

1.0 The Public Health Program

1.4 Organization and Administration. The program shall provide an organizational setting conducive to public health learning, research and service. The organizational setting shall facilitate interdisciplinary communication, cooperation and collaboration that contribute to achieving the program's public health mission. The organizational structure shall effectively support the work of the program's constituents.

***Interpretation.** Organization of the program should enhance the potential for fulfillment of its stated mission and goals. The administrative structure and resources should allow the program to carry out its instructional, research and service functions. The environment must be characterized by commitment to the integrity of the institution, including high ethical standards in operations, equity in its dealings with all constituents, support for the pursuit and dissemination of knowledge and accountability to its constituencies. The environment should create an interdisciplinary public health community that fosters learning, research and service.*

Required Documentation. The self-study document should include the following:

- a. One or more organizational charts delineating the administrative organization of the program, indicating relationships among its internal components.
- b. Description of the manner in which interdisciplinary coordination, cooperation and collaboration occur and support public health learning, research and service.
- c. Assessment of the extent to which this criterion is met and an analysis of the program's strengths, weaknesses and plans relating to this criterion.