (including LHD and partners) that have undertaken a joint CHA
  - Conduct plan abstraction and test-retest study

# Survey Development



- Literature review
- Criteria for selecting measures
- Crafting/revising survey items
- Initial review of survey
- Revision and pilot testing

# Abstraction Tool Development



- Based on survey components
- Several rounds of revision and pilot testing with sample CHIPs
- Coding conducted independently by 2 members of study team

# Measurement Study Analyses



## Survey

- Test-retest reliability
- Face validity
- Reciprocity – agreement between partners

## Abstraction tool

- Inter-rater reliability
- Agreement with similar items on survey

# Methods



- **Screening survey (as of 3/13/15)**
  - Sent to 339 LHDs that completed a previous survey
  - Out of 150 responses, 113 (75.3%) LHDs conducted a joint CHA/CHIP with health care partners within the last 3 years
- **Cross-Sector Collaboration survey**
  - 36 LHDs, 8 hospitals, and 3 others (community collaborative organizations) have completed the survey to-date
  - Data collection is on-going

# Preliminary Results



# Sample Characteristics (n=36)



	Frequency
<b>LHD characteristics</b>	n (%)
Jurisdiction size	
<50,000	15 (42)
50,000-499,999	14 (39)
>500,000	7 (19)
Governance type	
State	4 (11)
Local	24 (67)
Shared	8 (22)
Partnership existed before Affordable Care Act	
Yes	32 (89)
No/Don't know	4 (11)



# Sample Characteristics (cont'd)



LHD respondents...	...regarding Hospital partner n (%)	...regarding Clinic partner n (%)
Belief on working jointly with partners on CHA/CHIP		
Helped initiate partnership	3(8)	2(6)
Strengthened existing partnership	27(75)	20(56)
Weakened existing partnership	0(0)	0(0)
Had no impact	2(6)	9(25)
Other	4(11)	5(14)
Level of satisfaction with partner in conducting joint CHA/CHIP		
Very satisfied	12(33)	8(22)
Satisfied	17(47)	17(47)
Neutral	6(17)	9(25)
Dissatisfied	1(3)	2(6)
Very dissatisfied	0(0)	0(0)

# Levels of Collaboration Index: Frequency distribution



For LHDs, which stage best describes your partnership...?

Stage	LHDs (n=36)	
	...with Hospital Partner	...with Community Clinic Partner
	(%)	
Networking	6	11
Cooperation	14	28
Coordination	39	31
Coalition	17	11
Collaboration	25	19

# Cross-Sector Collaboration Framework



Networking	Cooperation	Coordination	Coalition	Collaboration
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aware of organization</li> <li>• Loosely defined roles</li> <li>• Little communication</li> <li>• All decisions made independently</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide information to each other</li> <li>• Somewhat defined roles</li> <li>• Formal communication</li> <li>• All decisions made independently</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Share information</li> <li>• Defined roles</li> <li>• Frequent communication</li> <li>• Some shared decision making</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Share ideas</li> <li>• Share resources</li> <li>• Frequent and prioritized communication</li> <li>• All members have a vote in decision making</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Members belong to one system</li> <li>• Frequent communication is characterized by mutual trust</li> <li>• Consensus is reached on decisions</li> </ul>

Average Level-Specific Score (H=hospital, C=clinic partner)				
H: 3.4	H: 3.7	H: 3.9	H: 3.5	H: 3.1
C: 3.3	C: 3.5	C: 3.5	C: 3.2	C: 3.0

# Partnership Trust



# Components of Partnership Trust



<b>Partnership Trust Items</b>	<b>Mean Score</b>
Accessible	5.6
Dependable	5.7
Good/clear communication	5.6
Mutual benefit	5.8
Openness/flexibility	5.5
Provides accurate information	6.2
Relationship building	5.4
Responsible	5.9
Shares power/responsibilities	4.8
Supportive	5.7
Truthful	6.1
Values differences	6.1

Scale: 1=not at all...7=very

Partnership Trust Tool adapted from CDC Prevention Research Center

# Community Context



# Community Context



## Top 5 Contextual Factors Reported by LHDs (n=36)

<b>Contextual factors</b>	<b>%</b>
What we are trying to accomplish with our collaborative project would be difficult for any single organization to accomplish by itself.	97
The people in leadership positions for this collaboration have good skills for working with other people and organizations.	92
The people involved in our collaboration represent a cross section of those who have a stake in what we are trying to accomplish.	92
Agencies in our community have a history of working together.	89
People in our collaborative group have established reasonable goals.	83

# Community Context



## Bottom 5 Contextual Factors Reported by LHDs (n=36)

<b>Contextual factors</b>	<b>%</b>
The political and social climate seems to be “right” for starting a collaborative project like this one.	69
This group has the ability to survive even if it had to make major changes in its plans or add some new members in order to reach its goals.	69
People in this collaborative group have a clear sense of their roles and responsibilities.	67
This collaborative group has tried to take on the right amount of work at the right pace.	67
There is a clear process for making decisions among the partners in this collaboration.	61



# Collaborative Arrangements and Implementation for Obesity Prevention



# Implementation: Obesity Prevention



<b>Obesity Prevention Interventions</b>	<b>LHD</b>	
	<b>LHD Leader</b>	<b>Collaborator</b>
<b>Policies and/or changes to built environment</b>		(%)
Access to healthy food choices in neighborhoods, restaurants, or food retailers	22	56
Improve healthy food choices in schools, worksites, or other local facilities	28	50
Improve healthy food choices through nutrition assistance programs	25	39
Increase opportunities for physical activity (e.g., Complete Streets, bike lanes)	25	56
Encourage physical activity in communities, schools, or worksites	42	64
<b>Raising Awareness</b>		
Health education to increase healthy food choices through community-wide efforts and/or directed to children/families	42	58
Health education interventions to increase physical activity with community-wide efforts	22	67
Health education interventions to increase physical activity in schools, worksites, or other local facilities	28	58

# Collaborative Arrangements: Obesity Prevention



Percentage of LHDs That Have Arrangements for Obesity Prevention Interventions

<b>Collaborative Arrangements</b>	<b>Range (%)</b>
Referral	7-14
Co-location	2-6
Purchase of services	3-8
Backbone organization	5-17
Advocate/Collaborate on advocacy for the intervention	13-24
No exchange of resources	0-3

# Next Steps



- Collecting retest data for reliability study
- Data abstraction from CHIP documents
- Expand survey to health care partners identified by LHD respondents
- Analyses
- Dissemination to study participants

## Future uses:

- Natural experiment
- Larger sample
- Rigorous psychometric testing

# Commentary



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Helen W. Wu, PhD, U. California Davis

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**Public Health Services Cost Studies: *Tobacco Prevention and Mandated Public Health Services***

Pauline Thomas, MD, New Jersey Medical School & NJ Public Health PBRN

Nancy Winterbauer, PhD, East Carolina University & NC Public Health PBRN

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Scott Frank, MD, Director, Ohio Research Association for Public Health Improvement

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Laura Hitchcock, JD, Project Manager, Public Health – Seattle & King County

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