

Public Health Infrastructure Grant (PHIG) Year 1 Workplan Analysis – Memo #2

Strategies A1 & A2: “Other” & “None” milestones



This memo summarizes the analysis of milestone activities that PHIG recipients did not categorize into one of the thirteen pre-existing activity foci when they submitted their workplans for Year 1

CDC's Public Health Infrastructure Grant (PHIG) aims to strengthen the public health workforce and infrastructure across the nation. The PHIG recipients comprise health departments from all 50 states, 26 counties, 23 cities, and 8 US territories/freely associated states. The 107 workplans they submitted for Year 1 included **6,469 milestone activities** for two of the three PHIG strategies: A1) Workforce and A2) Foundational Capabilities.



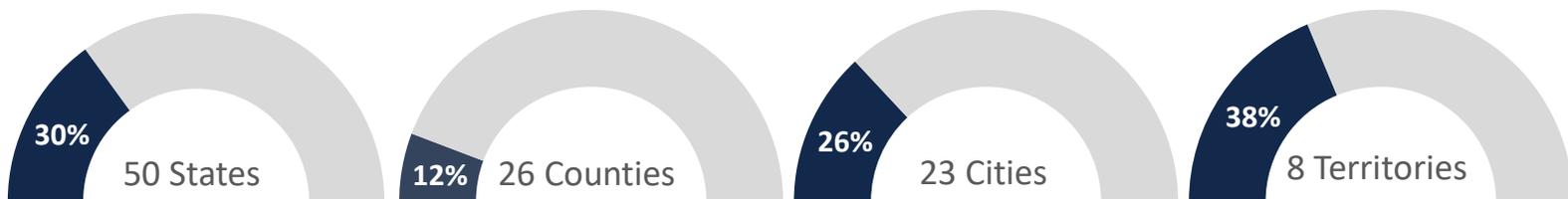
Data Insights

Of the 257 milestones that PHIG recipients listed as having “No” or “Other Activity Focus”, **91% were recategorized** into one of the existing subcomponents. The insights from this report can inform recommendations to help streamline future analyses.

- ❖ PHIG recipients and their Project Officers would benefit from a **standardized way to submit milestones** with defined, mutually exclusive Activity Foci to align their planned work with the Foundational Public Health Services (FPHS) framework.
- ❖ One “Other” milestone that emerged in recipients’ workplans included, **“project monitoring and reporting”** to meet grant deliverables.

Rationale:

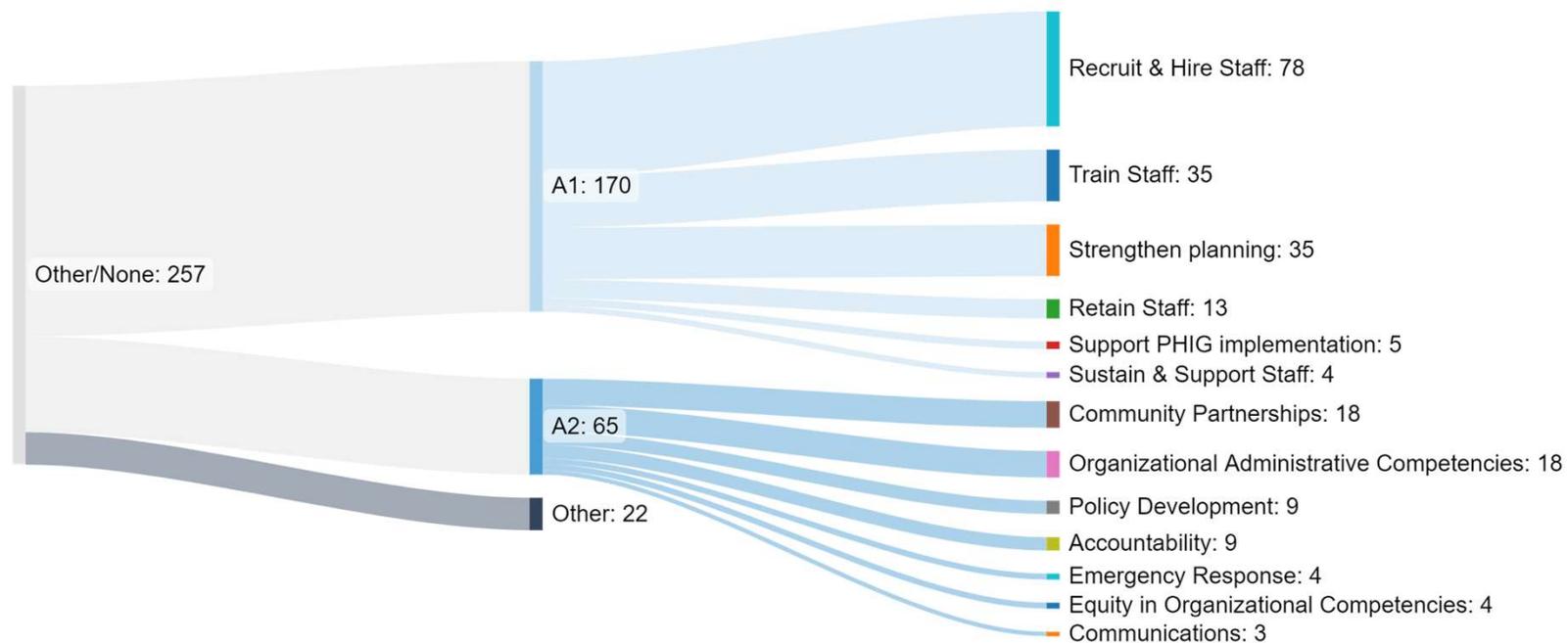
- Many of the 257 milestones with “No/Other Activity Focus” seem to fit under one of the thirteen existing Activity Foci.
- Reviewing these milestones first allowed us to recategorize them to facilitate the in-depth content analysis.
- Reviewing the “No/Other Activity Focus” helped us identify activities that are relevant to PHIG recipients' work but may not be captured by these pre-determined foci.*



These 257 milestones with "Other" or "No Activity Focus" represent 25% (n=27) of the 107 workplans.

- States and Territories were most likely to select these categories.
- Some PHIG recipients duplicated activities to list them in multiple Activity Foci.
- Some recipients listed multiple, distinct activities within one milestone. The team split such milestones, adding a number of milestones to our total.

Activity Foci for strategies A1: Workforce & A2: Foundational Capabilities



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Only 22 (or 9%) of the 257 "Other" milestones and milestones with "No/Other Activity Focus" did not fit within the definitions of one of the thirteen existing Activity Foci.*

Code (n = 22)	Operational Definition	Example Activities
Project Tracking & Evaluation	Activities to develop deliverables, collect information, analyze data, etc. as related to monitoring, tracking, assessing, and/or evaluating projects within the Foundational Areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitoring, tracking, assessing, etc. metrics and results related to projects Data entry related to metrics that assess projects Developing reports, coordinating reporting processes, etc. for projects

Example Milestones

"Develop novel reports using PowerBuilder and business logic within R/SAS for the reporting of environmental contaminants"

"Lessons learned for development and implementation of future projects"

"Monitoring and providing project feedback on an ongoing, periodic basis"

*PHNCI & PHAB's operational definitions for each Foundational Capability informed the team's codebook, but we inductively sorted activities from the data that may not align with the CDC's example milestones for each Activity Focus.

For more information about this grant:

<https://www.cdc.gov/infrastructure/phig/index.html>

Questions?

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